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# **FY2025-2029 Draft Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan**

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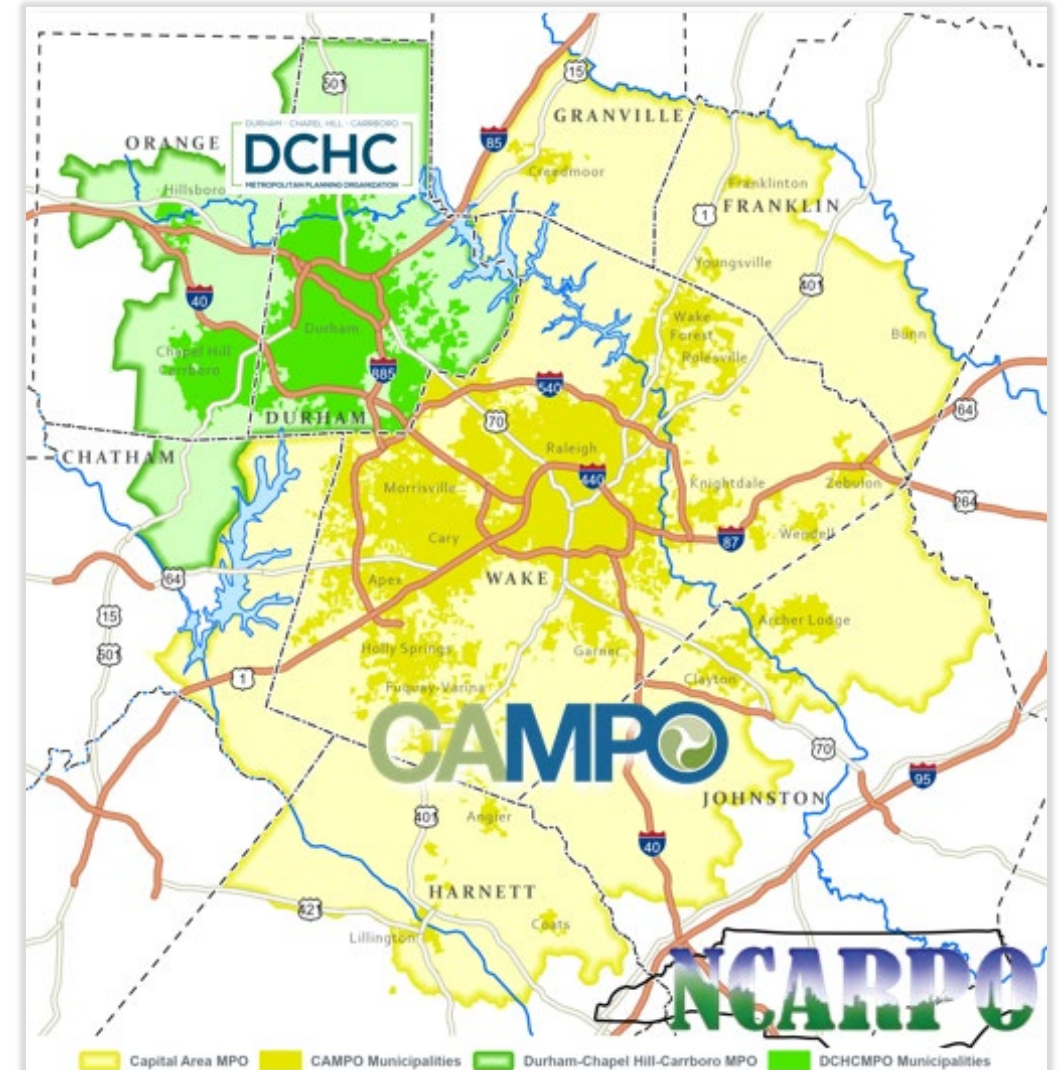
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- Updated every 5 years (last adopted June 2019)
- Transportation-Disadvantaged Communities
  - Older adults (65+)
  - Low income
  - Individuals with disabilities
- Projects must be in this plan to qualify for Section 5310 funds. Recipients of 5307 funds must also be covered by a coordinated plan.
- Intended to Improve mobility by removing barriers to transportation and expanding options



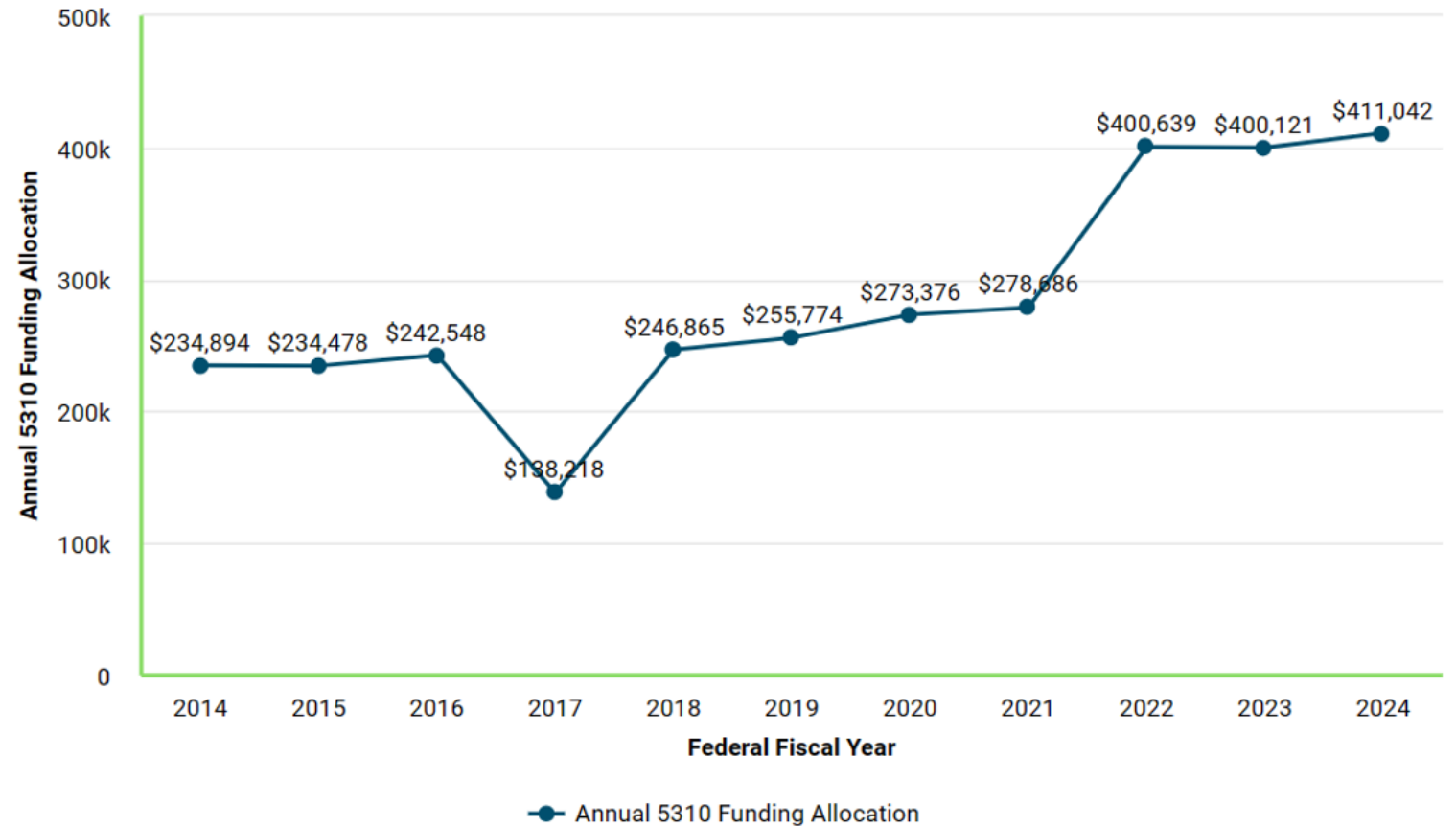
# Coordinated Planning Logistics

- DCHC MPO
  - Plan covered Durham urbanized area
  - City of Durham is Section 5310 recipient
  - Section 5307 recipients: GoDurham, GoTriangle, Orange County, Chapel Hill Transit, Wake County
- CAMPO
  - Plan covers Raleigh urbanized area
  - City of Raleigh is Section 5310 recipient
- Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs)
  - NCDOT: Statewide Locally Coordinated Plan Update – plans recently taken over by state
  - (NCARPO is North Carolina Association of RPOs)



- Eligible project examples
  - Traditional
    - › Buses and vans
    - › Wheelchair lifts and ramps
    - › Mobility management programs
  - Non-traditional
    - › Travel training
    - › Volunteer driver programs
    - › Signage and wayfinding improvements

Annual Section 5310 Funding Apportionments for the Durham Urbanized Area



Source: [Apportionments | FTA \(dot.gov\)](#)

# Inventory of Services

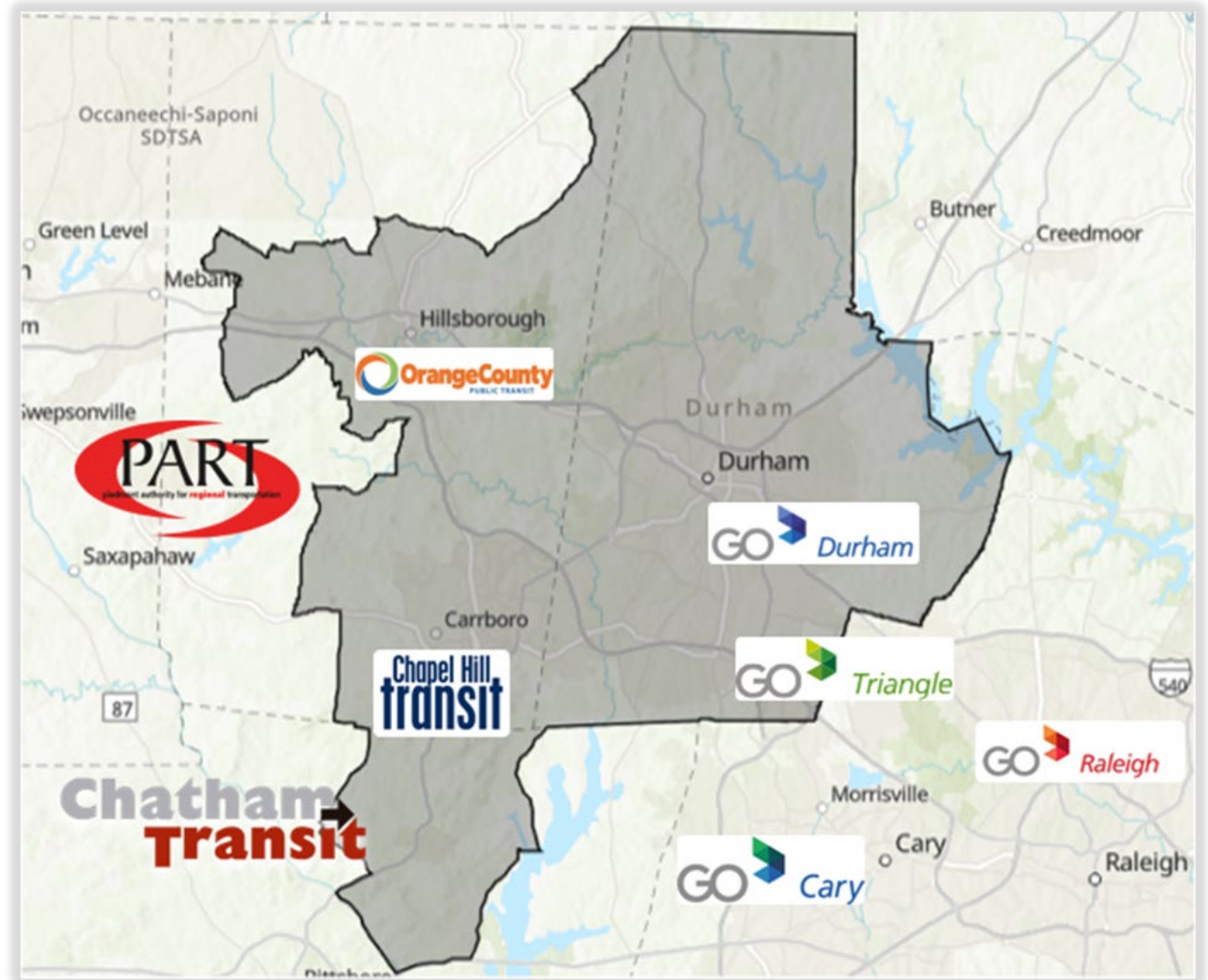
- Service Types

- Public

- › Fixed Route
- › ADA Paratransit
- › Demand Response

- Private

- › Examples include UNC Chapel Hill, Uber and Lyft, Lincoln Community Health Center



- Identified and invited around 100 stakeholder groups
- Provided overview of the Coordinated Plan and of existing transit services
- Process
  - Identify needs and gaps in services
  - Identify strategies, activities, and projects to address those needs/gaps
  - Prioritize strategies, activities, and projects

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## Coordinated Plan Workshop

20 MINUTES	Welcome & Introductions
15 MINUTES	Background and Overview of Plan
20 MINUTES	Overview of Existing Transit Services
20 MINUTES	Identify Transportation Needs and Gaps in Service
20 MINUTES	Identify Strategies, Activities, and Projects to Address Gaps
15 MINUTES	Prioritize Strategies, Activities, and Projects Based on Available Resources
10 MINUTES	Wrap Up and Next Steps

**AGENDA**

**SECTION 5310 FUNDS**

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO) receives around \$275,000 per year in 5310 funds. These funds are used for enhanced mobility of **seniors** and **individuals with disabilities**. Projects selected to receive these funds must be derived from a locally developed, **Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan**, also known as a coordinated plan. Human services transportation that is provided by or on behalf of a human services agency for access to agency services or to meet basic, day-to-day mobility needs of these communities, are eligible to receive funds.

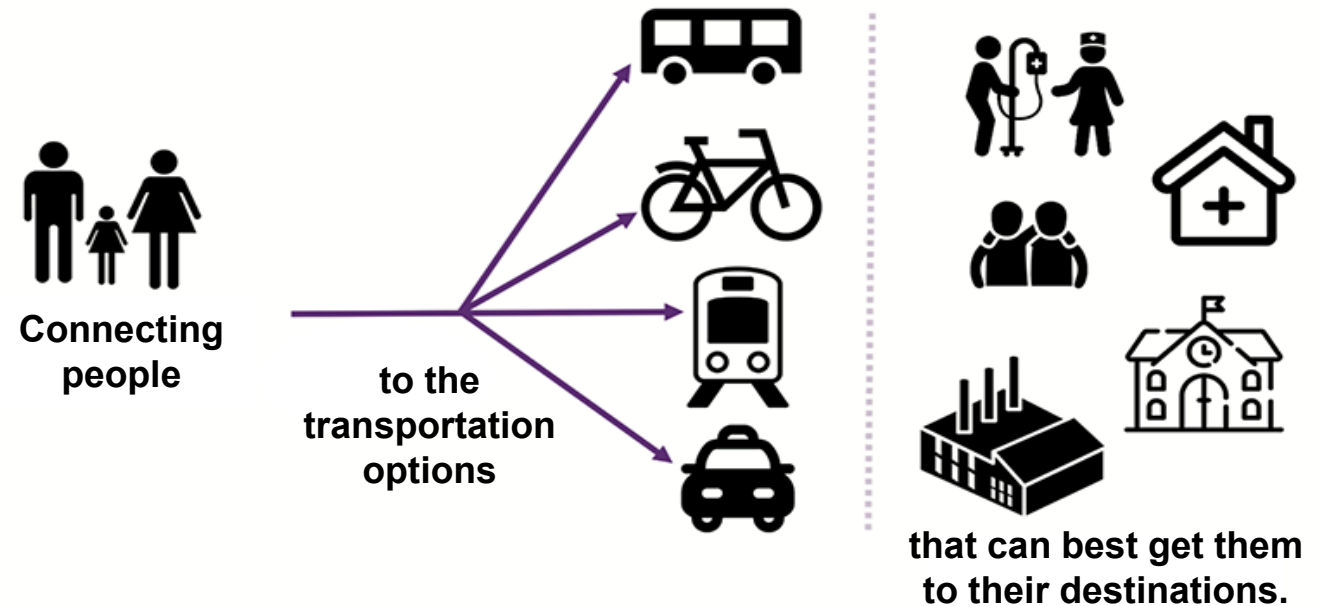
**DEFINITIONS**

**Coordinated Plan**  
A locally developed, coordinated transportation plan that identifies the transportation needs of older adults (65+), individuals with disabilities, and those with low incomes, provides strategies for meeting these needs, and prioritizes services for funding and implementation.

**Public Transportation**  
Regular, continuing shared-ride services that are open to the general public or a segment of the general public (excludes Amtrak, school buses, courtesy shuttles, & sightseeing buses)

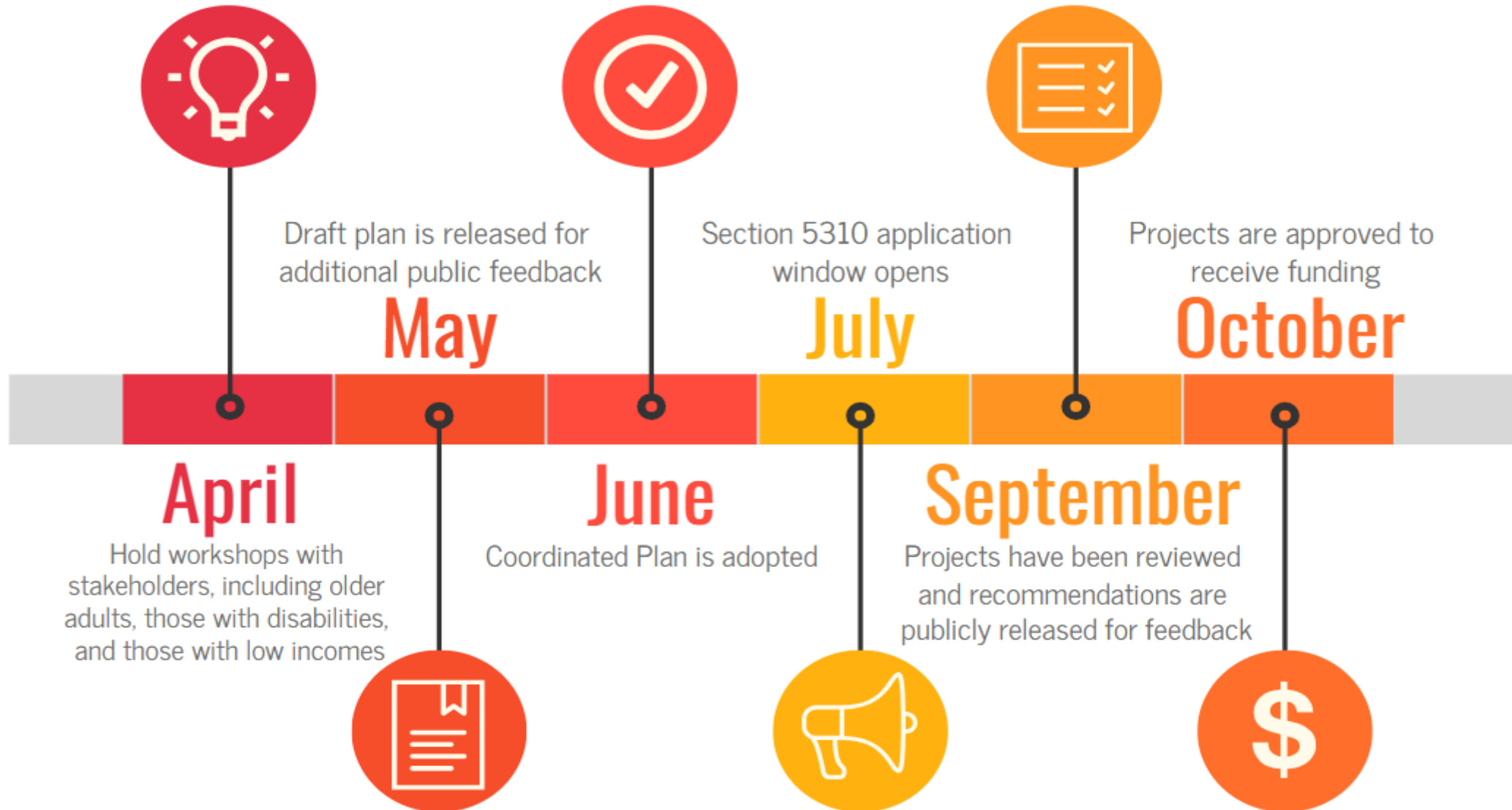
# Recommendations

- Needs and gaps from last plan are still relevant
  - Coordination/Mobility Hub for Human Services and Public Transportation
  - Expanded Transportation Services
  - Expanded Education Services
  - Application Process Improvements (passengers applying for service)
  - Bus Stop Access Improvements
- Mobility management is needed across the region for better coordination of services, especially across county lines



Source: <https://www.fairfieldcounty211.org/mobility-management/>

# Next Steps





# Questions?

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