

2021 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:
June - July 2021
- Solicitation dates:
July 1 – September 1, 2021
- Funding:
Approximately \$6.3 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 Virtual Pre-Application Conferences:

**Thursday, June 3, 2021
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Thursday, June 24, 2021
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Wednesday, June 16, 2021
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Monday, July 19, 2021
10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Tuesday, June 22, 2021
12:00 PM to 2:00 PM**



Application Process: On-line System

- Application process and required documentation is extensive and comprehensive

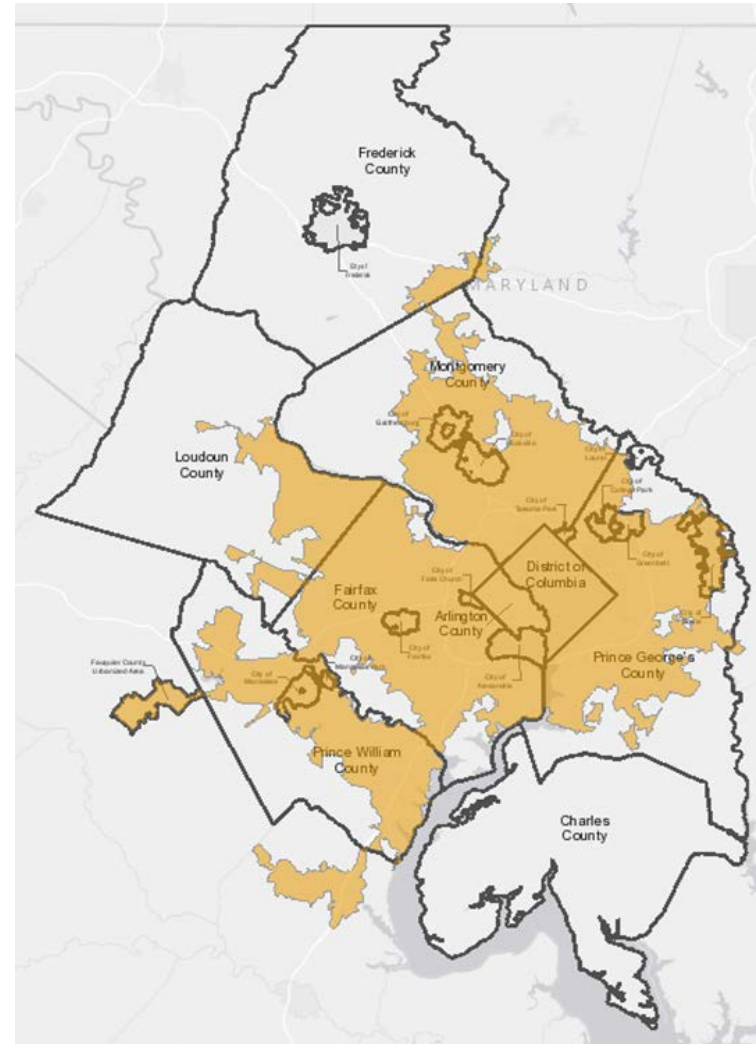
The screenshot displays the user interface of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOC) online application system. At the top, the MWCOC logo and tagline "One Region Moving Forward" are visible, along with the name of the current user, Sergio Ritacco. Below the header, there is a navigation menu with options for Search, Tools, Communications, and Reporting. The main content area is titled "Application" and shows the current application details: "2017 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (5310) - Non-vehicle" and "Application for Projects Other than Vehicles - Enhanced Mobility 2017". A section titled "Opening Questions" is expanded, showing a "DUNS Number" field with instructions and a text area for "Authorizing Resolution". The "DUNS Number" section includes a text input field and a note that if the user does not have a DUNS number, they can leave the section blank. The "Authorizing Resolution" section provides detailed instructions on what is required for the application and includes an "Upload a file" button with a 1 MB limit. The footer of the page indicates that the Grant Management Software is provided by Foundant Technologies © 2017.



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 Nov. or Dec. 2021**



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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