FY 2018-FY 2019 Section 5310 Grant Requests

Presentation to Technical Committee
January 3, 2017
Section 5310 Program

• Official Name of Program: “Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities”.
• Nonprofit Organizations Are Eligible To Apply.
• Two-Year Grant Cycle.
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• There are four types of projects authorized under the new program:
  1. public transportation projects planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special needs of seniors and people with disabilities when public transportation is insufficient, unavailable or inappropriate;
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2. public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990;

3. public transportation projects that improve access to fixed route service and decrease reliance by people with disabilities on complementary paratransit; and

4. alternatives to public transportation that assist seniors and people with disabilities with transportation.
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• The objectives of Section 5310 Program in Maryland are to:
  – Maximize the use of funds available to the State of Maryland.
  – Distribute funds in an equitable and effective manner.
  – Promote and encourage applications from a broad spectrum of interested agencies.
  – Establish criteria for evaluating applications for program funds.
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• The four main evaluation criteria are:
  1. Extent and Urgency of Local Needs
  2. Coordination and Cooperation
  3. Vehicle Utilization
  4. Fiscal and Managerial Capability
Call for Projects

- In Fall 2016, MTA announced a statewide call for projects for the FY2018-FY2019 Section 5310 Program.
- The BRTB received twenty-two (22) applications from organizations in the Baltimore Region:
  - Small Urbanized and Rural Areas (2)
  - Baltimore Urbanized Area (18)
  - Harford Urbanized Area (2)
Call for Projects
Small Urbanized and Rural Areas

• Applications endorsed by the BRTB advance to a statewide competition.

• The State Committee for Coordinated Human Service Transportation meets on February 15, 2017.

• BMC is a member of the Committee.
Resolution #17-14
Large Urbanized Areas

• These applications are considered for approval by the BRTB, rather than the State Committee for Coordinated Human Service Transportation.

• A recommendation for approval of large urban areas grants will be made at the January 24, 2017 BRTB meeting.
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