



FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION SECTION 5310 PROGRAM

Planning and Programming Committee

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File# 2025-0610

Approve Recommendations

Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Program

Recommendations:

- A. ALLOCATING \$11,619,572 in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 - Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program funds to Access Services, as identified by the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2024 and 2025 Funding Allocation Process (Attachment A), for the purchase of replacement vehicles that meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements; and
- B. APPROVING the 2025 Solicitation for Proposals and Application (Attachment B) for up to \$10,752,739 in FTA Section 5310 competitive funds.

FTA Section 5310 Background

- > Metro is Los Angeles County's designated recipient of the Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 funds
- > \$23.5M in FFY 24 and 25 funds are available for planning, programming, and distribution
- > These funds support capital and operating subrecipient projects serving Target Populations
- > Projects must support priorities identified in the Board Adopted 2025-2028 Coordinated Plan
- > Approval allows Metro to move forward with a two-year solicitation to obligate available funds



Funding Allocation Process

- > \$23,549,802 in Section 5310 funds available (FFY 2024–25, IJJA)
- > Metro is proposing the following allocation approach:
 - **Access Services – 49.34%**
 - ADA Complementary Paratransit Provider for LA County
 - Delivers over 3M Annual Trips to Seniors/Disabled
 - **\$11,619,572** to replace ADA-accessible vehicles that met their minimum useful life
 - Includes 55% of L/P and S/C UZA funds
 - Increased due to Triennial Review
 - Includes 49% of LA UZA funds
 - Sufficient projects consistently meet 55%
 - **Program Administration – 5%**
 - **\$1,177,491** for technical assistance, oversight, and compliance
 - **Competitive Solicitation– 45.66%**
 - **\$10,752,739** for the competitive process



2025 Section 5310 Solicitation and Application

- > Established Evaluation and Outreach Process
 - Coordinated Plan and EFC Considerations
- > Eligible Applicants:
 - Private nonprofit 501(c) organizations
 - State or local governmental authorities
 - Operators of public transportation
- > Eligible Projects:

Urbanized Area (UZA)	Available Funds
Los Angeles/Long Beach/Anaheim	\$10,218,282
Lancaster/Palmdale	\$311,667
Santa Clarita	\$222,790
Total	\$10,752,739

> Maximum Award Per Applicant: **\$800,000**

Traditional Capital Projects	Other Capital & Operating
Replacement/Expansion ADA Vehicles	Accessibility Improvements to Bus/Rail Stops
Vehicle Wheelchair Lifts, Ramps, and Securements	Improve Signage or Way Finding Technology
Radios and Communication Equipment	Expansion of Paratransit Service Area/Hours
Benches, Shelters, and Other Passenger Amenities	On-Demand Paratransit Service
Schedule and Dispatch Systems	Door-to-Door and Door-Through-Door Service
Mobility Management	Volunteer Driver and Mileage Reimbursement programs

Next Steps

- > Initiate the necessary actions to allocate funds to Access Services
- > Release Metro's 2025 FTA Section 5310 Solicitation for Proposals
- > Return to the Metro Board in Spring 2026 to seek approval of final funding award recommendations.

