



Access for All Grant Program FY 2025 Award Recommendation

**Planning and Programming Committee
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Metro

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Program Overview

- SB 1376 (2018) directed CPUC to establish a program to increase on-demand WAV availability
- A \$0.10 Access Fee is collected on each TNC ride
- Local Access Fund Administrators (LAFA) distribute funds through annual competitive solicitations
- Access Providers selected through a competitive process provide WAV service
- Metro Board of Directors authorized Metro to serve as the Los Angeles County LAFA (2021)

Funding Year (Six Cycles)	Collection Source (Calendar Year)	Funding Available (Los Angeles County)
2021	Q3 2019 – Q2 2020	\$5,634,699
2022	Q3 2020 – Q2 2021	\$2,231,134
2023	Q3 2021 – Q2 2022	\$1,584,814
2024	Q3 2022 – Q2 2023	\$5,855,760
2025	Q3 2023 – Q2 2024	TBD
2026	Q3 2024 – Q2 2025	TBD

- First three years of funding awarded following competitive solicitation in FY 2023 & FY 2024, current funding award recommendation is year four, with two more years of funding ahead

FY 2025 Solicitation

- \$5,855,760 available for eligible projects, including 5% set aside for Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) appeals (\$292,788)
- Metro released a competitive solicitation for project proposals on March 17, 2025
- Four eligible proposals received by the April 21, 2025, deadline

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS			
ORGANIZATION	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	FUNDING REQUESTED	
Buterfli Technologies, Inc.	Operating funds to provide WAV assisted transportation services.	\$	5,881,130
City of Whittier	Introduction of on-demand WAV transit service through Circuit, Inc. to City of Whittier community.	\$	130,000
World Transportation	Provide on demand WAV transportation to meet the needs of persons with disability.	\$	1,418,240
Administrative Services Cooperative, Inc.	Expand access to WAV demand-responsive transportation through capital purchase of 30 WAV.	\$	2,617,527

Award Recommendation



- Preliminary funding recommendations on May 7, 2025, of the first and second ranked projects funded up to 95% cap.
- On June 4, 2025, TAC approved a motion recommending that the set aside funds be awarded to third-ranked project, World Transportation.
- Recommendation: Partial award of \$5,432,972 to Butterfli Technologies, partial award of \$292,788 to World Transportation, and award of \$130,000 to the City of Whittier.

Next Steps



- Execute Funding Agreement with Butterfli Technologies, Inc., the City of Whittier, and World Transportation
- Monitor project implementation
- Continue quarterly data collection and reporting to the CPUC
- Conduct solicitations in the future for the remaining funding years