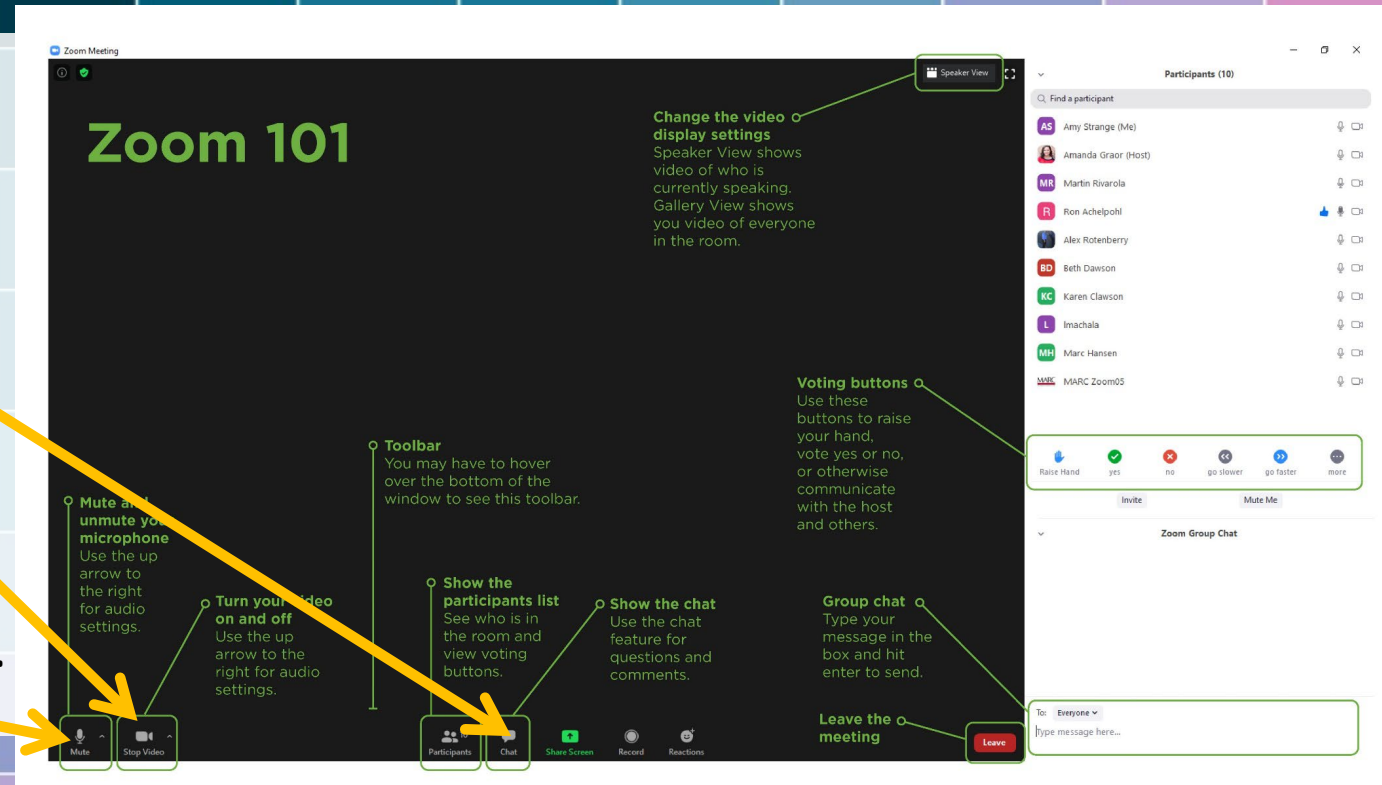


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# FTA Section 5310 Program Pre-Application Workshop

June 12, 2024

# Pre-application Workshop Agenda



1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Background
3. 2024 Call for Projects Overview
  1. Funding Availability
  2. Match Requirements
  3. Applicant Eligibility
  4. Project Eligibility
4. Requirements Overview
5. Application Portal/Resources
6. Q&A

- Section 5310: The Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program
- This FTA-funded program provides funding for vehicle purchases, capital projects, and operations that address mobility solutions for older adults and persons with disabilities.
- The goal of the program is to support public transportation services and alternatives that work to assist the day-to-day lives of older adults and persons with disabilities.



BACKGROUND

# CALL FOR PROJECTS OVERVIEW



# ALLOCATION OF FUNDS

- The competitive selection process only includes capital projects.
- KCATA and MARC jointly retain 10% for program administration
- KCATA retains operations funding to implement regionally significant mobility projects, travel training, and mobility management.
- KCATA retains a portion of capital funding for replacement of qualified vehicles
- Remainder: Approx. \$1.65 million to award through competitive process.

<b>5310 Funds for KC Region</b>	
<b>2023-2024</b>	
2023	\$2,013,293
2024	\$2,107,079
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,120,372</b>
Admin (MARC)	\$144,213
Admin (KCATA)	\$267,824
<b>TOTAL minus all Admin</b>	<b>\$3,708,335</b>
Operations (45%)	\$1,442,130
Capital (55%)	\$2,266,205
<b>Retained Funds</b>	
Operations (45%)	\$1,442,130
Capital (27.27%)	\$618,056
<b>TOTAL Retained Funds by KCATA</b>	<b>\$2,060,186</b>
<b>Funds to be Programmed</b>	<b>\$1,648,149</b>

# MATCH REQUIREMENTS

- This is a cost-reimbursement program, as opposed to a standard grant or fixed amount award.
- **Federal (5310) funds: 80% of total project cost**
- **Local match: 20% of total project cost**
- 20% match rule exceptions when:
  - Buying a vehicle(s) to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or the Clean Air Act (CAA), in which case the federal share may be increased to 85-percent.
  - Buying vehicle-related equipment or facilities to comply or maintain compliance with the ADA or CAA, in which case the incremental cost of the equipment may be funded up to 90-percent with 5310 funds.
    - E.g., Equipment on and attached to the vehicle.
- **MARC charges a project fee equal to 1% of federal funds awarded. Sponsors of projects awarded funding will be invoiced for this fee in after programming is completed.**



- State or local appropriations
- Dedicated tax revenues
- Private donations
- Revenue from service contracts
- Transportation development credits
- Net income generated from advertising and concessions
- Non-cash share, such as:
  - Donations
  - Volunteered services
  - In-kind contributions
- Non-DOT federal funds eligible for expense in transportation:
  - Employment training
  - Aging
  - Medical
  - Community Services
  - Rehabilitation Services

## ELIGIBLE MATCH SOURCES

# ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- Private nonprofit organizations
- State or local governmental authorities that:
  - Are state-approved to coordinate services for seniors and individuals with disabilities; or
  - Certify there are no area nonprofit organizations readily available to provide the service.





# PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

For the 2024 competitive selection process, eligible capital expenses include:

- Rolling stock
  - Acquisition of expansion or replacement buses or vans
  - Related procurement, testing, inspection, and acceptance costs
  - Vehicle rehabilitation or overhaul
  - Preventative maintenance
  - Radios and communication equipment
  - Vehicle wheelchair lifts, ramps, and securement devices

# PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

(continued)

- Passenger facilities related to Section 5310 funded vehicles
  - ↳ Ex. Benches, shelters, other passenger amenities
- Support facilities and equipment for section 5310 funded vehicles
  - ↳ Ex. Extended warranties; computer hardware and software; transit-related ITS; dispatch systems; fare collection systems
- Lease of equipment when lease is more cost-effective
- Acquisition of transportation services under a contract, lease or other arrangement
- Capital investments that support ADA-complementary paratransit services

# PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

(continued)

- Projects that support mobility management and coordination programs among public transportation providers and other human service agencies providing transportation
  - Promotion, enhancement, and facilitation of access to transportation services
  - Short-term management activities to plan and implement coordinated services
  - Support of state and local coordination policy bodies and councils
  - Operation of transportation brokerages
  - Provision of coordination services such as travel training and trip planning
  - Development and operation of one-stop transportation traveler call centers
  - Operational planning for the acquisition of ITS technologies to help plan and operate coordinated systems inclusive of GIS mapping, GPS tech, coordinated vehicle scheduling, dispatching and monitoring tech, as well as tech to track costs and billing in a coordinated system, and single smart customer payment systems.



REQUIREMENTS OVERVIEW

## COORDINATED PLAN GOALS (PRIORITIZED)

Applicants will need to identify their project with one of four goals identified in the Coordinated Plan. The goals listed below are prioritized, and projects in higher-priority areas may be weighted.

1. Maintain Existing Service Levels
2. Expand service levels for mobility service users in the region
3. Improve the quality and accessibility of information available to the public
4. Bridge infrastructure gaps



- Strategies: Ensure that existing service levels are maintained by
  - Replacing vehicles past their useful life
  - Sustaining funding levels for subsidized fare programs
  - Secure sustainable funding partnerships



GOAL 1:  
MAINTAIN  
EXISTING  
SERVICE  
LEVELS FOR  
MOBILITY  
SERVICE USERS  
IN THE  
REGION



GOAL 2 :  
EXPAND  
SERVICE  
LEVELS FOR  
MOBILITY  
SERVICE USERS  
IN THE  
REGION

- Strategies:
  - Service hours into nights, early mornings, or increase service frequency and/or responsiveness
  - Days of service, including weekends
  - Level of service from curb-to-curb to door-to-door, door-through-door, or beyond
  - Types of trips that are eligible for service populations
  - Geographic coverage, particularly into environmental justice tracts or areas of need as identified in this plan
  - Leverage partnerships to reduce duplication
  - Improve cross-jurisdictional transportation through administrative efficiency

- Strategies:

- Continue to improve region's One-Call/One-Click capabilities
- Reduce complexity of information conveyed to the public
- Publicize existing services, changes, and/or the introduction of new services
- Engage transportation-disadvantaged populations directly
- Utilize data to make informed decisions about enhanced mobility services
- Establish regional service standards
- Ensure that all service providers are equipped with data tracking capabilities
- Ensure that service providers are coordinating with MARC staff to map, analyze, and publicize service areas, trends, and network gaps.



GOAL 3:  
IMPROVE THE  
QUALITY AND  
ACCESSIBILITY  
OF  
INFORMATION  
TO THE PUBLIC



GOAL 4:  
BRIDGE GAPS  
IN BUILT  
ENVIRONMENT  
TO IMPROVE  
NETWORK  
ACCESSIBILITY

- Strategies:
  - Construct ADA-accessible infrastructure around transit facilities
  - Integrate universal design principles into local development policies
  - Support the implementation *Smart Moves 3.0* recommendations, including mobility hubs and increasing jobs accessibility

## STAFF SCORING

- All projects, regardless of goal/strategy, will be scored with the same scoring criteria on a high/medium/low scale:
  1. Uses data to demonstrate need
  2. Engages with service populations
  3. Demonstrates cost effectiveness
  4. Establishes partnerships
  5. Communicates services effectively
  6. Service is regional in nature



## OTHER APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

*(Do not factor into score)*

- Scalability
- Accessibility
  - Environmental Justice areas
  - Improves coverage/expands service times
  - For older adults and people with disabilities
- Cost and Feasibility
  - Project budget, explanation of cost estimates

# RESOURCES

- Coordinated Human Services – Public Transportation Plan
  - ↳ Goals and strategies to address gaps and advance enhanced mobility in the Kansas City region
- 2024 Section 5310 Application Guidebook
  - ↳ Step-by-step guide to applying for 5310 funds through MARC
- Smart Moves 3.0
  - ↳ Long-range transit plan
- Environmental justice map
- Webpage: [marc.org/5310](https://marc.org/5310)

\*\*Recording of this workshop will be posted online\*\*

# HOW TO APPLY?

Application Portal: <https://data.marc.org/5310/>

PROJECT APPLICATION PORTAL



## 5310 – Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities

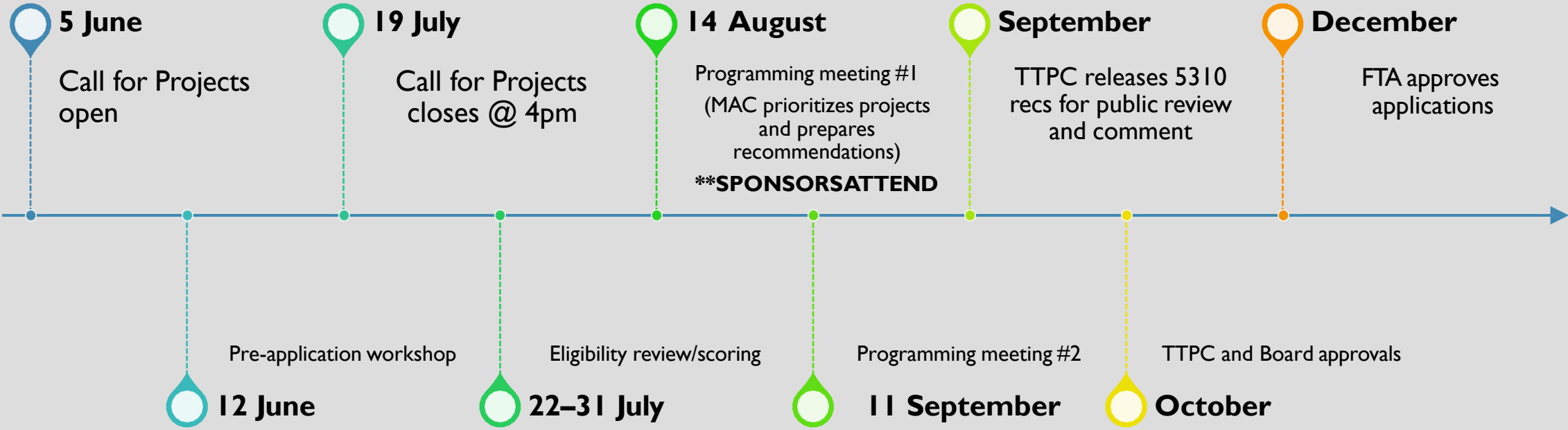
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# 5310 CALL SCHEDULE



# QUESTIONS

