



# FY28 UNIFIED GRANT APPLICATION OVERVIEW

NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (IMD) has revised the FY28 Unified Grant Application (UGA) based on your feedback with the same goal: to simplify, streamline, and modernize the process by which applicants apply for state-administered transit funds. Training will be held in March 2026 and Regional Grant Specialists are available for additional guidance throughout the process.

The UGA is organized according to three phases: 1) Pre-Application, 2) Application, and 3) Contracting & Compliance.



## What's New to FY28

- Applicant Profile Form added to Phase 2
- Updated EEO, Financial Health Statements and DBE/MBE/WBE/EEO references.
- Propane Conversion kits added under new separate G-code.
- Public Hearing is no longer required.
- 5311 Designee Certification is due for FY28 if applying for Section 5311.
- 5311 Admin marketing fee requirement of 2% is added back to G371 and G372.
- Internship/Apprentice Program information added in Parts 1.3 & 2.2
- Salary & Wage Detail Report instructions have been added to the UGA Guidance.
- Application submission workspaces are now accessible through a Smartsheet grid.
- Fully Allocated Cost & Cost Allocation and Unified Certification Program - **TBD**
- FY29 Future Capital Needs Request removed.
- Sample application sets and available and the fax number fields are removed.
- FTA Circulars updated & vehicle insurance cap. reinstated to \$4,000

## Benefits for Applicants



Simplifies the application process by integrating nearly all IMD grant programs into a single process.



Streamlines the application process by combining background information, program eligibility, eligible expenditures, and application steps into a single document.



Modernizes the application process using Smartsheet forms and DocuSign.

## Key Dates

The application window opens **April 1, 2026** and applications are due **October 2, 2026**.

DATES	TASK/EVENT
April 1, 2026	Grant Application Package Distributed
April 1 – October 2, 2026	Regional Grant Specialists Available to Assist Grantees with Questions
June 5, 2026	Pre-Application Due to NCDOT
July 1, 2026	Program Applications in EBS Open
October 2, 2026	Program Applications in EBS Due to NCDOT
October – December 2026	Grant Application Review Process
January – April 2027	IMD makes funding recommendation to NCDOT Board of Transportation
February – June 2027	FTA grant review and award for federal funding
July 1, 2027	Effective date of one-year grant agreement

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