

FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities

PROGRAM FACT SHEET

Program Purpose:

 To improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available

Funding:

- Approximately \$18 Million in Federal Grant funds for Large Urbanized Areas, Small Urban and Rural communities
- Call for Projects are held every 2-3 yrs
- The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) mandates that at least 55% of funding is used for Traditional Projects
- FTA mandates that no more than 45% of funding be used for Expanded Projects

Eligible Applicants:

- Private non-profit corporations (Traditional and Expanded Projects)
- Public Agencies where no non-profits provide service (Traditional Projects)
- Public Agencies approved by the State to coordinate services (Traditional Projects)
- Public Agencies (Expanded Projects)

Eligible Capital Expenses:

- Accessible vans and buses
- Mobile radios and communication equipment
- Computer hardware and software

Vehicle Replacement (Traditional) Projects:

- Vehicle(s) must be in active service
- A replacement bus or van must meet or exceed useful life at the time of application.

Service Expansion Vehicle (Traditional) Projects:

- Services to additional persons; or
- Expanding the service area or hour; or
- Increasing the number and/or frequency of trips

Examples of Eligible Mobility Management (Expanded) Projects: (but not limited to)

- Planning, development, implementation of coordinated transportation services
- Travel training/trip planning

Examples of Eligible Operating Assistance (Expanded) Projects: (but not limited to)

- Expansion of hours/service of paratransit service beyond the requirement of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Enhancement of services (same day; etc.)
- New or expansion of Volunteer Driver Programs

Program Requirements:

- Grantees are responsible for the proper use, operating costs, and maintenance of all project equipment
- Grantees certify that they will comply with State and Federal requirements
- Grantees must certify that all projects are ready for implementation at time of application

Information:

- Call for Projects expected Summer 2021 or Winter 2022
- See Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transportation (DRMT) Section 5310 webpage at:

https://dot.ca.gov/programs/rail-and-mass-transportation/ enhanced-mobility-of-seniors-and-individuals-with-disabilitiesprogram-fta-5310