

INFORMATION ITEM #9

**Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
Transportation Advisory Committee
Action Request**

Meeting Date March 16, 2023 Agenda Item Number: 9

Action Requested: Review of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Grant Program, Section 5307 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and Plans to Amend the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) for Fiscal Year 2022.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION: Attachments: Yes No X

The Winston-Salem Urban Area receives federal transportation funds to assist eligible agencies in meeting the transportation needs of disabled and elderly populations in the urbanized area under the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) grant program. In FY 2022, the Winston-Salem Urban Area MPO (WSUAMPO) received **\$530,832** in Section 5310 funding apportionment, with an additional **\$63,446** in COVID relief funds courtesy of the CRRSAA Grant. Additionally, the Winston-Salem Urban Area MPO (WSUAMPO) allocated **\$55,000** in funds to be awarded to agencies providing transportation for Section 5307-Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) purposes, with an additional **\$115,076** in American Relief Plan (ARPA) funds. These funds are allocated to transportation sub-recipients through a competitive process.

WSUAMPO received **eight (8)** applications for Section 5310 and **three (3)** applications for Section 5307-JARC for a total of **\$870,500 and \$125,000**, respectively. An external subcommittee from the City of Greensboro evaluated these applications based upon the criteria outlined in the 5310 and 5307 Program Management Plan. Prospective applicants were scored out of 100 points and received funding recommendations based upon their scores, requested amount and their ability to adhere to the criteria.

The recommendation for funding allocations also includes recommended approval of an amendment to the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP).

MPO staff issued a call for projects according to the schedule provided on the next page. Dates for execution are subject to change.

TAC Vote: Motion by: _____ **Second by:** _____

Vote: For _____ **Against** _____

Date	Step in the Call for Projects Process (2023)
January 9 th – 13 th	Legal Notices in Newspaper – Advertisement placed on Website
January 16 th - February 15th	30 Day Call for Projects
January 26th	Community Workshop and Information Session 1:30 PM – 3:30 PM
February 15th to February 28th	Review by External Sub-Committee
March-May 2023	Review and approval by the Winston-Salem Urban Area Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)
February - March 2023	Application Submission to FTA
April – May 2023	Execution of Sub-Recipient Contracts (subject to change based on date of grant approval by FTA)

RESOLUTION
APPROVING THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (FTA)
SECTION 5310 (ENHANCED MOBILITY OF SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH
DISABILITIES) AWARDS FOR ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022
FUNDS AND AMENDING THE WINSTON-SALEM URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN
TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (MTIP)

A motion was made by TAC member _____ and seconded by TAC member _____ for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Urban Area is a direct recipient of the Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities, Section 5310; and

WHEREAS, the Section 5310 program provides available federal resources to eligible agencies to assist with meeting the transportation needs of low-income, disabled and elderly populations; and

WHEREAS, the total available funding in the Winston Salem Urban Area for Section 5310 is **\$594,278** for Fiscal Year 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WSUAMPO) conducted a public workshop on January 19, 2023; held a 30-day call for projects January 11th – February 10th, 2023); and

WHEREAS, the WSUAMPO coordinated external reviews of eligible subrecipients' applications for funding by the Greensboro Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the WSUAMPO has recommended funding distribution to each eligible sub-recipient as shown on the attached list; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive and allocate the available Section 5310 funds, the 2020-2029 STIP and 2020-2029 Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) must be amended to include a total of **\$530,832** in Section 5310 funds, with an additional **\$63,446** provided by COVID relief funds (CRRSAA).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Winston Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization approves the recommended awarding of funds to agencies as shown in Attachment B under the Section 5310 grant program; and amends the Winston-Salem Urban Area Fiscal Year 2020-2029 MTIP to include a total of **\$594,278** in Section 5310 funds.

Adopted on this the 18th day of May, 2023.

Mike Horn, Chairman
Transportation Advisory Committee

Kelly Garvin, Secretary
Transportation Advisory Committee

RESOLUTION
APPROVING THE FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ADMINISTRATION (FTA)
FISCAL YEAR 2022 SECTION 5307 JOB ACCESS REVERSE COMMUTE (JARC)
GRANT AWARDS FOR ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS AND AMENDING THE WINSTON-
SALEM URBAN AREA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM (MTIP)

A motion was made by TAC member _____ and seconded by TAC member _____ for the adoption of the following resolution, and upon being put to a vote was duly adopted.

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Urban Area is a direct recipient of the Section 5307 grant funds from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant program; and

WHEREAS, for the 2022 Fiscal Year, the Transportation Advisory Committee allocated \$55,000 of those funds to be used for Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) programs; and

WHEREAS, the JARC program provides available federal resources to eligible agencies to assist with meeting the transportation needs of low-income, disabled, and elderly populations; and

WHEREAS, the Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WSUAMPO) conducted a public workshop on January 19, 2021; a 30-day call for projects (January 11, 2023 to February 10, 2023) and coordinated external review of two (2) submitted proposals for Section 5307, JARC funding by the Greensboro Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization); and

WHEREAS, the WSUAMPO has recommended funding distribution to each eligible subrecipient as shown on the attached list; and

WHEREAS, in order to receive and allocate the available Section 5307 funds the 2020-2029 STIP and 2020-2029 Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (MTIP) must be amended to include a total of **\$55,000** in FTA Section 5307 JARC funds, with an additional **\$115,076** in COVID relief funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Winston Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization approves the recommended awarding of funds as shown on Attachment B to agencies under the Section 5307 JARC; and amends the Winston-Salem Urban Area Fiscal Year 2020-2029 MTIP to include a total of **\$170,076** in FTA Section 5307 JARC funds.

Adopted on this the 18th day of May, 2023.

Mike Horn, Chairman
Transportation Advisory Committee

Kelly Garvin, Secretary
Transportation Advisory Committee

ATTACHMENT A

Winston-Salem Urban Area Public Transportation Program, FY22 Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Grants Applicant Scores and Recommended Allocations for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Projects

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FTA Funding Programs & Applications	Application Scores and Recommended		
	External Review Score [^]	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
<p>The Workshop of Davidson, Inc. <i>A vocational and life skills training program for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.</i> <i>Hours of Service: Monday-Friday, 6:30a-8a, 3:45-5pm</i></p>	95/100	\$110,000	\$110,000
<p>Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind <i>Provide transportation assistance by subsidizing transportation for its employees who are blind or visually impaired in Winston-Salem and beyond.</i> <i>Hours of Service: 4 days a week, 6am-5:30pm</i></p>	93/100	\$45,000	\$45,000
<p>Shepherd's Center of Kernersville <i>Transportation services that are affordable, reliable, and timely to medical appointments and grocery shopping assistance for older adults with disabilities.</i> <i>Hours of Service: Monday-Friday 8am-4pm</i></p>	91/100	\$86,000	\$86,000
<p>Davidson County Department of Senior Services <i>Provides transportation services enabling seniors in the northern portion of Davidson County to go to medical appointments, treatments, and to attend social events.</i> <i>Hours of Service: Monday-Saturday 6am-6pm</i></p>	87/100	\$75,000	\$75,000
<p>Shepherd's Center of Winston-Salem <i>Expands transportation services in response to the increasing demand for affordable, reliable and timely transportation to medical appointments and grocery shopping assistance from older adults with disabilities in the Winston-Salem urban area.</i> <i>Hours of Service: Monday-Friday 8am-5pm</i></p>	86/100	\$200,000	\$200,000
<p>Here 2 There <i>Provides affordable unmet transportation for low-income persons including individuals with disabilities and seniors seeking quality transportation for their medical and personal needs throughout the urban areas of Forsyth County.</i> <i>Hours of Service: 24 hours, 7 days a week</i></p>	78/100	\$100,000	\$43,609
<p>Support Systems of Forsyth County <i>Provides transportation for Seniors to medical appointments, as well as pharmacy and grocery runs, as well as individuals with</i></p>	77/100	\$79,500	\$34,669

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<i>disabilities to medical appointments and educational and employment opportunities. Hours of Service: 24 hours, 7 days a week</i>			
Forsyth Transportation <i>Provides safe, efficient, and reliable transportation to the seniors and individuals with disabilities in the community. Hours of Service: Monday-Friday 6am-6pm</i>	51/100	\$175,000	\$0
	Total Requested	\$870,500	
	Total Available		\$594,278
	Total Recommended		\$594,278
<i>^(scored by Greensboro Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization)</i>			

¹ Not awarded due to low scores on criteria and not providing source of local match.

ATTACHMENT B

Winston-Salem Urban Area Public Transportation Program, FY22 Section 5307

Job Access and Reverse Commute

Applicant Scores and Recommended Allocations for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Projects

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FTA Funding Programs & Applications	Application Scores and Recommended		
	External Review Score [^]	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
Job Access and Reverse Commute (Section 5307)			
Winston-Salem Industries for the Blind <i>Provide transportation assistance by subsidizing transportation for its employees who are blind or visually impaired in Winston-Salem and beyond.</i>	93/100	\$5,000	\$5,000
Support Systems of Forsyth County <i>Provides transportation for Seniors to medical appointments, as well as pharmacy and grocery runs, as well as individuals with disabilities to medical appointments and educational and employment opportunities.</i> <i>Hours of Service: Monday-Friday 5am-6pm</i>	78/100	\$90,000	\$90,000
Here 2 There <i>Provides affordable unmet transportation for low-income persons including individuals with disabilities and seniors seeking quality transportation for their medical and personal needs throughout the urban areas of Forsyth County.</i> <i>Hours of Service: 24 hours, 7 days a week</i>	77/100	\$30,000	\$30,000
	Total Requested	\$125,000	
	Total Available		\$170,000
	Total Recommended		\$125,000
<i>^(scored by Greensboro Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization)</i>			