

DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL-CARRBORO
METROPOLITAN PLANNING
ORGANIZATION

Section 5310 Grant
Enhanced Mobility of
Seniors & Individuals
with Disabilities

FTA 5310 GRANT

Objectives:

1. Provide an overview of the 5310 grant
2. Explain the City of Durham/MPO's responsibility.
3. 5310 Grant funding levels & the 2020 Call for Projects.
4. Recommended Program of Projects

FTA Section 5310

Overview

Purpose

To improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities, by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available.



Goals:

1. Increase public transit projects planned, designed, and carried out for seniors/disabled.
2. Increase public transit projects that exceed ADA requirements.
3. Improve access to fixed-route services and decrease reliance on paratransit.
4. Provide alternatives to public transit.



Changes to FTA 5310

Permitted Activities

Traditional Activities

*At least **55%** of grant*

Capital Expenses (such as):

- Vehicle purchase*
- Vehicle rehabilitation
- Mobility Management
- Transportation services under contract
- Coordination amongst transit providers
- Passenger facilities & amenities

Non-Traditional Activities

*Up to **45%** of grant*

Exceed ADA & Improve Access (such as):

- Expansion of paratransit service hours or service beyond $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of fixed-route
- Equipment exceeding ADA ratings
- Door-to-door service or escorts
- More securement stations on buses
- Accessibility enhancements (sidewalks or wayfinding technology)
- Alternatives to public transportation

Eligible Recipients

Traditional Recipients

- 1) Private, non-profit organizations.
- 2) State or local governmental authorities approved by the state to:
coordinate services for
seniors & individuals w/
disabilities.

Non- Traditional Recipients

- 1) Private, non-profit organizations.
- 2) State or local governmental authorities approved by the state to coordinate services for seniors & individuals with disabilities.
- 3) Operators of public transportation (including private operators and taxicab programs).

Designated Recipient Role



Designated Recipient (DR)

- ✓ DR for 5310 Grant on behalf of DCHC MPO
- ✓ Officially designated as principal authority by the FTA
- ✓ Council approves GPO
- ✓ Fiscal management & accounting

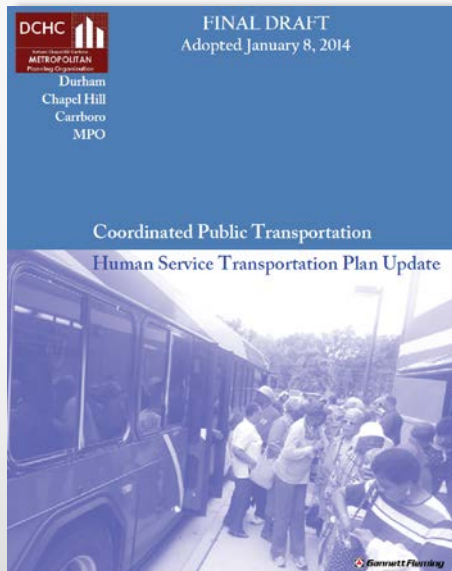


Lead Planning Agency (LPA)

- ✓ Responsible for grant administration & oversight of sub-recipients
- ✓ Updates Program Management Plan
- ✓ Develops project selection criteria
- ✓ Updates locally coordinated plan
- ✓ Accounting & grant compliance
- ✓ Program of Projects

The FTA requires that 5310 grant projects be derived from a locally coordinated plan, such as the 2013 CPT-HSTP Update.

1. **Education & Outreach** Improved information to riders and potential riders
2. **Better & Safer Access to Fixed-route Services** Improved infrastructure to access, wait, & transfer to existing bus service
3. **Coordination & Cooperation** Better coordination among all providers of transit
4. **Alternative Funding** Focus on non-traditional sources of funding to expand services
5. **Rural-Urban Connections** Increase services to areas with lower densities

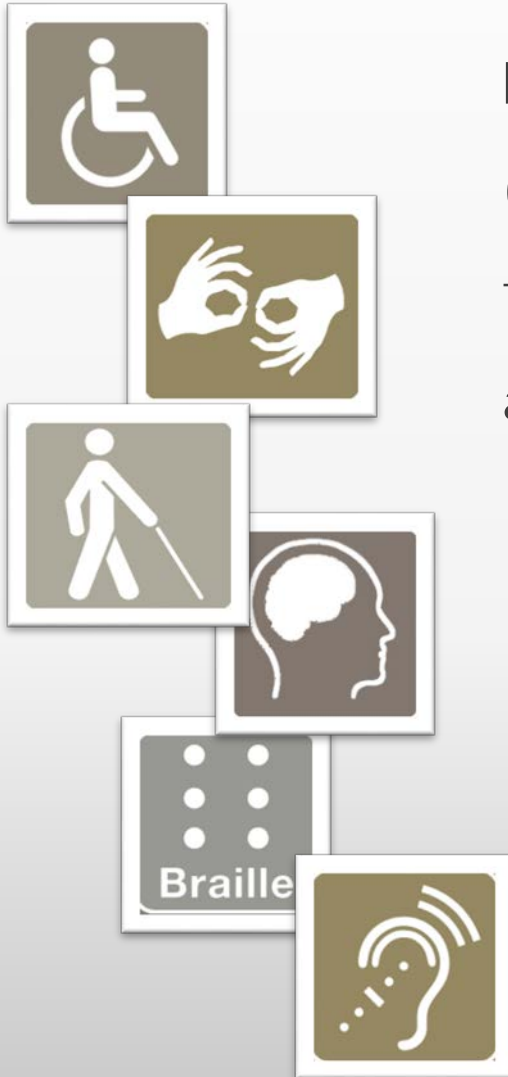


2013 Coordinated Public
Transportation – Human
Services Transportation Plan
(CPT-HSTP) Update

Program Management Plan

FTA requires a **Program Management Plan** (PMP) to document the process used by the City of Durham/MPO to solicit, select, award, and administer funds.

- Serves a guidance for project selection & monitoring
- Must be approved by FTA prior to grant award



2020 Call for Projects

Federal Funding Available for this call \$529,150

4/22/2020 TC receives schedule/Notification of 2020 Call for Projects.

5/13/2020 Board receives schedule/Notification of 2020 Call for Projects

5/22/2020 Begin Advertising & Solicitation for applications

6/25/2020 5310 Grant Application Workshop scheduled

Time: 8:30am – 10:30am

Location: Virtual

7/13/2020 Application deadline: 4pm

8/10/2020 Staff reviews and scores proposals.

8/26/2020 TC action on FY2020 Program of Projects recommendations.

9/9/2020 Board action on FY2020 Program of Projects recommendations.

9/30/2020 Funding recipients receive notification

10/5/2020 Council approves GPO

