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FTA 5310 Grant Announcement

TO: BCDCOG Member Governments

Operators of Local Public Transportation Systems

Operators of Local Human Service/Specialized Transportation Systems

Operators of Private Transportation Services

FROM: Ronald E. Mitchum, Executive Director

DATE: March 9, 2016

RE: Availability of FFY 2015 & 2016 funding for projects eligible under the FTA Section 5310 – Enhanced

Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program

BCDCOG is soliciting applications for financial assistance to support local public transportation programs and projects in the region's urbanized area. These funds are administered by the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for projects eligible under the FTA Section 5310 - Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and People with Disabilities.

The BCDCOGs overarching goal in managing the Section 5310 funds in the Census designated urbanized area is to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities throughout the country by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available. Toward this goal, the BCDCOG will provide assistance for transportation services planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special transportation needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities.

The announcement packet and application for this FTA grant is available on the BCDCOG Website: http://www.bcdcog.com.

This is a *reimbursable*, matching grant program to fund projects that increase transportation options for seniors and individuals with disabilities residing within the BCD region's urbanized communities. An overview of the program's guidelines is available at:

http://www.fta.dot.gov/documents/5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Disabled Fact Sheet.pdf

Completed applications are due to the BCDCOG office by April 6, 2016 at 5:00 PM. If further assistance is needed, please contact Ryan McClure, Planner II at 843.529.0400 ext. 224 or via email at ryanm@bcdcog.com.