# 2021 ENHANCED MOBILITY SOLICITATION

#### **Projects Approved by TPB**

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### **Outline of Presentation**

- Enhanced Mobility program basics
- Review 21 recommended projects
- Discuss next steps



## **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.
- TPB approved the recommendations on November 17, 2021
- With the matching funds, the projects total over \$9M
- Applicants with projects not recommended for funding received recommendations for improvement
- Staff will submit projects to FTA for final approval







#### **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: \$674,955



#### **Dulles Area Transportation Association**

Continue and expand a Mobility Management program that recruits bilingual Spanishspeaking 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



## 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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#### 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 with 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



#### **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





#### **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

#### **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: \$250,903



#### 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**

Preventative Maintenance and repair of wheelchair accessible taxicabs, and a share of related operating cost

Geographic Focus: District of Columbia

Total: \$439,057



#### **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**: \$277,108

#### 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: \$395,204





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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



#### **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: \$524,778



## **Next Steps**

- Ensure subrecipients are Federally compliant
- Submit application to FTA for approval
  - By September 30, 2022
- Start contracting process
  - Projects start late 2022/early 2023
- Vehicle delivery at least 6 months later



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