



National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

Status Report on 2014 Solicitation for Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility Grants

Item 2

January 9,
2015





New FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility Program

- **MAP-21** Eliminated JARC and New Freedom and Section 5310 programs “Enhanced Mobility for Persons with Disabilities and Older Adults”
- **Program Goal:** “Improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities....by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options available”
- Approximately \$2.8 million annually in Federal \$ for the Washington DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area
 - Match: 50% Operating; 20% Capital
 - 55% must be spent on Capital



Updated Coordinated Plan

- TPB Human Service Transportation Coordination Task Force oversaw Update to **“Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan”**
- Guide project selection and includes evaluation criteria
- TPB Adopted Final Document in November 2014



2014 Solicitation Details

- **Solicitation Details**

- August 28 through October 24
- New Web-based application
- Federal Funding Available: \$5.07 million
- Matching Funds required (20% capital; 50% operating)

- **Outreach**

- Approximately 1,200 organizations received notice
- Four pre-application conferences
 - 1 in MD, 1 in VA, 2 in DC



Priority Projects

- The 12 priorities include a range of project types:
 - Coordination Planning Efforts
 - Personal Mobility Counseling
 - Travel Training
 - Door-through-Door Service
 - Shuttles or Taxis to Address “last mile” Problems
 - Driver Training – Customer Service and Sensitivity
- Priority projects do not receive additional points in scoring process



Selection Process

- Selection Committee Chaired by TPB 1st Vice Chair Tim Lovain
- 11 applications scored using selection criteria established in Coordinated Plan
- 6 members from local agencies and one national organization representing disability, aging, transit and human service transportation coordination
- TPB Officers asked to concur with Selection Committee recommendations



Next Steps

- TPB Officer Concurrence
- Applicants Notified Jan 15
- TPB asked to approve Funding Recommendations on Jan 21
- Task Force develops priority projects for next solicitation
- Next Solicitation between August and October 2015



Questions?