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Oregon Department of Transportation Rail and Public Transit Division

Federal §5310 Program

Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities



2017-19 GRANT INFORMATION & APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

2017-19 Biennium

July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019

Please read all information before completing the application.

General Information

Fund Source

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) allocates funds to Oregon for the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (§5310) program.

Program Goal

The goal of the program is to improve mobility throughout the country by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation options available for transit-dependent populations.

Eligible Transit Agencies

Eligible transit agencies are counties, mass transit districts, transportation districts, transportation service districts, Indian tribal governments, cities, councils of government, and private non-profit organizations. The funds may be used in all areas of the state - urban, small urban, and rural.

Eligible Activities

Eligible grant activities include capital purchases such as vehicles, passenger shelters, and equipment that support transportation to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities. The program also funds operational and administrative projects such as contracted service, vehicle and facility preventive maintenance, and the development of new systems for improving access to transportation (e.g., travel training, marketing, centralized call centers), provided the projects are designed to meet the special needs of the target population.

Funding

The ODOT Rail and Public Transit Division (RPTD) established the §5310 program as a base source of ongoing funding to support coordinated transportation plans and to assist communities to provide mobility choices for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

Formula

RPTD, with advice from stakeholders, distributes funds using a population-based formula: 50 percent by the STF Agency's area population in proportion to the state population, and 50 percent by the area's proportionate ratio of seniors.

Match Rate

89.73% federal / 10.27% local match

Special Note for Non-profit Agencies

If your transit agency is a private non-profit organization that has not applied for a recent RPTD grant, please provide the following information to your STF Agency (Union County):

- Articles of Incorporation
- Adopted Corporate Bylaws
- 501(c)3 non-profit approval letter from the Internal Revenue Service
- A description of transportation services and other grants received by your agency

Private non-profit agencies (for both new and returning applicants) must be registered with the Oregon Secretary of State Corporation Division (<http://www.filinginoregon.com/business/index.htm>) to do business in Oregon.

Application Information

Application

Application Packets are available at www.union-county.org and at 1106 K Ave., La Grande.

The application process must be coordinated through Union County. **RPTD will only accept applications submitted by STF Agencies.**

Transit agencies and contractors must submit a completed application to Union County. The Union County STF Advisory Committee will then review, select, and prioritize completed applications for consideration by the Board of Commissioners.

Application Deadline

Applications submitted for projects in Union County must be submitted to Union County at 1106 K Ave, La Grande, by **4:00 p.m. on December 16, 2016.**