

# FTA SECTION 5310 ENHANCED MOBILITY PROGRAM

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## Overview of Applications Received and Funding Recommendations

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# Purpose

- Allocate \$6.6M in federal grant funds from \$11.1M in requests
- Provide a review of the selection process
- Summarize applications received
- Discuss next steps



Source: Arc of Greater Prince William



# Selection Committee Process

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- On September 29, 2021, TPB Board Member Canek Aguirre facilitated the selection committee in developing recommendations for funding:
  1. Brittany Voll, DRPT 5310 Program Manager
  2. Nancy Huggins, MTA 5310 Program Manager
  3. Anthony DeLorenzo, Urban Planning Manager, District Department of General Services
  4. Deborah Fisher, Expert on Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities
  5. Heather Edmonds, National Aging & Disability Transportation Center staff
- Following staff clarification of eligibility and follow up questions for some projects, the committee reached consensus on funding recommendations on October 22, 2021



# Selection Criteria

Recommendations for funding were based on the following selection criteria:

Criterion	Maximum Points
Coordination among jurisdictions and agencies	25
Responsiveness to the TPB's Coordinated Plan: Priority Projects (up to 12 points) Strategies (up to 8 points)	20
Institutional capacity to manage and administer an FTA grant	20
Project feasibility	15
Regional need	5
Equity Emphasis Areas	5
Customer focus and input	10



# Selection Criteria: Additional Considerations

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Capacity to  
manage a federal  
grant

Successful past  
performance

Priority to vehicle  
replacement  
rather than  
expansion

Priority to operating  
funds since  
programs hit hard by  
pandemic

Equity in  
distribution of  
funding among  
jurisdictions



# Summary of Applications Received

	Requested	Recommended
<b>Total Number of Projects:</b>	23	21
<b>Vehicle Acquisition:</b>	12	11 (all scaled)
<b>Other than Vehicle:</b>	11	10
<b>Federal Funds:</b>	\$11.1M	\$6.6M
<b>Total # of Vehicles:</b>	109	53



# Summary of Applications Received

## Mobility Management Requests

- 7 applications
- Project types:
  - Volunteer driver program support
  - Travel training (including ride-hailing)
  - Transportation planning/options counseling

State	Number of Applications
Regional	2
DC	1
Maryland	1
Virginia	3



# Summary of Applications Received

## Operating Only Requests

- 3 applications
- Project types:
  - Support for alternatives to Metro Access
  - Funds to support direct transportation programs (excluding vehicles procured with this grant funding)

State	Number of Applications
Regional	1
DC	1
Maryland	1
Virginia	0





# Summary of Applications Received

## Vehicle Acquisition Requests

- 3 applications for Capital only
- 8 applications for Capital plus Operating funds for vehicles procured with this grant funding
  - All applications scaled as to number of wheelchair accessible vehicles
  - Priority given to operating funds
  - Priority given to replacement vehicles

State	Number of Applications
Regional	0
DC	2
Maryland	6
Virginia	3



# Summary of Applications Received

## Vehicle Acquisition Requests, cont.

- Project types:
  - 7 organizations are non-profits serving specific populations
  - 1 organization is a government entity
  - 3 organizations provide wheelchair accessible taxi service

State	Number of Applications
Regional	2
DC	0
Maryland	11
Virginia	4



# Next Steps

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- **November**
  - TPB approval and TIP amendment
  - TPB staff notify applicants of approval
  - COG staff ensure requirements are met and begin FTA submission process
  - Following FTA approval (est. 4-6 months) COG will initiate contracts with the subrecipients
- **Next Solicitation**
  - Summer 2023



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