

Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency

2024 Riley County Appropriation Request

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Darrell Edie, Budget & Finance Officer
110 Courthouse Plaza
Manhattan, KS 66502

Dear Mr. Edie:

Enclosed please find the 2024 Riley County appropriations request from the Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency Inc (FHATA). Our 2023 award from Riley County is \$100,000 plus \$20,000 allocated from Public Works. Due to the continued impact of inflation and stagnant growth in local match funding, we are requesting in our 2024 award, an increase in funding of \$50,000. Our total 2024 budget request is \$170,000. Enclosed please review in detail our request.

On behalf of the FHATA Inc Board and staff I would like to express our gratitude for the support that Riley County has provided to this agency.

If you have any questions or need any additional information please let me know.

Sincerely,

Anne Smith
Executive Director
Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency Inc



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About Us

The Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency is a 501c3 private non-profit organization, founded in 1976 and the Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency Board. Each organization has a separate governing board, however they are operated as one entity and managed by the same organizational chart. The reference FHATA represents Flint Hills Area Transportation Agency which includes both entities.

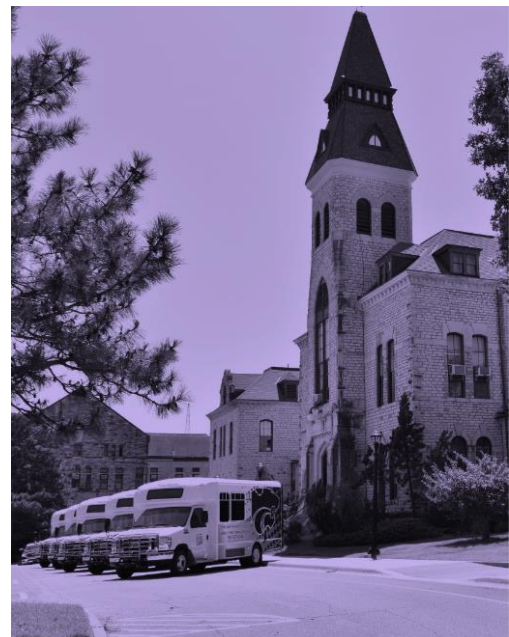
Our Vision and Mission



Vision: We believe in empowering people and connecting communities

Mission: Provide and promote the highest quality transit services to the Flint Hills communities.

Public Service Mission: Build stronger communities and promote equality and opportunity.



FHATA uses local funding primarily from the City of Manhattan, Riley County, Kansas State University, United Way, and local businesses to leverage Federal funding under the Federal Transit Administration's 49 U.S.C. § 5307 Program. **This has allowed the citizens of Riley County to leverage its funding to aTa Bus by obtaining a manifold increase of Federal and State Funds for every dollar spent by Manhattan.** Section 5307 funding reimburses the FHATA for up to 50% of our operating expenses and FTA pays for 80% of the cost of new vehicles. KDOT also provides funding up to 20% of the local match requirements and also 10% in administrative assistance.

THE RESIDENTS OF RILEY COUNTY CLEARLY SEE MORE THAN A TWO DOLLAR BENEFIT FOR EVERY SINGLE DOLLAR INVESTS IN aTa Bus!