



PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and
Individuals with Disabilities

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Federal Program Funding

- Each year TxDOT receives approximately \$6.5 million in Federal Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program Funding for the rural and small urban areas across the state.
- The purpose of this meeting is to help TxDOT and local public transportation providers understand local needs and priorities

The Purpose of this Federal Program

The purpose of the federal Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program 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.”

- This program is also known as the Section 5310 Program (§5310).

The Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Plan is developed locally, and is intended to:

- **Identify the transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, seniors and people with low incomes**
- **Provide strategies for meeting those needs**
- **Prioritize transportation services for funding and implementation**

About §5310 Projects

- **Projects funded through this program must be in concurrence with the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Plan for the region.**
- **Projects must be designed to address a gap or objective identified and prioritized by the plan.**

Understanding the Funding

What Can These Grants Pay For?

- Accessible buses and vans
- Contracts for service with local transit providers
- Preventive maintenance
- Wheelchair lifts, ramps, and securement devices
- Sidewalk ramps and bus shelters
- Computer hardware and software
- Communications equipment
- Mobility management programs
- Day-to-day operations

Who Is Eligible To Apply For Funding through TxDOT?

- **Private Non-profits**
- **Local Government Agencies**
- **Rural and Urban Transit Districts**
- **Private Shared-Ride Taxi Companies**

Not eligible to apply directly: Ride hailing services