

2023 SOLICITATION FOR GRANT APPLICATIONS

Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Program

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Purpose

- Provide brief overview of program and upcoming solicitation to prepare interested applicants in applying.



FTA Enhanced Mobility Program

“Improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities...by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available.”

- Matching grants that go above and beyond traditional public transit and ADA complementary paratransit service



Upcoming Solicitation Details

- Pre-Application Conferences:
August 2023
- Solicitation dates:
August 1 – September 30, 2023
- Funding:
Approximately \$10.8 million



Upcoming Solicitation Details, Cont'd.

- Matching funds (identified by application):
 - Operating: **50%**
 - Capital and Mobility Management: **20%**
- Funding period: **2-years**



Upcoming Solicitation Details, Cont'd.

- Who can apply?
Non-profit agencies, private providers, transit agencies, and local governments
- What type of projects?
Capital and operating grants that improve transportation for people with disabilities and older adults



Upcoming Solicitation Details, Cont'd.

- **Mandatory Pre-Application Conferences:**

MARYLAND: Silver Spring Civic Building at Veterans Plaza, Colesville Room
1 Veterans Pl, Silver Spring, MD 20910
Friday, August 4, 2023
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

VIRGINIA: Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library Meeting Room #2
7584 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22043
Tuesday, August 8, 2023
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street NE, Suite 300 Washington, DC 20002
Wednesday, August 16, 2023
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
VIRTUAL OPTION AVAILABLE



Application Process: On-line System

- Application process and required documentation is extensive and comprehensive

SAM.gov Unique Entity ID

Everyone  

Please provide your SAM.gov unique entity ID. If you do not have a SAM.gov unique entity ID at this time you can leave this section blank. If your application is approved for funding you will need to have a SAM.gov unique entity ID in order to receive FTA funds.

Example

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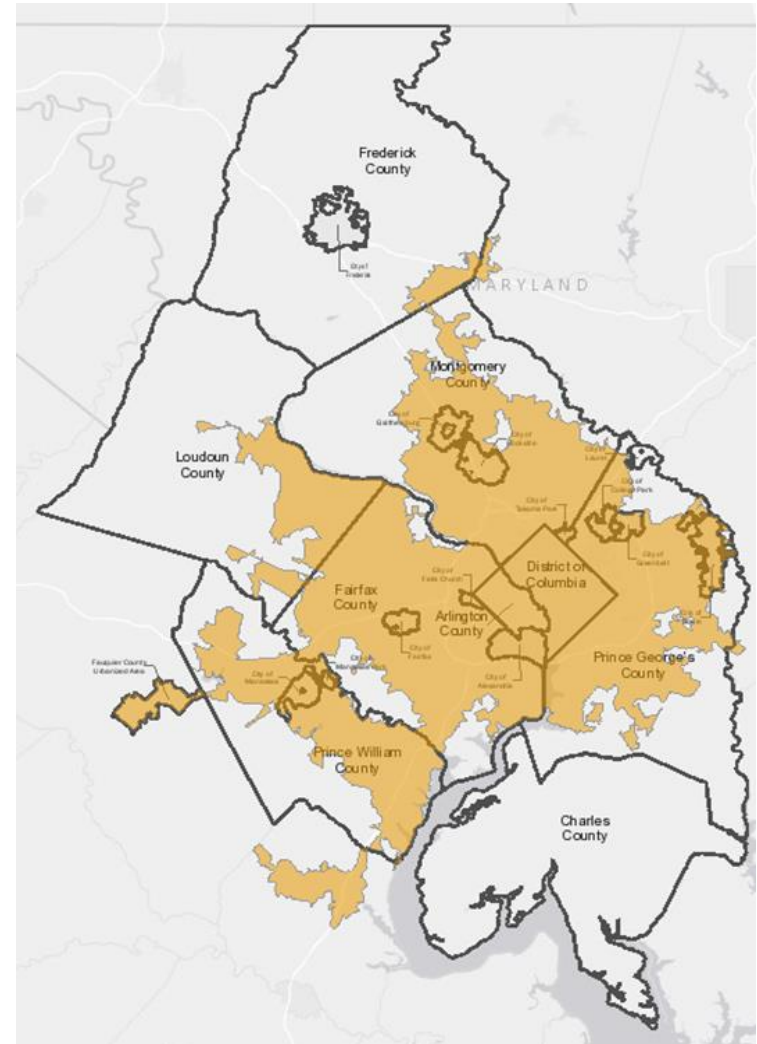
[How to obtain a SAM.gov unique entity ID](#)



Washington DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area

**Projects must benefit
populations in the
Washington DC-VA-MD
Urbanized Area**

See interactive map:
mwcog.org/enhancedmobility



Selection Process

- Selection Committee of local representatives and national experts; chaired by a TPB member
- Established by the Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan
- Schedule:
 - **TPB action to approve by Dec. 2023**



Selection Process

- Selection Criteria include seven categories:
 - Coordination among agencies
 - Responsiveness to Coordinated Plan (includes scoring for priority projects)
 - Capacity to manage an FTA grant
 - Project feasibility
 - Regional need
 - Equity Emphasis Areas
 - Customer focus



Priority Projects

Priorities confirmed by AFA Committee to respond to the most significant unmet transportation needs:

- Mobility Management
- Coordinated Planning Efforts
- Travel Training
- Door-through-door or Escorted Transportation Service
- Increase Access to Transit Stations
- Increase Wheelchair-Accessible Options in Taxi and Ride-Hailing Services
- Volunteer Driver Programs
- Tailored Transportation Service for Clients of Human Service Agencies (Vehicle Acquisition)



Learn More and Help Spread the Word

1. For more information:
mwcog.org/enhancedmobility
2. Help TPB staff promote the grant opportunity
3. Engage TPB members to help spread the word



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