

Grant Opportunity for HCBS Agency Providers: One-Time Grant Application for Agency Vehicle Purchase and Modification!

DHHS is offering an opportunity for providers of Medicaid Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Waivers to purchase or modify a vehicle.

The Details

DHHS is offering mini-grants to strengthen HCBS agency providers and their ability to support the transportation needs of their participants and staff. These grants will expand access to the community for participants receiving waiver services. **The grant is designed for an agency provider to expand its current capacity to provide safe and reliable transportation for participants.** The vehicle must be used for agency purposes only.

These payments are one-time for agency providers of HCBS Waiver services. Grants can provide:

- Up to \$25,000 for the purchase of a new agency vehicle without modifications OR
- Up to \$50,000 to use for vehicle modifications on current vehicle(s) or used toward the purchase of a new accessible vehicle.

All new vehicles must be purchased from dealerships located in Nebraska. All vehicles must be registered in Nebraska upon purchase or modification. Approved providers must submit their bill of sale within 45 days of purchase and will receive payment from DHHS within 30 days.

How to Apply

HCBS providers must submit an application form, including a statement of the agency's need for the purchase of a new vehicle or modification of an existing vehicle, directly tied to participant access and support.

Applications will be accepted from February 9 through March 8, 2024.

Grant funding is available through Section 9817 of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021. The total amount available for the mini-grants is limited. Applications will be processed by the date received and the requested amount may be limited due to available funds.

Upon approval of the Pre-Purchase Application, providers will have six months to complete the purchase of a vehicle. After the vehicle is purchased, providers have 45 calendar days to submit proof of sale, insurance, and registration. DHHS will communicate any provider payment notices, status updates, or follow-up information requests within 30 days of submission.



Use grant funds
to pay for
purchasing or
modifying an
agency vehicle.