### SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of Public Transit

## Grants Management System (GMS) User Guide

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### Chapter 1: User Accounts

### **User Accounts**

### **Create User Accounts**

Your user id from VTe sites will be required to access Grants Management System (GMS). If you are a new user and have never used Office of public Transit VTe forms, you will need to submit a request to create user id for SCDOT using "Signature of Authorization" form. Please click on the following link in order to submit "Signature of Authorization" form:

http://info2.scdot.org/OPTInternet/SitePages/Home.aspx

### **Login Procedure**

If you are a new user and have already received your credentials (username and password) via email after submitting the Signature of Authorization Form (SAF) required by the Office of Public Transit (OPT), you are now set to access the Virtual Transit e-Forms (VTe) site. Follow the steps as outlined below to access the system.

- 1. Click on following link: http://sp.scdot.org/OPT/
- 2. You will see a login prompt like the one shown in below requesting you for your login credentials to the site. This prompt is where you will enter the username and password you were issued by the Office of Public Transit (OPT) after your agency registered using Signature of Authorization Form (SAF). Enter your username and password then click the OK button to login to the VTe site.



### 3. After submitting your login credentials, the Office of Public Transit Home page will be displayed as shown in figure below:



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### Vision

Public Transit, Connecting people and places through multiple-passenger, land or water-based means, will contribute to the state's contir economic growth through a dedicated and sound investment approach as a viable mobility option accessible to all South Carolina resider visitors.

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### Chapter 2: Annual Application for Funding

### **Annual Application for Funding**

### Introduction

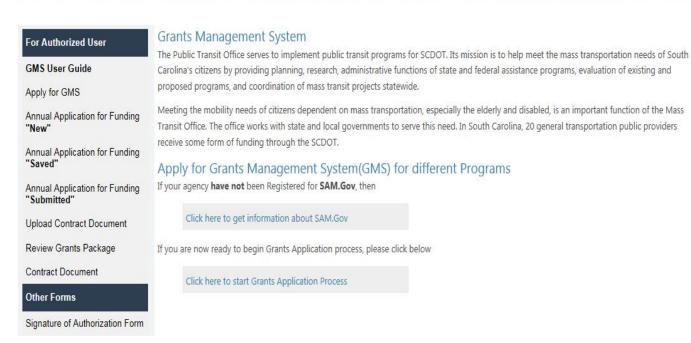
Grants Management system consists of three main parts:

- 1. Certifications and Assurances
- 2. Annual Application for Funding
- 3. Budget Documents

Annual Application for funding can be submitted for following programs: 5311; SMTF; Once you successfully signed into the Office of Public Transit (OPT) website, please click on **Grants Management System** as shown in figure above.

Once you click on the link you will see following page. On the left-hand side, you will see different option as shown:





### **Instructions for Submitting Annual Application for Funding**

Please follow following procedure in order to successfully complete and submit Annual Application for Funding

- 1. Click below link and sign in using your scdotdmz account. Link: http://sp.scdot.org/OPT/SitePages/GMSHome.aspx
- 2. Click on "Submit Annual Application For Funding" as shown:



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Annual Application for Funding "New"

Annual Application for Funding "Saved"

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If your agency have not been Registered for SAM.Gov, then

Click here to get information about SAM.Gov

If you are now ready to begin Grants Application process, please click below

Click here to start Grants Application Process

3. Select the State Fiscal Year from the drop down list as shown in figure.



### ANNUAL 5311 APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

AGENCY NAME:	Jones County Disabilities and Special Needs Board	
STATE FISCAL YEAR:	Select	*
APPLICATION FOR	t:	
	(Section 5311 with matching SMTF) ds (Match for 5307 or Other project- no federal funds)	
	Cancel Next >>	

4. Follow the procedure along the application by clicking "Next".

### Saving/Submitting the application

In order to save the Annual Application for funding and retrieve it in future, please follow following procedure:

1. Click on save as shown in figure:

Agency Legal Name	llones County	Disabilities and Special Needs Board	×
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Federal Tax ID Number:	00-0000000		
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SCEIS Vendor ID:			
Congressional District:			
COG Region (all			
applicants):			
MPO Region (urban			
applicants):			
Web Site Address (if			
available):			
Board Chair's Name:			
Authorized Official's Name:			
Title:			
E-mail:			
Administration Physical Address:	955 Park Stre	et Columbia 10 29201	
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☐ Public Non-l	Profit		
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community			
Other Agenc	v (Specify)		
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### 2. You will get a prompt like this:

### Do you want to save the form?



Click yes. Note: Saving your annual application for funding allows you to save all your entered values and come back and finish.

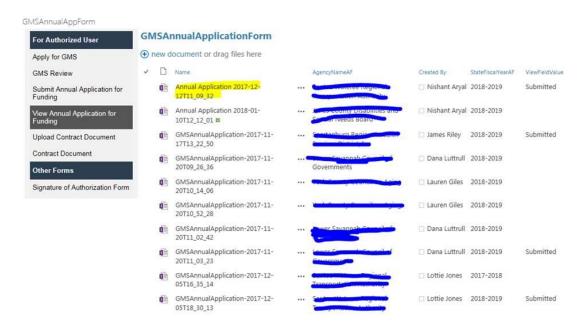
"Saving" will not submit it to Office of Public Transit.

- 3. In order to come back to the form and submit it to OPT, click on this link: http://sp.scdot.org/OPT/SitePages/GMSHome.aspx
- 4. Click on "View Annual Application for Funding", here you will see all your saved annual application for funding. You will also find your submitted annual application for funding.

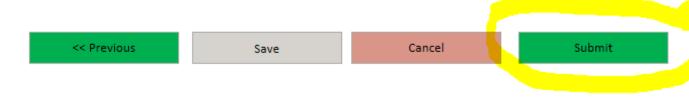




5. Then click the first Annual Application shown in the list as:



- 6. Unless you see "Submitted" on the right hand side, your Annual Application funding has not been submitted.
- 7. You have to click on submit at the last part of the form.



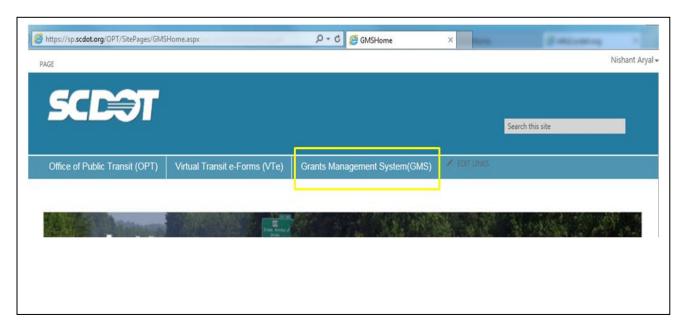
### Chapter 3: Grants Package

### **Certifications & Assurance and Budget Sheet**

### **Instructions**

You should have submitted "Annual Application for Funding" for either 5311 or SMTF before you can submit your grants package. Once you have submitted "Annual Application for Funding", please follow the procedure below to successfully submit Grants Package to Office of Public Transit:

- a) Sign into Office of Public Transit Website with the scdot issued user accounts.
- b) Click on the "Grants Management System (GMS)" from the top navigation as shown in figure:



c) On the left hand side, click on "Apply for GMS" as shown:







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### d) Click on 'Apply for GMS' from left hand side menu as shown





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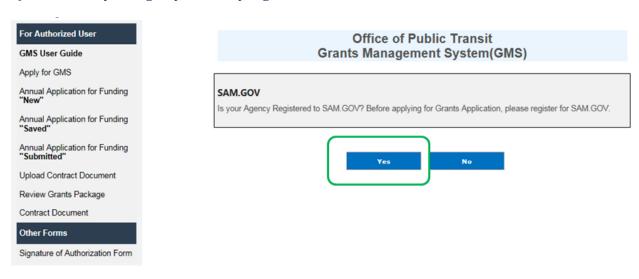
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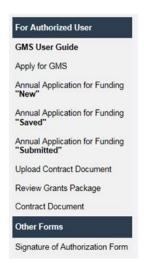
e) Click 'Yes' if your Agency is already registered to SAM.GOV.



f) Select Program from the drop down list. You could either select '5311' or 'SMTF'

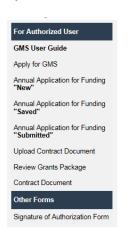


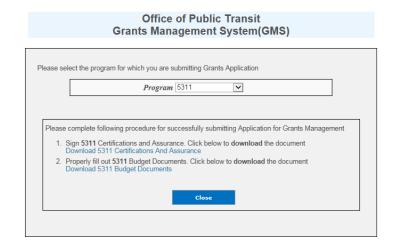
g) Based on the program selected, you will have options to download "Certifications and Assurances" and "Budget Document".



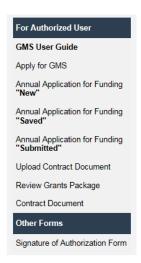
# Office of Public Transit Grants Management System(GMS) Please select the program for which you are submitting Grants Application Program 5311 Have you prepared Certifications & Assurances and Budget Sheets for 5311?

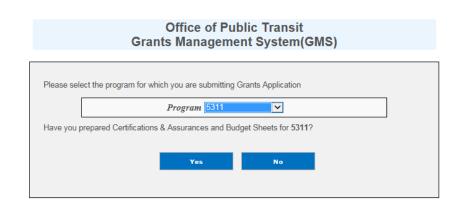
### h) Click on "No".



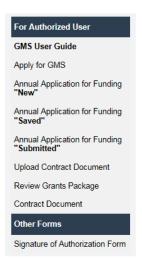


- i) Once you have downloaded the documents, you can have it ready to upload.
- j) In order to upload the "Certifications and Assurances" and "Budget Sheets", please follow procedure a) to g) mentioned above.
- k) Click "Yes" as shown below:



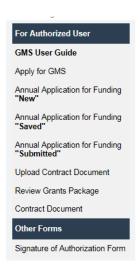


### l) Select State Fiscal Year and Click Next:



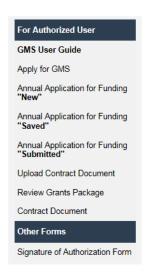


m) If you have not submitted "Annual Application for Funding", then this screen will not let you proceed until you submit it.



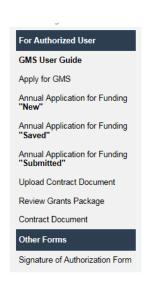


n) If you have already submitted annual application for funding, then you will see screen like below. Click next:





- o) Browse to the completed and signed certifications and assurance file and budge sheet and upload it. Hit "Submit' after you are done.
- p) You will see a confirmation message like below. OPT will then process your grants package.



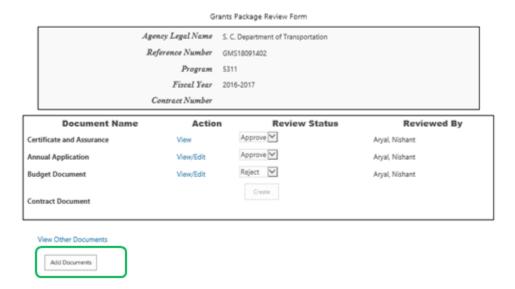


The above screen confirms that your grants package submission was successful. Office of Public Transit will review all the applications.

### **Budget Sheet Reject**

When your budget sheet is rejected by Office of Public Transit, you will receive an email notification as shown below.

• Once you receive an email notification, you have to click on the link to upload a new budget sheet. You will see a page like this.



• Click 'Add Documents'. You will see a section like below:



- Please browse to the documents by clicking 'Browse'
- Select 'Budget Sheet' on '**Document Type'** from the dropdown menu.
- Click 'Upload' to submit the document to Office of Public Transit.

### **Upload Certifications and Assurance only**

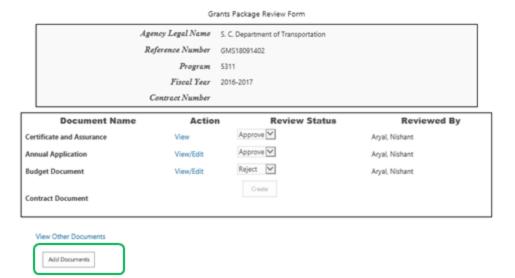
For some reason, if you need to upload Certifications and Assurance again, please follow these instructions:

• Click on 'Review Grants Package' on Grants Management Home page as shown:

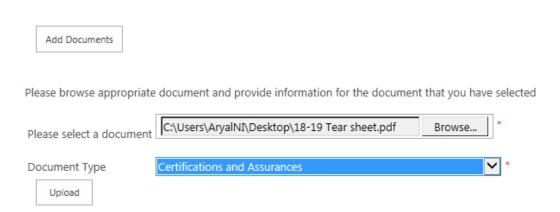




You will see a page like this.



• Click 'Add Documents'. You will see a section like below:



- Please browse to the 'Certifications and Assurance' document by clicking 'Browse'
- Select 'Certifications and Assurance' from the dropdown menu on '**Document Type**'.
- Click '**Upload**' to submit the document to Office of Public Transit.