

# Section 5310 Grant Workshop September 2025

# Agenda

# **Greater Region Mobility Initiative Vision**

Promote regional mobility by identifying and addressing transportation barriers.



# **Greater Region Mobility Initiative Mission**

Aim to improve transportation services for those experiencing transportation barriers in an eight-county region through expanded outreach, shared resources, enhanced services, and improved coordination.



# **Greater Region Mobility Alliance**

Bring together public, private, not-for-profit transportation, human service providers and transportation users to advance the mission and vision of the Greater Region Mobility Initiative.



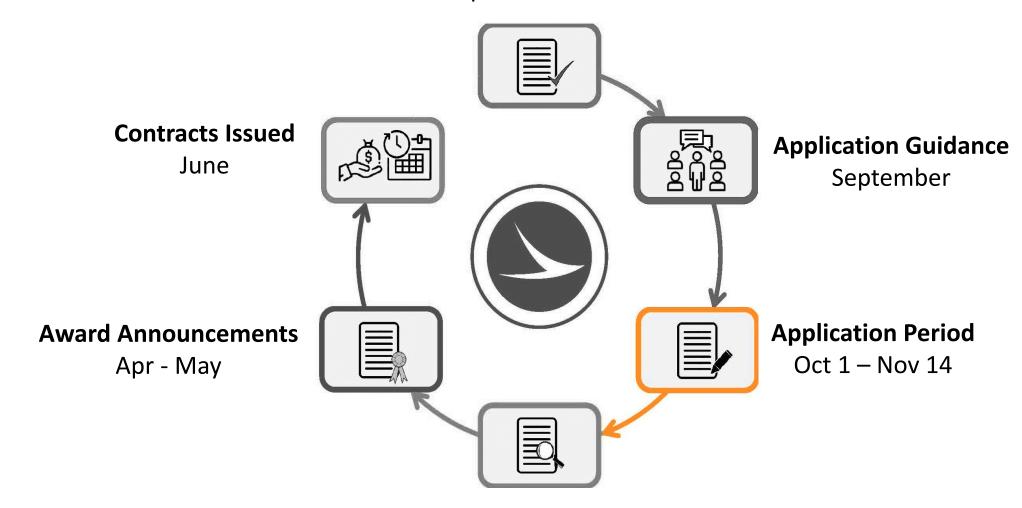
#### **Welcome & Introductions**



#### **ODOT Grant Timeline**

#### **Letter of Intent**

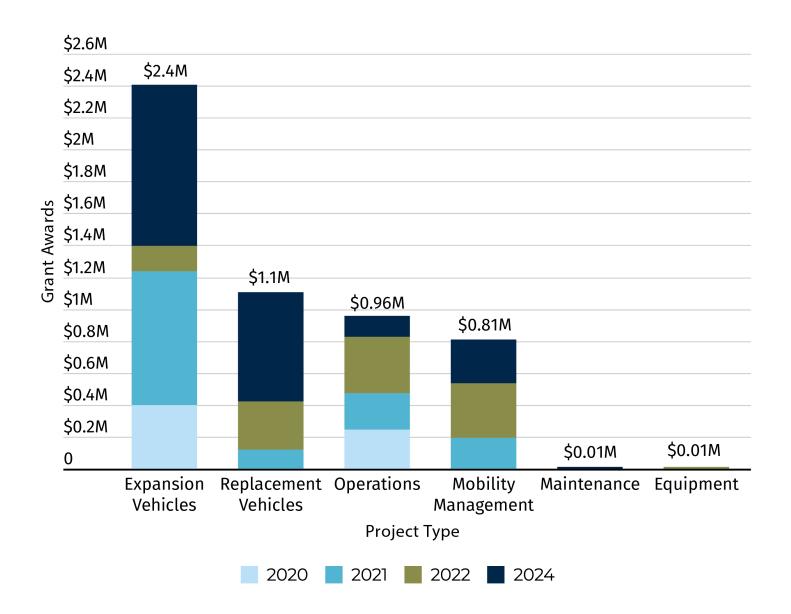
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**Application Review** 

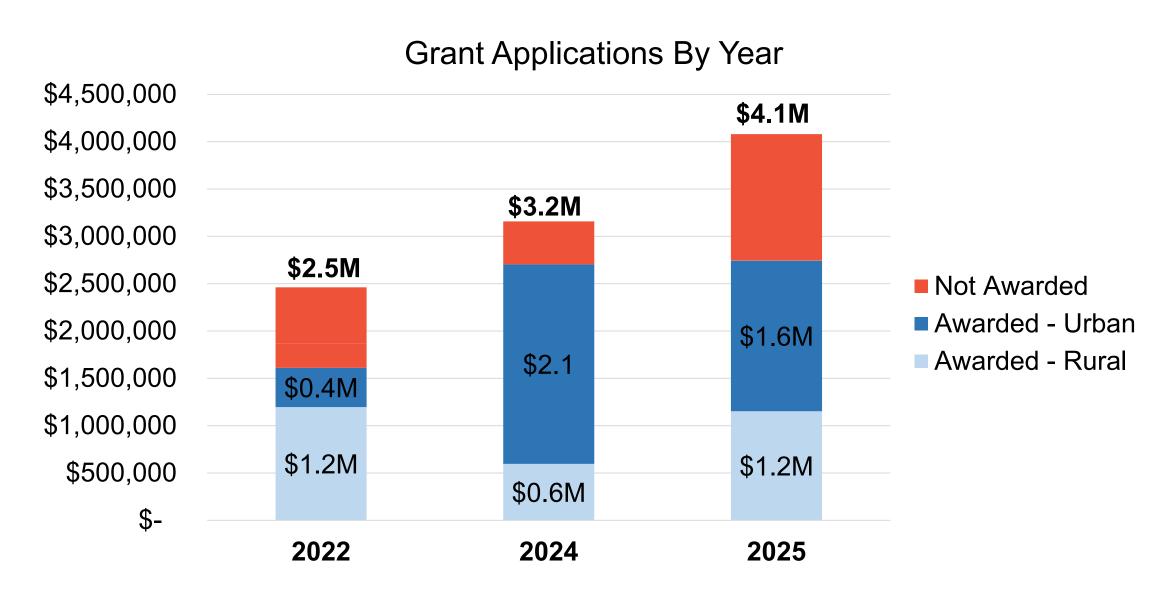
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#### **Section 5310 Grants**





## Section 5310 Applications (approx. 30% increase annually)





## **Coordinated Planning**

- 1. All projects must be included in the plan (align with Chapter 5: Goals and Strategies)
- Requires active participation in quarterly meetings (review Chapter 4: Recommendations, Roles, & Responsibilities)



www.mvrpc.org/mobility

# **Technical Support**



## **Demographics Data**



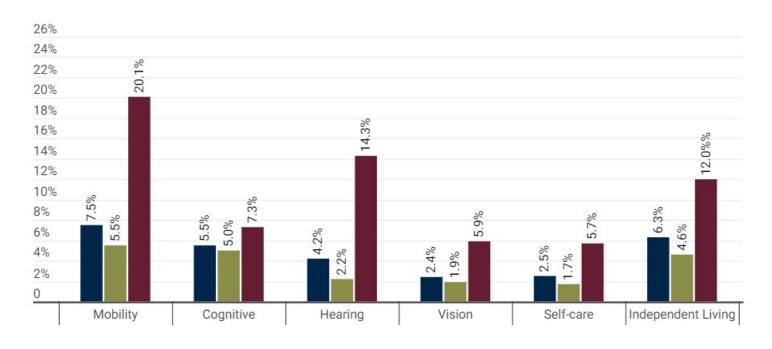
www.mvrpc.org/mobility/demographics

The Greater Region has 162,694 adults 18+ living with a disability, this equals to 14.3% of total population

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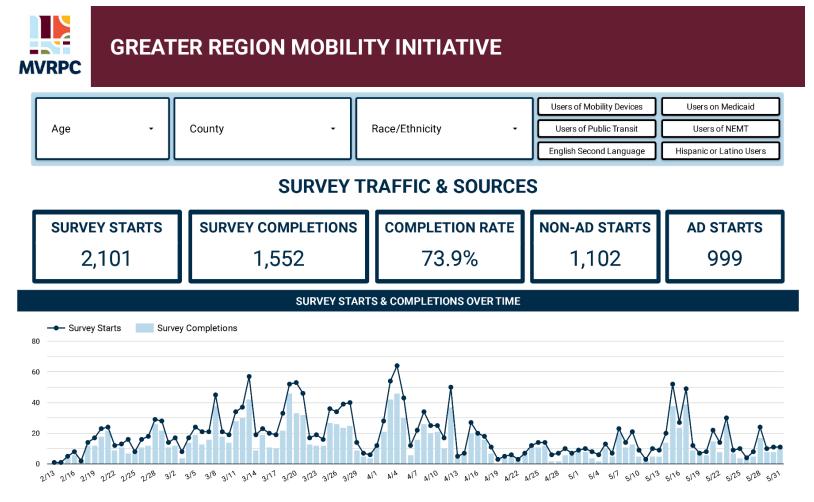
**1** in 3

Older adults living in the Greater Region are 2.5x more likely to be living with a disability



## **Survey Data**





http://www.mvrpc.org/mobility/survey

## **Bi-annual Reports**

4,686,537

Miles Traveled (SUM)

172,995

One-Way Trips: Seniors (SUM)

326,672

One-Way Trips: Individuals with Disabilities (SUM)

45,717

One-Way Trips: Other (SUM)

541,212

Total Trips (SUM)

1,322,683

Maintenance Costs (SUM)

288

Number of Crashes (SUM)

19

Average Miles Traveled / Trip
(AVG)

4

Average Days Operated / Week (AVG)

6

Average Trips / Day (AVG)

1,228

Average Trips / Year (AVG)

63

Average Miles Traveled / Day (AVG)

12,183

Average Miles Traveled / Year (AVG)

694

Average Maintenance Costs / Month (AVG) 88

Average Gallons of Gas / Month (AVG)

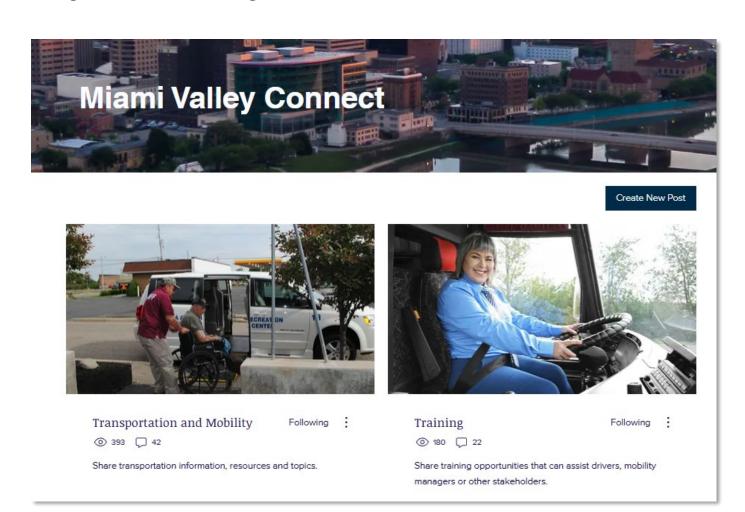
# Open Grant Support Office Hours Mon & Fri 2-3 pm





https://doodle.com/bp/serenaanderson1/section-5310-office-hours

# Are you a member of the Miami Valley Connect discussion forum? Are you interested in joining? If you are, do you find the forum valuable?



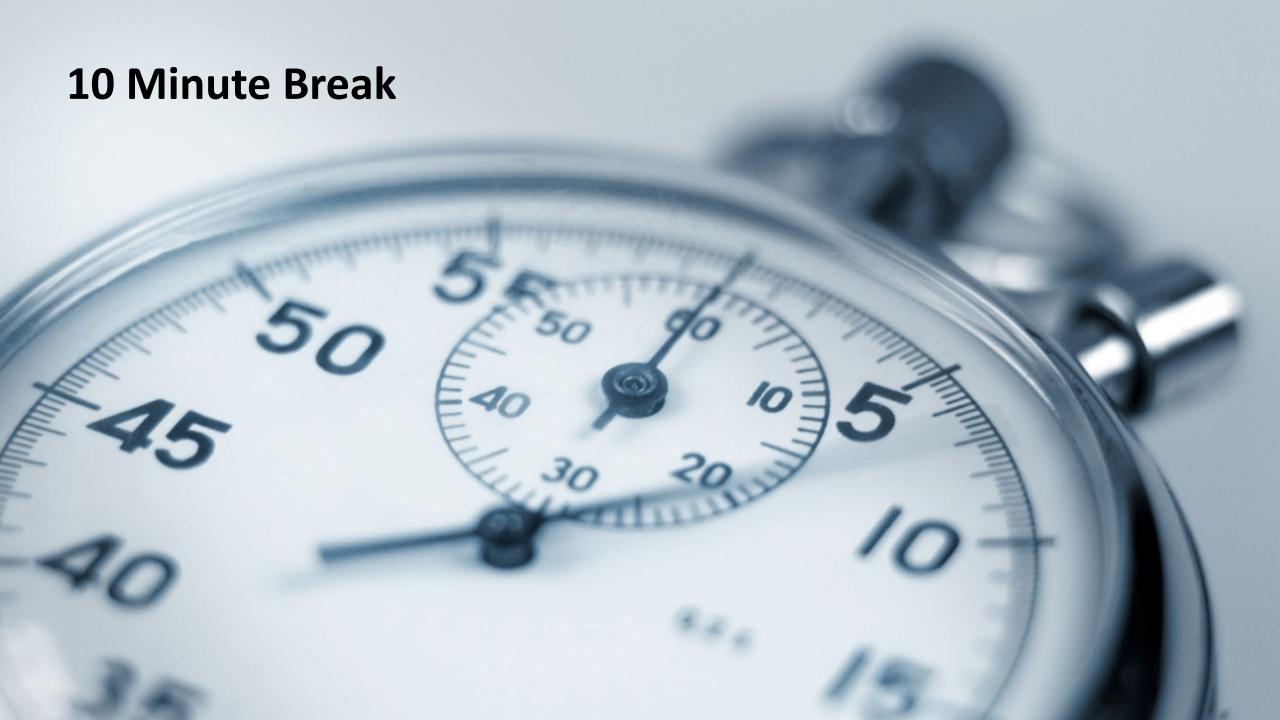


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#### How can we help you?







### **ODOT SECTION 5310 SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION**





























Kierra Branch, 5310 Program





#### **5310 AGENDA ITEMS**

- Purpose of grant
- Coordinated Planning
- Section 5310 Eligible projects
- ODOT Applications Cycle
- Questions



#### **PURPOSE OF THE GRANT**

- To enhance the mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanded the transportation services planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special transportation needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities.
  - Seniors are defined as any person age 65 or above and;
  - The term "disability" means, with respect to an individual-
    - A physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities of an individuals;
    - A record of such an impairment; or
    - Being regarded as having such an impairment



#### **COORDINATED PLANS**

- To identify community resources for transportation and mobility, understand the gaps and unmet needs within those resources, and to determine the approach to addressing those gaps and unmet needs.
- Projects required to be included for 5310 funding
- Coordinated Plans must be ODOT-approved following ODOT's Coordinated Plan Template and Guidance:
  - http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/Transit/Pages/LocallyDevelopedCoordinatedPlans.aspx
- Lead Agency



#### **ELIGIBLE PROJECTS**

- Vehicles
- Computer hardware and/or software and equipment to support vehicles that serve the program purpose
- Preventative maintenance for 5310 funded vehicles
- Operating Assistance



#### **VEHICLES**

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- Vehicles are to be used for program-related needs for which the Section 5310 grant is made.
- It is crucial that sub-recipients comply with all contractual requirements for the use of the vehicle until disposition of the vehicle is approved by ODOT.
- If the vehicle is no longer needed for the original project purpose, then please contact ODOT immediately.

#### **VEHICLE ORDERING PROCESS**

- Each sub-recipient will fill out a vehicle confirmation worksheet (VCW) for each vehicle.
- Once the sub-recipient has returned the VCW with agency and vendor signature, then an ODOT staff member will prepare a contract and local share invoice.
- The sub-recipient has 30 days to submit the signed contract and local share payment. If we do not receive the signed contract and payment within 30 days, the vehicle funding will no longer be available.
- 180 days



#### **AVAILABLE VEHICLES**

#### VEHICLE SELECTION GUIDE: 2023-2026 Vehicle Catalog and Selection Guide | Ohio Department of

#### **Transportation**

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**IMAGES OF OPTIONAL E** 

#### **ACCESSIBLE VAN (AV)**

This vehicle is larger than the modified minivan and is flexible enough to accommodate any combination of seven ambulatory passengers and two wheelchair passengers. The exterior of this vehicle has not been modified to make the vehicle accessible. Ambulatory passengers load from the side of the vehicle while passengers with mobility devices using the lift (wheelchairs, scooters, etc.) load from the rear of the vehicle. This vehicle is smaller, more maneuverable, and more fuel efficient than the Light Transit Vehicles (LTN, LTV, LTL). This vehicle does not require a CDL or special licensing.

#### Vehicle Summary:

- Capacity Options (ambulatory/non ambulatory): 7/2
- Wheelchair Accessible: Yes
- Length: 19'
- Width: 81.3"
- Height: 99.2"
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- · Road Conditions: Rear lift option may be difficult to use on curbsides
- Suggested Service Type: Demand Response
- Maintenance: Normal preventative maintenance with added care to accessibility components

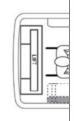
#### Standard Equipment:

- 3.7 Liter, V6 Engine
- OEM Single Battery Capacity
- 150-amp Alternator (OEM Standard)
- 25 Gallon Fuel Tank
- Sliding Side Door
- Adjustable Drivers Seat
- AM/FM Radio/Aux 4 speakers, 2 front and 2 back
- Back-up Camera in Rear-View Mirror
- · Rear Entry 800lb. Capacity Lift w/Securements

#### Optional Equipment:

- Rear Entry 1000lb. Capacity Lift w/Securements
- Oxygen Tank Securement system
- Storage area (medical walker)
- Color Paint

#### Floor Plan



#### **LIGHT TRANSIT V**

This vehicle uses a cuta designed full body pas large windows and one exterior appearance. T The LTN 8-2 can fit eig can fit six ambulatory

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#### **IMAGES OF OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT**



Single Passenger Seat w/Grab Rails



Three Step Fold Away, stowed position



Double Passenger Seats w/Grab Rails



Three Step Fold Away, seated position



Passenger Jump Seat

#### **VEHICLE REPORTING**

- ODOT sub-recipients are required to report on their 5310 funded vehicles semiannually
  - Report Period 1-January 1- June 30
    - Due July 30
  - Report Period 2- July 1- December 31
    - Due January 31
- ODOT will attempt to send reminders as a courtesy however we advise all subrecipients to mark their calendars and bookmark the link.
- Failure to report will result in a penalty on future 5310 funding opportunities
- https://odot.formstack.com/forms/vehiclemonitoringreport
- Sub-recipients are required to report on their vehicle until it has met its useful life as defined by ODOT.



#### **VEHICLE DISPOSITION**

- Once a 5310 vehicle has met its useful life, the sub-recipient will fill out a disposition request and submit the form to ODOT.
- Formstack: <a href="https://odot.formstack.com/forms/disposition-request-form">https://odot.formstack.com/forms/disposition-request-form</a>
- ODOT will review the request and determine if it is eligible for disposition.
  - If approved, then ODOT will send a release of lien letter and the title to the sub-recipient.
  - If denied, then the agency can resubmit, once it is eligible for disposition. Remember if the vehicle disposition is denied, then the sub-recipients has to continue to report on the vehicle.



### **DISPOSITION GUIDELINES**

#### ODOT Vehicle Disposition Guidelines

As of October 1, 2022

Vehicles Purchased Prior to 2006										
Vehicle	4 years & 100,000 miles	5 years & 120,000 miles	10 Years (5310 ONLY) *	120,000 miles	150,000 miles					
Sedans	x		X	Х						
Minivans (SMV & MMV)	x		X	Х						
Converted Van (CV)		х	x		X					
LTL/LTN		X	X		X					
LTV		X	X		X					

Vehicles Purchased After 2006										
Vehicle	5 years & 130,000 miles	6 years & 150,000 miles	7 years & 180,000 miles	10 Years (5310 ONLY)*	165,000 miles	200,000 miles	230,000 miles			
Vans (SMV, CV, MMV, & MV-1)	х			х	х					
AV/LTN		X		X		X				
LTL/LTV			X	X			X			

<sup>\*</sup> For any 5310 vehicles not disposed of at the 5/6/7 year or 150k/200k/230k benchmarks, automatic disposition will be granted and the agency will be the sent the title.



# CAPITALIZED MAINTENANCE



#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- All maintenance cost related to active 5310 funded vehicles are eligible.
- Capitalized Maintenance is defined as all activities, supplies, materials, labor, services, and associated cost required to preserve and extend the functionality and serviceability of the vehicle.
- The Uniformed System of Accounts (USOA) can be referenced when trying to determine eligible activities under capitalized maintenance.
  - uniform-system-accounts-usoa-effective-fy18 0.pdf (dot.gov)





#### REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS

- Sub-recipients submit invoices to ODOT quarterly.
- Invoices due dates are as follows:
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    - August 31



# **EQUIPMENT**



#### **ELIGIBILITY AND LOCAL SHARE**

- Computer Hardware, computer software, and equipment that support 5310 funded vehicles and/or operations that seek to remove transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities.
  - Example: Radios for buses, scheduling and dispatching software, office equipment
- ODOT will <u>reimburse</u> 80% of the total project cost **up to** the contract amount.
  - Example 1: ABC Transit was awarded \$2,500 in federal 5310 funds to purchase radios for their vehicle fleet based on an estimated total project cost of \$3,125.00. The final total project cost of the radios was \$5,000. 80% of \$5,000 is \$4,000, however ABC Transit can only be reimbursed \$2,500 per their federal award and contract.
  - Example 2: ABC Transit was awarded \$2,500 in federal 5310 funds to purchase radios for their vehicle fleet based on an estimated total project cost of \$3,125.00. The final total project cost of the radios was \$3,000. They can only be reimbursed 80% of the total project cost or \$2,400 even though their award was for \$2,500.
- In both examples, the radios must be <u>procured and purchased</u> by ABC transit **before** ODOT will issue the funds. Projects will only be reimbursed if all steps of the procurement process were completed successfully.





#### **PROCUREMENT**

- Micro Purchases
- **Small Purchases**

Large Purchases

Up to \$10,000

\$10,000.01 - \$49.999

\$50.000 +

representatives.

Signature:

#### PROCUREMENT CHECKLIST FOR ODOT OFFICE OF TRANSIT PROCUREMENT CHECKLIST PROCUREMENT CHECKLIST FOR ODOT OFFICE OF TRANSIT SUBRECIP LARGE Procurement (IFBs/RFPs): \$50,000 and above SMALL PURCHASES: \$10,000.01 to \$49,999 MICRO FTA procurement procedures at the Small level apply to purchases greater than \$3 Procurement procedures at the Micr than \$250,000. For compliance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC), the Small Purchase t procurement process: should be distributed equitably amo greater than \$10,000 to less than \$50,000. All required documentation along with of procurements to avoid larger-thre procurement checklist must be completed and submitted to ODOT with request for with an ODOT Representative prior t addition to following FTA regulations, subrecipients are responsible for following Reasonable Price Documentation Fo procurement policies of their governing entity and all applicable state and local re Date required documents and the signed Date Bacon Act applies to construction cor ODOT Pre-Approval Prior to Purchase Independent Cost Estimate (ICE) subrecipients are responsible for fol Complete Specifications w/ Required FTA Clauses and all applicable state and local reg Price Quotations Date Cost/Price Analysis Price/Cost Analysis Consult with ODOT Rep SAM Search Fair & Reasonable Price SAM Search Responsible Vendor Determination Davis-Bacon (Constructi Awarded Vendor's Proposal P.O. with Applicable FTA Clauses Invoice Invoice from vendor Delivery Receipt (Capita Delivery Receipt (Capital Items Only) P.O. Procurement Overview & Summary Form I certify that copies of all required do DBE Form submitted with the originals retaine Notice of Contract Claims & Resolutions (If applicable) representatives. Notice of Protests & Resolutions (If applicable) Davis Bacon (Construction Only) Signature: certify that copies of all required documents for this procurement have been con submitted with the originals retained on-site and readily accessible for review by ( representatives. certify that copies of all required documents for this procurement have been completed and Signature: Date: submitted with the originals retained on-site and readily accessible for review by ODOT / FTA

Procurement procedures at the Large level apply to purchases greater than or equal to \$50,000. per ORC regulations. Large purchases are procured through either Invitations For Bid (IFB) or Requests For Proposals (RFP). Purchases at this level must be discussed with an ODOT Rep. prior to engaging in procurement. Concurrence by ODOT is required at 3 steps in the 1) Approval of bid/proposal package; 2) Approval of vendor recommendation; 3) Approval of contract documents. ODOT's oversight of large procurements provides guidance throughout the process and ensures that FTA requirements are followed. In addition to following FTA regulations, subrecipients are responsible for following the procurement Discuss procurement with ODOT Rep Independent Cost Estimate Complete Specifications Written Selection Procedures (included in solicitation) Complete Solicitation Package with Applicable FTA Clauses Included Advertisement & Public Notice ODOT Concurrence on Bid/Proposal Package and Process Emails to Potential Vendors & Proof of Advertisement Publication Bid Opening Form/Record of Proposals Submitted Responsiveness Determination Bid/Proposal Rejection Explanation (if any) Responsible Vendor Determination Bid Tabulation/Selection of Lowest Price (IFB) Evaluation Rating Sheets & Summary (RFP) Recommended Vendor's Proposal ODOT Concurrence on Recommended Yendor Sound and Complete Agreement Applicable FTA Clauses in Contract Contract Mods (In Scope) Attorney Approval of Contract Documentation of Board (or Authorized Governing Entity) Approval Delivery Receipt (Capital Items Only) Procurement Overview & Summary Form Notice of Protests & Resolutions (If Applicable) Notice of Contract Claims & Resolutions (If Applicable) Davis-Bacon (Construction) Copies of Bonds (Construction) Buy America (Bus & Rolling Stock) Evidence of Negotiations w/ Highest Ranked Suppliers & Ranking Based on Technical Capability Only (A&E) ODOT Concurrence on Contract

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# **OPERATING**



## **ELIGIBILITY AND LOCAL SHARE**

- ODOT will reimburse 50% of the operating cost and the local provides 50% of the operating cost
- Limited to no public transportation in service area
- Operating expenses are those cost necessary to operate, maintain, and manage the transportation service
  - Drivers' salaries
  - Fuel
  - Items having a useful life of less than one year
- Operating Recipients must provide "open-door" service to receive operating assistance
  - 1. Does your agency provide transportation to and from your facility?
  - 2. Do you ONLY provide transportation to a particular clientele?
  - 3. Can anyone in your service area, whether it be based on age, disability or other, request transportation through your agency?





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## **APPLICATION**



#### **ODOT FUNDING CYCLE**

September 1, 2025 - September 12, 2025 Letter of The LOI is a brief form that collects information about applicant's Intent organization and location to determine eligibility prior to the funding cycle starting. September 2025 Application Application guidance will be released to educate potential applicants on Guidance how to access and complete the application. October 1, 2025 Application Applicants can begin entering data into the funding application. Opens Applications are available for 6 weeks. November 14, 2025 Application ODOT will close the application after 6 weeks. No application will be Closes accepted after this deadline. ODOT November 2025 - February 2026 Review ODOT staff will review all applications. Returning applicants will need to begin the 2 CFR 200 process with ODOT Office of External Audits. Period Awards March 2026 Selection & Awards will take approximately three weeks to move through all internal approval processes prior to announcement. Approval Award April 2026 - May 2026 Notifications & Applicants will receive an email with the results of their funding requests. **Exit Interviews** June 2026 Program Kick-Successful applicants will receive information on how to successfully Off Guidance implement the projects they were awarded. June 2026 Contracts Contracts will be executed for the approved scope of work the month prior Issued to the period of performance beginning.



#### DAYTON UZA APPORTIONMENT HISTORY

\*Dayton UZA Funding Available to Miami, Montgomery, & Greene Counties

- Approx 1.5 million
- Approx 3.4 million for rural areas (i.e., Darke, Preble, Shelby, Champaign, Clark)



### **PROJECT SELECTION**

- Competitive Process
- Scoring in place
- ➤ Point system



### **PROJECT SCORING & APPLICATION SUCCESS**

#### Demonstration of Need

Public Transit System

#### Project Readiness

- Managerial Capacity to implement the project
- Detailed Project Goals

#### Funding Capacity

Local match sources available

#### Coordination

Project address unmeet needs and goals within Regional Plan

#### Individual score

• Capital, Operating, Vehicles, Equipment



#### 5310 WEBPAGE-

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#### **Transit**

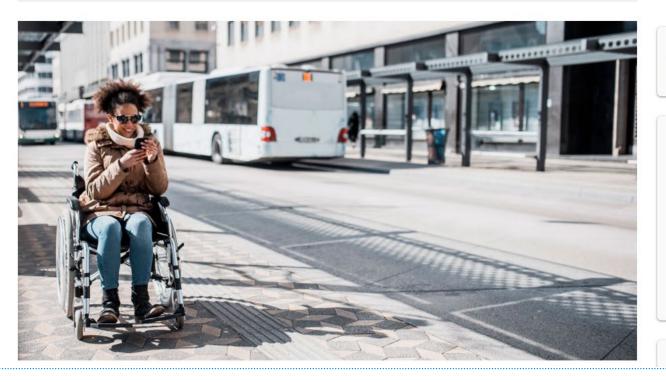
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# TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE REVIEW (TAR)



#### **TAR**

- Agencies are chosen based on a variety of risk factors, including number of grants, funded projects, reporting, and new administrative staff.
- Conducted on a tri-annual basis
- The TAR covers all 5310 awarded projects to ensure compliance with program guidelines.
- Federal, State, OSHA, and Title VI training and documentation requirements are also reviewed.
- A questionnaire to be completed by the agency will be sent approximately three weeks to be returned to ODOT one week before the site visit.
- After the review, the agency will be sent an official report with an Action Plan. Any deficiencies identified within the report will need to be completed within the stated timeframe.





## **QUESTIONS**



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