



**LANtaBus and LANtaVan  
PROPOSED PROGRAM OF PROJECTS  
Federal Fiscal Year FY 2023**

- A. LANtaBus is the name of the fixed-route, public transportation system operated by LANTA. The Authority plans to continue LANtaBus services at current levels. The LANtaBus system continues to operate with emergency multi-ride fare discounts. The FY 2023 operating budget for the LANtaBus system includes a fare restoration strategy to address these discounts.
- B. LANtaVan is the name of the Authority's division which arranges transportation services for people with disabilities in the LANtaVan service area who are unable to use regular, fixed route transit services. The Authority has no plans for a fare increase or fare restructuring for LANtaVan services in FY 2023.
- C. Funds for the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2023 Program of Projects will be sought through Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula funding programs Section 5307/5340 Urbanized Area Formula Funds, Section 5339 Buses and Bus Facilities Formula Funds of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) in the amount of \$8.897 million as apportioned to the Allentown-Bethlehem-Easton, PA; Phillipsburg, NJ urbanized area (PA portion) for transit projects through FFY 2023. Approximately \$960,000 of funding under the Federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) program and approximately \$700,000 of funding under the Federal Section 5310 program is also being sought. Matching funds are provided through the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as well as through Lehigh and Northampton Counties, Pennsylvania for a total program budget of \$13.54 million. The FFY 2023 Program of Projects is described below. Line items will be funded through a combination of the sources noted above:

Project	Total	Federal
<b>Bus Rolling Stock</b>	<b>4,925,000</b>	<b>3,596,000</b>
Nine (9) Replacement Buses	3,442,500	2,754,000
Associated Capital Maintenance Items	112,500	90,000
Replacement Paratransit Vehicles (LANtaVan)	1,374,750	700,000
Replacement Non-Revenue Service Vehicles	65,000	52,000
<b>OTHER CAPITAL ITEMS</b>	<b>7,376,375</b>	<b>5,901,100</b>
Preventive Maintenance – Vehicles & Facilities	6,375,000	5,100,000
ADA Paratransit Service Capitalization	1,001,375	801,100
<b>Bus Support Equipment and Facilities</b>	<b>800,000</b>	<b>640,000</b>
Facility Improvements and Equipment	600,000	480,000
Signs, Shelters & Enhancements	200,000	160,000
<b>ITS &amp; Other Security</b>	<b>795,125</b>	<b>420,100</b>
FY2023 Safety Plan Projects	75,125	60,100
Facility Security Contractor	720,000	360,000
	<b>13,536,500</b>	<b>10,557,200</b>

- D. There will be no significant environmental impacts; the projects are in conformance with the guidelines of the Clean Air Act of 1990.
- E. The items being presented at the hearing have been approved by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO): the Lehigh Valley Transportation Study, (LVTS), and are part of the certified Transportation Improvement Program for the Lehigh Valley. The project conforms to comprehensive land use and transportation planning within Lehigh and Northampton Counties. Through the MPO, Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) funds are being sought to underwrite the cost of capital projects.
- F. This project is necessary for the general welfare of the elderly and people with disabilities and transportation schedules have been and will continue to be developed to generally service areas where such persons reside. The project will also be used to continue a coordinated specialized paratransit system designed to provide service to semi ambulatory persons and those confined to wheelchairs to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA).

Senior citizens 65 years of age or older ride public transit free of charge. People with disabilities, certified as eligible, ride LANTaBus for one half the cash fare. LANTA also has other discount fare programs for frequent riders as well as people with mobility-related disabilities.

A copy of the Proposed Program of Projects and the Transit Element of the Transportation Improvement Program for the Lehigh Valley is available at [lantabus.com/public-notice/](http://lantabus.com/public-notice/) and can be sent to any member of the public upon request. To request a copy of these documents, please call 610-253-8333, write to LANTA, Rider Resources Department, 60 West Broad Street, Suite 100 Bethlehem, PA 18018; or email [customerservice@lantabus.com](mailto:customerservice@lantabus.com). This material can be made available to persons with disabilities in alternative medium upon request.

If any member of the public would like to comment on the program of projects as shown, comments must be received in writing by Friday May 27, 2022 to be considered by the LANTA's Board of Directors prior to adopting the FFY 2023 program of projects as presented. Comments can be submitted by email at [customerservice@lantabus.com](mailto:customerservice@lantabus.com), by mail at LANTA, 1060 Lehigh Street, Allentown, PA 18103 Attn: Executive Director; or by calling 610-435-4517. The LANTA Board of Directors will consider the proposed program for approval at its regularly scheduled meeting on June 14, 2022.

***If no substantial changes are adopted by the LANTA Board as a result of a review of the information gathered through this public comment period, the program of projects will be implemented as outlined here, a second public notice will not be issued, and the program shown will be final.***