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# FFY 2019 Federal Bus Replacement Discretionary Funding



# Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program

- Purpose: Federal Transit Administration (FTA) program to assist in the financing of buses and bus facility capital projects, including replacing, rehabilitating, purchasing or leasing buses or related equipment, and rehabilitating, purchasing, constructing or leasing bus-related facilities
- Eligible Applicants: Designated recipients that allocate funds to fixed route bus operators, states, local governmental authorities that operate fixed route bus service, Native American tribes

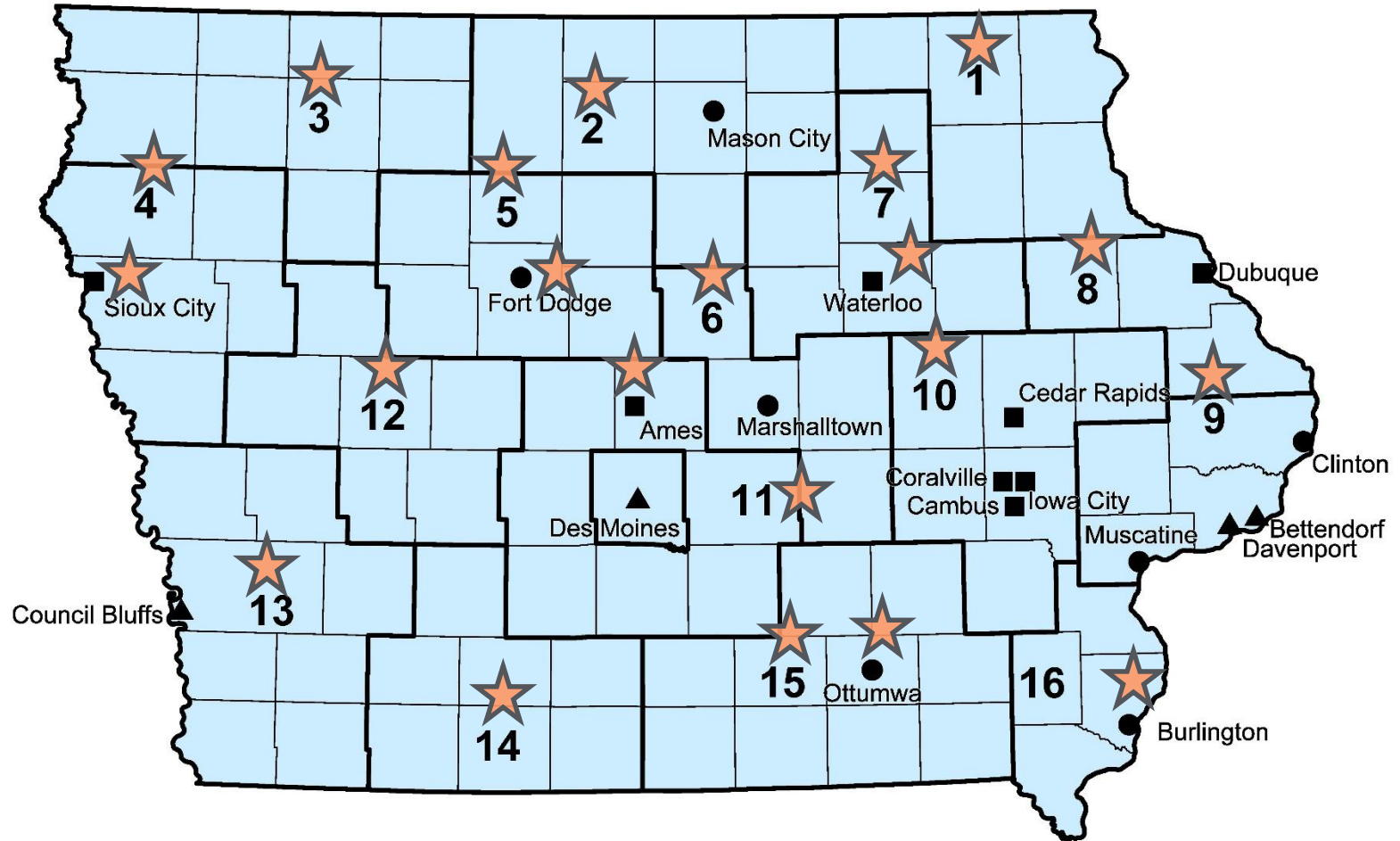
# Project Evaluation Criteria

- Demonstration of need for capital investment in bus vehicles and/or supporting facilities
- Demonstration of benefit for how the project will improve transit system condition, service reliability, and enhance access and mobility
- Demonstration of how the project is consistent with transit priorities identified in the long range plan
- Local financial commitment
- Project implementation strategy
- Demonstration of technical, legal and financial capacity to undertake the project

# Available Funding and Funding Recommendation

- **Available funding**
  - \$423 million offered in FFY 2019
  - 318 project submitted nationwide totaling approximately \$1.9 billion in funding requests
  - 94 projects funded nationwide averaging \$4.5 million each
  - Iowa DOT awarded \$9.4 million
- **Funding recommendation**
  - Replace 107 of the oldest vehicles operating beyond their federal useful life at 21 public transit agencies
  - Utilized Public Transit Management System process
    - Points awarded based on age and mileage
    - Prioritize highest points down

# Transit System Vehicle Replacements



- ▲ 4 Transit Systems in urbanized areas > 200,000 population
- 8 Transit Systems in urbanized areas 50,000 to 200,000 population
- 7 Transit Systems in small urban areas < 50,000 population
- ★ 16 Regional Transit Systems



QUESTIONS?



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