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FY 2017 FTA SECTION 5310 NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

This notice is to announce the availability of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant funding financial assistance for Federal Fiscal Year 2017 (October 2016 through September 2017) administered by the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT).

Program Overview

ADOT's Multimodal Planning Division (MPD) administers the FTA Section 5310 grant program, also known as the ADOT Coordinated Mobility Program, which is designed to financially support a variety of transit services to enhance mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities in Arizona.

FTA Section 5310 funding is available to fund costs for the purchase of capital equipment (e.g., vehicles, dispatch software), operations and mobility management activities.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants for the Section 5310 grant funding include private nonprofit organizations and public agencies that coordinate services or can certify that no non-profit organizations are readily available to provide service in the same area. In addition, private operators of "public transportation" that provide *shared-ride service* to the general public on a regular basis are also eligible applicants under the Section 5310 program. A "Shared-ride" means two or more passengers in the same vehicle who are otherwise not traveling together. (Please refer to the Program Guidebook for additional details.)

Funding Available

ADOT uses two types of Section 5310 funding to fund eligible projects: **Formula** funds and **Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)** funds. **Formula** funds can be used for all eligible projects listed in the above Program Overview in both the rural and urbanized areas of the state. **STBG** funds can be used for mobility management and capital projects only in the rural areas of the state.

For 5310 **Formula** funds, the following amounts are based on actual FY 2017 federal apportionments for Arizona by federal designated census population area. As the balance of funding has not yet been released, the calculations below represent the partial apportionment of approximately 7/12 of the anticipated amount.

- Rural: approximately \$385,770 (\$150,022 approx. available for operating)
- Small Urban: approximately \$588,135 (\$228,719 approx. available for operating)
- Urban Tucson / PAG region: approx. \$432,934 (\$168,363 approx. available for operating)

For 5310 *STBG* funds, approximately 1.35 million dollars is available for capital projects in the rural areas of the state.

Complete details about this grant program, including how to apply for funding, review procedures, and compliance requirements are in the “ADOT Coordinated Mobility Program Grant Guidebook.” The updated FY 2017 version will be located on the ADOT website by March 20, 2017.

Attend a mandatory application webinar. Information and registration can be found on the ADOT website: <http://azdot.gov/planning/TransitProgramsandGrants/program-handbook-applications-and-awards>.

Application Timeline and Technical Assistance

- Application forms in E-Grants and guidance documents on the ADOT website will be available starting **Monday, March 20, 2017**.
- Applications are due in the system by **Thursday, May 4, 2017**.

If you have questions about the Section 5310 program, please contact one of the ADOT Coordinated Mobility Program Managers listed below:

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We look forward to receiving your application in the upcoming months. Thank you for your interest in FTA funding.

Sincerely,



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