

PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR ENHANCED MOBILITY FUNDING

For Approval and Inclusion in the FY 2021-2024 TIP

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Outline of Presentation

- Enhanced Mobility program basics
- Review 21 recommended projects
- Action on resolution R5-2022 to approve projects and amend the TIP



Enhanced Mobility Program Basics

- Approximately \$6.6 million in funding available, \$11.1 million in requests
- COG is the Designated Recipient for the Washington DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area from the Federal Transit Administration
- Program funds projects which remove barriers to transportation services and expand transportation mobility options for people with disabilities and older adults
- Unique role for TPB: Prioritize, select, and implement projects



Enhanced Mobility Program Basics

- Selection Committee recommends funding 21 of the 23 applications received
- With the matching funds, the projects total over \$9M
- Applicants with projects not recommended for funding will receive recommendations for improvement
- Following TPB approval and amendment of the TIP, TPB staff will submit projects to FTA for final approval



Projects Types

- Mobility Management
- Operating
- Vehicle Acquisition
 - Equipment
 - Operations



Other Projects Recommendations

Mobility Management Projects

Boat People SOS

Provide Mobility Management services to Vietnamese seniors and people with disabilities, including travel training and transportation options counseling.

- **Geographic Focus:** Northern Virginia
- **Total:** \$150,000

Capitol Hill Village

Continue and expand Mobility Management services in partnership with “Villages”, including travel training, mobility counseling and engagement with alternative transportation modes like ride-hailing.

- **Geographic Focus:** District of Columbia
- **Total:** \$674,995



Other Projects Recommendations

Dulles Area Transportation Association

Continue and expand a Mobility Management program that recruits bilingual Spanish-speaking volunteers and drivers in partnership with transportation providers, conducts travel training, driver training, and options education in Spanish.

- **Geographic Focus:** Fairfax and Loudoun County, VA
- **Total:** \$339,734

Fairfax County Neighborhood & Community Services

Continue and expand the Fairfax Mobility Access Project (FXMAP) which enhances awareness of transportation programs, provides travel training, develops and implements new transportation options, and coordinates services.

- **Geographic Focus:** Fairfax County, VA
- **Total:** \$575,284



Other Project Recommendations

Jewish Council for the Aging of Greater Washington, Inc.

Continue and expand a resource center for new and existing volunteer driver programs through marketing, background checks, shared ride scheduling software, training, and technical assistance.

- **Geographic Focus:** Montgomery & Prince George's Counties, MD and Northern Virginia
- **Total:** \$735,759



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Other Projects Recommendations

The Arc of Northern Virginia

Continue and expand an existing “train the travel trainer” program that uses specialized “TravelMate” software to provide step-by-step instructions to support adults and students with intellectual disabilities to independently travel on bus and rail. The program embeds travel training into disability organizations, schools, private employers, and works one-on-one with individuals and their families.

- **Geographic Focus:** Regional
- **Total:** \$866,492

Opportunities Inc.

Partner the Arc of Northern Virginia’s Train the Travel Trainer program to develop a travel training program for their participants who have intellectual and developmental disabilities.

- **Geographic Focus:** Regional
- **Total:** \$150,000



Other Projects Recommendations

Operating Projects

Coach Transportation Inc., DBE Koach

Operating support for wheelchair accessible taxi service in partnership with Silver Cab of Prince George's County and VIP Cab of DC.

- **Geographic Focus:** Prince George's County, MD, Wards 7 & 8, DC
- **Total:** \$417,672

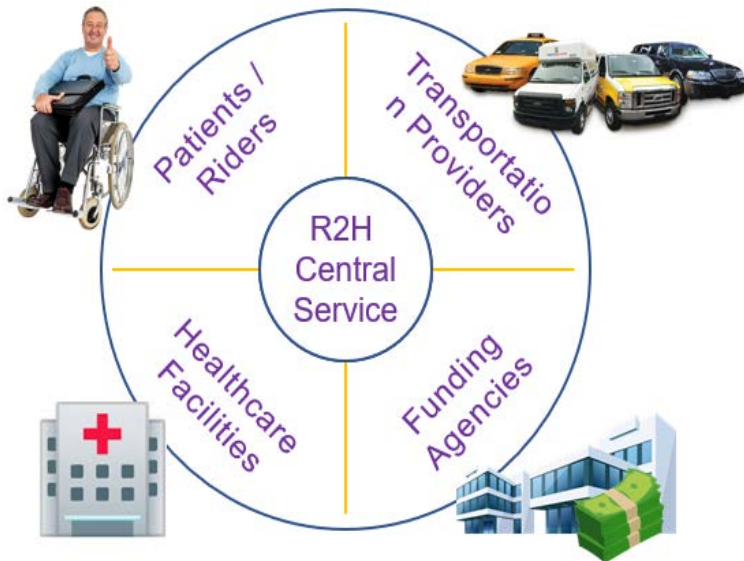
DC Department of For-Hire Vehicles

Operating support for Transport DC, a program that provides same day service for persons with disabilities and older adults in DC as an alternative to MetroAccess.

- **Geographic Focus:** District of Columbia
- **Total:** \$636,000



Other Projects Recommendations



Transit Group, Inc.

Operating expenses to launch the Rides to Health program in Montgomery County. RTH is a pilot funded under FTA's ICAM program, to improve transportation for End Stage Renal Disease dialysis patients.

- **Geographic Focus:** Montgomery County, MD
- **Total:** \$200,000



Vehicle Acquisition Recommendations

Capital Only

Community Support Services

Procure six wheelchair accessible minivans to transport participants with developmental disabilities to community-based activities and programming.

- **Geographic Focus:** Montgomery County, MD
- **Total:** \$324,098

Fairfax County Neighborhood & Community Services

Procure four wheelchair accessible vehicles to provide transportation for Neighborhood & Community Services' programming, including trips for Area Agency on Aging, Adult Day Health Care, Critical Medical Care, Community Service Board, and Therapeutic Recreation.

- **Geographic Focus:** Fairfax County, VA
- **Total:** \$255,652



Vehicle Acquisition Recommendations

Wheelchair Accessible Taxis

Liberty Transportation Management Corporation

Procure nine minivans, plus required equipment required for use as wheelchair accessible taxicabs. Includes preventative maintenance and a share of related operating costs.

- **Geographic Focus:** District of Columbia
- **Total:** \$496,060

Regency Taxi

Procure eight minivans, plus equipment required for use as wheelchair accessible taxicabs. Includes preventative maintenance.

- **Geographic Focus:** Montgomery County, MD
- **Total:** \$411,848

Yellow Transportation

Procure eight minivans for use as wheelchair accessible taxicabs. Includes a share of related operating cost.

- **Geographic Focus:** District of Columbia
- **Total:** \$407,646



Vehicle Acquisition Recommendations

Capital and Operating

Chinese Culture and Community Service Center

Procure four buses, plus preventative maintenance and monthly cost of GPS system to provide transportation to and from adult day programming, medical appointments, grocery, retail shopping, recreational and socialization trips, and government offices.

- **Geographic Focus:** Montgomery County, MD
- **Total:** \$276,028

Easter Seals Serving DC|MD|VA

Procure two buses, plus associated operating expenses to help resume transportation to and from Easter Seals' Adult Medical Day program which provides activities, socialization, nutritious meals, and clinical oversight.

- **Geographic Focus:** Montgomery County, MD and District of Columbia
- **Total:** \$395,203



Project Recommendations



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ECHO

Procure two wheelchair accessible vehicles to transport participants to and from ECHO's supported employment programming, in-house and community integration programs, and employment training.

Procure one expansion vehicle for ECHO's Barkery in Ashburn, VA, a social enterprise that employs and trains people with disabilities to bake and sell artisanal dog biscuits.

Includes preventative maintenance and associated operating costs.

- **Geographic Focus:** Fairfax and Loudoun County, VA
- **Total:** \$427,089

Vehicle Acquisition Recommendations

New Horizons Support Services, Inc.

Procure two wheelchair accessible minivans, plus associated equipment and operating costs to provide transportation to community inclusion programs and state and county programming.

- **Geographic Focus:** Prince George's County, MD
- **Total:** \$313,048

The Arc of Prince George's County

Procure five wheelchair accessible minivans, plus associated operating costs to expand the Community Learning Services program which provides specialized transportation to community-based activities, potential employment, and volunteer opportunities.

- **Geographic Focus:** Prince George's County, MD
- **Total:** \$476,947

The Arc of Great Prince William/INSIGHT, Inc.

Procure two wheelchair accessible minivans and two 15-passenger buses to transport participants to and from employment, mobile work training groups, adult day program sites, medical appointments, and community integration activities.

- **Geographic Focus:** Prince William County, VA
- **Total:** \$332k



Next Steps

- Recommend approval to approve 21 projects for funding and amend the FY 2021-2024 TIP to include the projects
- Approve R5-2022



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