

STAFF REPORT Board Meeting of January 19, 2022

AGENDA ITEM:4-EPREPARED BY:Evelyn Espinosa, Associate Regional Planner

SUBJECT:

FTA Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program, 2022 Call for Projects

Enclosure: Yes

Action: Information and Discussion Only

SUMMARY:

2022 Call for Projects: Applications for this grant cycle were released on January 3, 2022, via the BlackCat Transit Data Management System. The application submittal <u>deadline is March</u> <u>2, 2022</u>, at 3:00 pm via BlackCat.

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Program – 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 and with transportation.

Eligible Projects

• Capital - Vehicles (ADA accessible vehicles) and related equipment (cameras, mobile radios, scheduling software, etc.)

- Mobility Management (Travel training, One Stop Call Center, etc.)
- Operating Assistance

Eligible Applicants

- Private non-profit organizations (all projects)
- Public agencies where no private non-profits are readily available to provide service (Capital and Mobility Management)
- Public agencies that have been approved by the State to coordinate transportation services (CTSA) (Capital and Mobility Management)
- Public agencies (for Operating Assistance and Mobility Management projects)

The 5310 Program Fact Sheet with the timeline is included in the agenda packet. For more information see the Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transportation Section 5310 <u>webpage</u>.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the approved 2021-22 Overall Work Program and Budget.