



Ohio Diesel Emission Reduction Grant Program New Grant Awards Fall 2016

From the October 2016 application cycle, the review committee of ODOT and Ohio EPA representatives reviewed 52 applications requesting more than \$25 million. Based on the total cost-effectiveness of the proposed projects in reducing diesel emissions, the following 30 grants are awarded for a total of \$12,816,057.55. Ohio EPA estimates that these projects will achieve an estimated annual emission reduction of more than 137 tons of air pollutants (fine particulates and nitrogen oxides) in Ohio counties that do not meet or are struggling to meet federal air quality standards. These emission reduction benefits will compound every year that these fleets remain in service. These grants are supported with federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds allocated to Ohio by the Federal Highway Administration, which must issue a formal eligibility determination for each project.

School Bus projects funded:

Black River Local School District, Lorain and Medina Counties, \$71,360.00 to replace one model year 2002 diesel powered school bus with one new diesel powered school bus, #D17F-005. Contact: Chris Clark, cclark@blackriver.k12.oh.us, 419-736-3300.

Champion Local School District, Trumbull County, \$79,841.52 to replace two model year 1999 diesel powered school buses with two new diesel powered school buses, #D17F-019. Contact: Mark Harper, mark.harper@neomin.org, 330-847-2399.

Elmwood Local School District, Wood County, \$214,720.20 to replace three model year 2002-2005 diesel powered school buses with three new propane-powered school buses, #D17F-038. Contact: Tony Borton, bortt@elmwoodschoools.org, 419-655-2583.

Forest Hills Local School District, Hamilton County, \$491,920.00 to replace eleven model year 1998-2000 diesel-powered school buses with eleven new propane-powered school buses, #D17F-040. Contact: Richard Porter, richardporter@oresthills.edu, 513-231-3335.

Kirtland Local School District, Lake County, \$225,633.20 to replace four model year 1995-2002 diesel powered school buses with four new diesel powered school buses,

#D17F-045. Contact: Sheila Dikowicz, Sheila.dikowicz@kirtlandschools.org, 440-256-3311 ext. 1012.

National Express, LLC, Butler, Clermont, Franklin, Hamilton, Montgomery, Summit and Warren Counties, \$986,575.00 for the engine components to replace 50 model year 1998-2001 diesel powered school buses with 50 new diesel powered school buses, #D17F-037. Ohio EPA is serving as the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Keshav Ragunathan, Keshav.Ragunathan@nellc.com, 630-821-5343.

North Canton City School District, Stark County, \$305,501.00 to replace five model year 2000-2003 diesel powered school buses with five new propane powered school buses, #D17F-032. Contact: Debra Dalton, daltond@northcantonschools.org, 330-497-5615.

North Royalton City School District, Cuyahoga County, \$178,418.00 to replace four model year 2005 diesel powered school buses with four new diesel powered school buses, #D17F-015. Contact: Jon Capadona, jon.capadona@northroyaltonsd.org, 440-582-9054.

Northwest Local School District, with Fairless and Tuslaw Local School Districts, Stark County, \$703,404.80 to replace 12 model year 1996-2003 diesel powered school buses with eight new diesel powered school buses and four new propane powered school buses, #D17F-049. Contact: Raymond Gesaman, Gesaman.r@northwest.sparcc.org, 330-854-3301.

South-Western City School District, Franklin County, \$902,131.02 to replace 21 model years 2002-2004 diesel powered school buses with 21 new diesel powered school buses, #D17F-028. Contact: David Stewart, David.Stewart@swcsd.us, 614-801-3000.

Southwest Local School District, Hamilton County, \$297,993.60 to replace four model year 1999-2004 diesel powered school buses with four new diesel powered school buses, #D17F-041. Contact: Brian Rabe, brian.rabe@southwestschools.org, 513-728-8411.

Washington Local School District, Lucas County, \$53,667.81 to replace one model year 2004 diesel powered school bus with one new diesel powered school bus, #D17F-020. Contact: John Bettis, jbettis@wls4kids.org, 419-473-8249.

Transit Bus projects funded:

Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA), Franklin County, \$813,568.00 to replace two model year 2004 diesel powered transit buses with two new CNG powered transit buses, #D17F-017. Contact: Lee Jackson, JacksonCL@cota.com or 614-308-4234.

Delaware Area Transit Board, Delaware County, \$357,606.86 to replace one model year 1999 diesel powered transit bus with one new diesel powered transit bus, #D17F-034. Contact: Dennis Schooley, Dennyschooley@ridedata.com, 740-363-3355.

Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (GCRTA), Cuyahoga County, \$776,909.84 to replace two model year 2003 diesel powered transit buses with two new CNG powered transit buses, #D17F-010. Contact: Ronald Baron, rbaron@gcrtc.org, 216-566-5101.

Greater Dayton Regional Transit Authority (GDRTA), Montgomery County, \$641,757.00 to replace two model year 2003 diesel powered transit buses with two new diesel powered transit buses, #D17F-006. Contact: Robert Ruzinsky, bruzinsky@greaterdaytonrta.org or 937-425-8360.

Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA), Hamilton County, \$373,851.20 to replace one model year 2001 diesel powered transit bus with one new diesel powered transit bus, #D17F-024. Contact: Jack Wilson, jwilson@go-metro.com or 513-632-7514.

Stark Area Regional Transit Authority (SARTA), Stark County, \$375,000.00 partial funding to replace one model year 2002 diesel powered transit bus with one new hydrogen powered transit bus, #D17F-008. Contact: Julie Juszli, juliej3@sartaonline.com or 330-430-2275.

Western Reserve Transit Authority (WRTA), Mahoning County, \$662,365.08 to replace two model year 2000-2001 diesel powered transit buses with two new diesel powered transit buses, #D17F-014. Contact: Matthew Kotanchek, mkotanchek@wrtaonline.com or 330-941-5762.

Other projects funded:

Bellaire Harbor Service Inc., Belmont County, \$367,275.00 to replace two 1973 diesel powered propulsion engines in a tug boat with two new diesel powered propulsion engines, #D17F-021. The Belmont County Port Authority is serving as the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Robert Harrison, bob@bellaireharbor.com or 740-676-4305.

Bridges Bros. Trucking LLC, Delaware, Franklin and Licking Counties, \$195,401.60 for engine components to replace seven class 8 model year 1991-2004 diesel powered trucks with seven new class 8 diesel powered trucks, #D17F-052. The Ohio Air Quality Development Authority is serving as the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Michael Bridges, way2bridges@yahoo.com or 614-253-7332.

Dayton Freight Lines Inc., Butler, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Lake, Montgomery, Portage and Wood Counties, \$455,578.16 for engine components to replace 15 class 8 model years 2000-2004 diesel powered trucks with new diesel powered trucks, #D17F-031. Ohio EPA is serving as the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Thomas L. Cronin, III, TCroninIII@daytonfreight.com, 937-264-4060.

Johnson Trucking LLC, Lucas and Wood Counties, \$177,238.88 for engine components to replace four class 8 model year 1994-2000 diesel powered service/dump trucks with four new class 8 diesel-powered trucks, #D17F-050. Fulton County Economic Development Corporation is serving as the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Brandon Johnson, johnsontrucking@att.net, 419-392-8416.

Licking County Commissioners, Licking County, \$177,603.23 to replace two class 8 model year 1985 and 1990 diesel powered service trucks with two new class 8 diesel powered trucks, #D17F-033. Contact: Jared Knerr, jknerr@lcounty.com, 740-670-5280.

City of Newark, Licking County, \$116,056.00 to replace two class 7 model year 1990 and 1993 diesel powered service/dump trucks with two new class 7 diesel powered service/dump trucks, #D17F-004. Contact: Ralph Prince, rprince@newarkohio.net or 740-670-7731.

Norfolk Southern, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Lorain and Lucas Counties, \$987,000.00 to install 12 plug-in power crane electric layover heating systems for 35 locomotives operating at five rail yards in the Cleveland, Columbus and Toledo metropolitan areas, #D17F-001. Ohio Rail Development Commission is serving as the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Ted Stewart, ted.stewart@nscorp.com, 904-891-9328.

Perry Township Road Department, Stark County, \$84,461.55 to replace four vehicles (3 class 8a model year 1988-1996 dump trucks and 1 class 8 model year 1992 service truck) with 1 new class 8 diesel truck and 1 new class 5 diesel utility truck, #D17F-016. Contact: John Masalko, jmasalko@perrytwp.com, 330-832-7750.

Rumpke Transportation Company LLC, Butler, Clark, Delaware, Fairfield, Greene, Hamilton, Licking, Montgomery and Warren Counties, \$800,005.50 for engine components to replace 35 class 7 and 8 model year 1999-2000 diesel powered refuse trucks with 35 new CNG powered refuse trucks, #D17F-029. Ohio EPA is serving as

the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Jeff Lay, Jeffery.Lay@rumpke.com, 513-851-0122 ext. 3529.

SmithFoods Trucking Inc., Cuyahoga, Delaware, Fairfield, Franklin, Geauga, Knox, Lake, Licking and Lorain Counties, \$402,138.00 for engine components to replace 12 class 8 model year 1996-2005 diesel powered trucks with 12 used model year 2012 CNG trucks, #D17F-013. Ohio EPA is serving as the Public Sponsor for this project. Contact: Chuck Diehl, ChuckDiehl@SmithFoods.com, 330-684-6586.

Wood County Engineer, with Jackson, Liberty and Montgomery Townships, Wood County, \$541,075.50 to replace six class 8 model year 1995-2003 diesel powered service/dump trucks with six new class 8 diesel powered service/dump trucks, #D17F-026. Contact: Dave Casey, dcasey@co.wood.oh.us, 419-354-9071.

The next DERG grant application deadline is expected to be in the fall of 2017. The Request for Proposals will be posted at <http://epa.ohio.gov/oe/EnvironmentalEducation.aspx#131364252-diesel-emissionreduction-grants> .

For more information on Ohio's Diesel Emission Reduction Grants and to be placed on Ohio EPA's Interested Party list, contact:

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