



ENHANCED MOBILITY PROGRAM: 2021 GRANT SOLICITATION

The National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) at the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) will conduct a solicitation for applications for the Federal Transit Administration's Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) grant program from July 1 through September 1, 2021 with pre-application conferences starting in June 2021.

Funding Amounts

Approximately \$6.3 million in federal funds will be available; funds must be matched by the applicant: 20% for capital or mobility management grants and 50% for operating grants. Matching funds must be identified by the time of application.

The Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities program enhances mobility for seniors and people with disabilities by providing matching grants for transportation services that go above and beyond traditional public transit and paratransit service.

Eligibility

Non-profit agencies, private providers, transit agencies and local governments are eligible. Both capital and operating projects are eligible, but the project must serve the Washington DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area; detailed maps are at mwkog.org/enhancedmobility. For specific eligibility guidance, see the FTA circular 9070.1G or contact staff.

Priority Projects

Priority Projects have been identified to address significant gaps in transportation for people with disabilities and older adults. The eight priority projects include travel training, mobility managers, and taxi and shuttle services among others and can be found at mwkog.org/enhancedmobility. Applications responding to priority projects can receive additional points in the selection scoring process, which includes seven criteria totaling a maximum of 100 points.

Pre-Application Conferences

Applicants must attend a pre-application conference. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic all pre-application conferences will be virtual only.

Register at mwcog.org/transportation/programs/enhanced-mobility/solicitation-process/pre-application-conferences/

Thursday, June 3, 2021
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Thursday, June 24, 2021
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Wednesday, June 16, 2021
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Monday, July 19, 2021
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Tuesday, June 22, 2021
12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Competitive Selection Process

An independent selection committee will make recommendations for funding to the TPB based on the seven selection criteria that total a maximum of 100 points. The selection criteria can be found at mwcog.org/enhancedmobility and include the following:

- Demonstration of coordination among agencies and/or jurisdictions;
- Responsiveness to the TPB's Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan (Strategies and/or Priority Projects); and
- Institutional capacity of the applicant to manage and administer an FTA grant including prior grant performance (if applicable).

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BE ADDED TO THE E-MAIL LIST, PLEASE CONTACT:

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