



NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: June 3, 2016

RE: Resolution No. 2016-019; Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Program Funding

ACTION REQUESTED

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the proposed program funding for The Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Program.

The Planning and Programming Committee recommended this action.

BACKGROUND

The Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Program addresses the special transportation needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities. In order to gain access to funding from these programs, NOACA approved the Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan for Northeast Ohio in January 2015. Staff was also authorized by the Board of Directors via Resolution 2015-013 to manage the competitive project selection process and grant distribution for these funds for the Cleveland Urbanized Area.

On February 2, 2015, NOACA opened the Section 5310 application round, and on March 3, 2015 received 15 applications from eligible sponsors. The Board of Directors approved funding all applications totaling more than \$3.1 M. All of the applications were funded, but a balance of \$97,500 remained, which is set to expire June 30, 2016 if not allocated. Concurrently, it came to NOACA's attention that applicants were under the impression that the maximum allowable vehicle request was three, so sponsors were asked to update their applications to reflect actual vehicle needs.

After reviewing the updated applications and applying the same evaluation criteria previously used, it is recommended to fund:

Cuyahoga Board of DD \$19,336.00 for (1) SMV Vehicle
Senior Transportation Connection \$78,164 for (2) LTN Vehicles

FINANCIAL IMPACT

\$97,500 in Section 5310 funding needs to be allocated by June 30, 2016. This action will not impact any funding for the current or future Section 5310 program.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS

Pending Board approval, the project will be submitted to FTA in June, and staff will work with sponsors through the award process.

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Table 1:

Organization	Project	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share
CCBDD	1 Vehicle - SMV	\$ 24,171.00	\$ 19,336.00	\$ 4,834.00
STC	2 Vehicles - LTN	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 78,164.00	\$ 21,836.00
Totals		\$ 124,171.00	\$ 97,500.00	\$ 26,670.00

**RESOLUTION 2016-019
(ENHANCED MOBILITY FOR SENIORS AND
INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
(SECTION 5310) PROGRAM FUNDING)**

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY**

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain and Medina, and the areawide water quality management agency for the same region; and

WHEREAS, as designated recipient for the Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) program for the Cleveland Urbanized Area (UZA), NOACA has the responsibility to administer the competitive selection process for grants, ensure federal compliance, manage grant distribution, and oversee the projects receiving those federal funds; and

WHEREAS, available funding through federal fiscal years 2013 and 2014 for the Cleveland UZA totals \$3.2 million for the Section 5310 program of which all was allocated with the exception of \$97,500; and

WHEREAS, the balance of \$97,500 is set to expire June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, applicants were under the impression that the maximum allowable vehicle request was three, so sponsors submitted updated applications to reflect actual vehicle needs and projects were evaluated against the goals of the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for Northeast Ohio to develop recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the projects recommended are consistent with the goals of the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for Northeast Ohio, as required by FTA; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of 45 principal officials serving general purpose local governments throughout and within the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina that:

Section 1. Projects and funding amounts contained in Table 1 are approved.

Section 2. The Executive Director is authorized to inter into contracts with appropriate entities, as needed, to implement the approved FY 2013/2014 Section 5310 Program.

Section 4. The Executive Director is authorized to transmit certified copies of this resolution to the appropriate federal, state, and local agencies.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the
Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency Board
of Directors adopted this 10th day of June 2016.

Secretary: _____

Date Signed: _____

Deborah Joyce
6/10/16