

MEMORANDUM

TO: Operators of Local Public Transportation Systems
Councils of Governments
Metropolitan Planning Organizations
South Carolina Association of Counties
Municipal Association of South Carolina
State Human Service Agencies
Transportation Association of South Carolina

FROM: Johnny Mmanuiké, Director, Office of Public Transit 

DATE: February 1, 2017

SUBJECT: Announcement of State Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Human Service Transit Programs Assistance –Call for Projects (Partial Apportionments)

The South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is pleased to announce the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017-2018 call for projects for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) "Partial Apportionments" for the *Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities* (Section 5310) program. This call for projects announces:

Section 5310—Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individual with Disabilities (FAST-Act) (Rural and Small Urbanized Areas)

This Program Announcement utilizes the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 funding authorized under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act and is partially appropriated as currently authorized by the United States Congress as published by FTA in the Federal Register.

This Program, as authorized under the provisions set forth in MAP-21, consolidated Section 5310 and Section 5317 Programs, as previously defined by the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The program no longer provides single apportionments to the State; however, it now provides apportionments specifically for large urbanized, small urbanized and rural areas. **SCDOT administers the Small Urbanized and Rural areas apportionments only.** These components will assist with improving mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities and will continue under the FAST-Act. The matching requirements are: capital assistance is provided on an 80 percent federal share, 20 percent local share for Purchase of Services; and 85 percent federal share, 15 percent local share for Vehicles Purchases.



Section 5310 Timeline

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| ➤ Applications due to SCDOT and Regional Council of Governments | March 1, 2017 |
| ➤ COG Recommendations due to OPT (Pending Board Approval) | March 22, 2017 |
| ➤ OPT Commission Approval | May & June 2017 |
| ➤ FTA Grant Submittal | June |
| ➤ OPT Contract Awards | Pending Grant Approval |

Applications for any or all programs can be submitted prior to the posted due dates. Funding is available for Rural and Small Urbanized Area projects for all programs announced. Applicants providing service in multiple program areas must submit a separate application for Rural and Small Urbanized area projects. Upon final approval by the SCDOT Commission, successful applicants will be contacted by e-mail to request required signature documentation. The project period of performance is SFY2017-2018 (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018); however, you must have pre-award authority or an executed contract from OPT, before your project can begin.

For Additional Information

Contact Ms. Lavern Glover, Program Manager, at (803) 737-0670 or GloverLP@scdot.org. You may also visit SCDOT's website at <http://www.scdot.org/getting/publicTransit.aspx> (*Funding Announcements*) to download additional program information and project applications.

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cc: Office of Public Transit Staff, SCDOT

File: OPT