

# MTA – Office of Local Transit Support

## 5310 – Grant Program





# 5310 Basics

Formula Grant for Enhanced Mobility for Seniors  
and Individuals with Disabilities

New Freedom Program (5317) was consolidated  
with the Elderly and Disabled Program (5310)



# 5310 Basics

The goals of the Section 5310 Program are to provide:

- 1) assistance in meeting the special transportation needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities,
- 2) service for low income workers to access jobs and employment related activities, and
- 3) improved mobility for individuals with disabilities through services beyond current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) minimum standards.



# How is the 5310 Program Funded

- FY16/17 Awards initially awarded in April 2015.
  - \$ 6.7 M in Awards given to 57 Non-Profit/Faith based organizations throughout Maryland
- \$3.4M Awards given to 17 organizations in the Baltimore Region.

Note: includes \$769K (Federal Funds) awarded to Sojourner Douglass College that was later moved to Special Solicitation grant due to their closure.



# Spring 2016 Special Solicitation

- The Spring Special Solicitation was comprised of funds from various federal grants that had been awarded over the prior three years.
- These are funds left over after the original award items had been purchased.
- This solicitation was done as the money was expiring and needed to be allocated or returned to the FTA.



# Spring 2016 Special Solicitation

- Grant open to ONLY FY16/17 5310 award recipients to expand their original award and limited to the items already included in the federal grant.
  - Due to turn around time of the grant only 30 days
  - Shortened Grant Application (FY16/17 grantees already had completed certifications and assurances such as Title VI Plans, Maintenance Plans etc.)
  - Funds expiring with the FTA
  - Grantee's had to already be included in the federal grants.



# Spring 2016 Special Solicitation

## Available Funds:

- **\$1,344,543** in statewide funds

These funds had to be used for expansion of current projects with the following specific items: <30ft Replacement and Expansion Buses, Van Replacements and Expansions, Software, Support Equipment, Capital Maintenance Items.

- **\$2,054,380** in 5310 funds had to be awarded in the below areas:
  - \$1,121,493 in the Baltimore Area \*
  - \$91,485 in Harford County \*
  - \$16,354 in Cecil County \*
  - \$825,048 in Small Urban Areas \*

\*Areas served by the (5310) Agency

Organizations could only apply for additional items awarded in original 5310 FY16/17 grant award



# Spring 2016 Special Solicitation

- **Applications Submitted**

- 24 Organizations submitted grant applications across the State

- **Awards Granted**

- 23 Organizations were awarded grants

- **Baltimore Awards**

- 7 of 24 Applicants and Awards in the Baltimore Region

Action in Maturity, Comprehensive Housing Assistance, CMRT, Easter Seals of Baltimore, Humanim, Progress Unlimited, Winter Growth





# Baltimore Special Solicitation Awards

## Organization

Action in Maturity

Comprehensive Housing Assistance

CMRT

Easter Seals of Baltimore

Humanim

Progress Unlimited

Winter Growth

## Award

1 Small Bus & \$8K in PM

1 Small Bus & \$6K in PM

\$1,045,386 for Travel Training\*

2 Small Buses & \$24K in PM

1 Small Bus & Optional Equip.

1 Small Bus & \$19K in PM

1 Small Bus

\* CMRT will be developing a travel training program with MTA Mobility



# Baltimore Award Highlights

**Action in Maturity:** Services benefit the personal development and quality of life of older people and to support their ability to live independently, within the community, as long as possible. Action in Maturity was tapped to run a shuttle for seniors in the Penn-North area of Baltimore after the 2015 unrest to grocery stores and pharmacy's .

FY16/17 5310 Award: 1 Small Bus; \$12K in PM; \$100K Operating Assistance

Spring Special Solicitation Award: 1 Small Bus & \$8K in PM

FY17 Senior Rides Award: \$19,536



# Baltimore Award Highlights

**Progress Unlimited**: Supports adults with developmental disabilities to live independently in their community residential program and adult medical day care center. Based in Owings Mills, MD serving 85 residents daily in Baltimore City and Baltimore County.

FY16/17 5310 Award: 2 Small Buses & \$76K in PM

Spring Special Solicitation Award: 1 Small Bus & \$19K in PM



# Next 5310 Grant Cycle

- Next round of 5310 awards will be for FY18/19 Grant Periods.
  - Applications will be available to the public starting September 2016
  - Awards will be given April 2017
- Local Match:
  - 20% local share REQUIRED for capital grants awards and 50% local share REQUIRED for operating grant awards.
  - Operating awards the local share must be in CASH.
  - Mobility Management awards allow that the local share can be in-kind and cash.
  - Local Share:
    - All of the local share must come from sources other than US Department of Transportation (DOT) funds. Local share money can include local appropriations, dedicated tax revenues, private donations, revenue from human service contracts, and net income generated from advertising and concessions.



# Board Challenge

Encourage awareness of 5310 grant to non-profit and faith-based organizations.

Work with non-profit and faith-based organizations on grant writing. More competition increases better grant applications and new services.



Questions?