

STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting of July 23, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: 4-B

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SUBJECT:

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program 2025 Call for Projects

Enclosure: Yes

Action: Information and Discussion Only

SUMMARY:

FTA Section 5310 -Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program

Program Overview

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program is authorized by 49 United States Code (U.S.C.) 5310.

The goal of the FTA 5310 Program is to improve the mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available.

This program provides grant funds for capital, mobility management, and operating expenses for:

- Public transportation projects planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities when public transportation is insufficient, inappropriate, or unavailable;
- Public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA);
- Public transportation projects that improve access to fixed-route service and decrease reliance on complementary paratransit; and
- Alternatives to public transportation projects that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities in regard to transportation.

To apply for Caltrans administered Federal Transit Administration (FTA 5310) funding, you must be a non-profit organization or a qualifying public agency.

Applications can be accessed via the <u>BlackCat Transit Data Management System</u> and are due by September 3, 2025, at 1pm. Please contact <u>Mark.Barry@dot.ca.gov</u> if you have questions or would like to be added to the email interest list.

Caltrans will be hosting a virtual application workshop at the end of July; details are coming soon.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the approved 2025-26 Overall Work Program and Budget.