ARC FTA SECTION 5310 2025-27 Notification of Funding Availability(NOFA)

April 19, 2024

Overview

- Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) is the regional planning and intergovernmental coordination agency for the metro Atlanta, Georgia region, defined as an 11-county area.
- ARC serves as the Atlanta Area Agency on Aging, Workforce Development Agency, Regional Commission, and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).
- The MPO is a 23-county area federally designated for regional transportation planning to meet air quality standards and for programming projects to implement the adopted Regional Transportation Plan.
- The Atlanta Urbanized Area (UZA) is a Census designated boundary for population of 50,000 or more and is also represented by the Atlanta MPO.
- The FTA Section 5310 program provides funds for the Atlanta UZA to improve mobility for seniors and persons with disabilities by providing funds for programs to serve the special needs of transit-dependent populations beyond traditional public transportation services and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) complementary paratransit services.

Program Goals and Funding Priorities

The Atlanta Regional Commission's overarching goal is to improve mobility for older adults and individuals with disabilities in the metro region through activities and projects that:

- remove barriers to transportation services,
- identify new/innovative approaches to transportation for clients,
- expand mobility options and
- allow maximum flexibility in allowing consumers to travel when and where they desire to go.

Program Funding

• The FY25 Allocation that ARC received from the Georgia Department of Human Resources is \$1,500,000 all of which is Capital funding that is reimbursed at 80 % Federal. For the program period covered by this NOFA, the Atlanta Regional Commission is awarding up to \$1,500,000.00 including match for 5310 projects

- FFY 2025 -	5310 Capital (Mobility Management and trips)							
ARC FY25 Federal Funds	\$1,200,000.00							
ARC FY25 Local Match Requirements	\$300,000							
ARC FY25 TOTAL	\$1,500,000							

Eligible Capital Expenses

- Mobility manager staff positions and related program costs,
- Trips (Paratransit, Demand-Response, Fixed/Flex Route Shuttles, etc.)
- Short range transit planning if it is a part of mobility management,
- Demonstration projects and technology such as scheduling software and hardware. planning and operation of coordinated systems inclusive of Geographic information Systems (GIS), global Positioning System Technology, coordinated vehicle scheduling, dispatching, and monitoring technologies.
- Technologies to track costs and billing in a coordinated system single smart customer payment systems.
- Coordination of individualized travel training and trip planning activities projects and technology such as scheduling software and hardware. planning and operation of coordinated systems inclusive of Geographic information Systems (GIS), global Positioning System Technology, coordinated vehicle

Financial Components Workbook

- Project Information Sheet
- Pre Award Risk Assessment will self calculate risk
- Budget Summary Detail page
- Budget Narrative
- UCM Support and Personnel tabs both have defined headings
 - Separate out the mobility management cost and the trip costs

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Timeline

- April 17 NOFA Open
- April 22- Questions Due by 5pm
- May 1 Q&A posted to ARC website
- May 20 NOFA proposals due by 5pm
- June 5 Award Announcements
- October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 Contract Year
- October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026 one year renewal based on performance
- October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027 one year renewal based on performance

TIPS

- Ensure that you have fully answered every question on the response templates.
- On the Budget Summary Detail page in the Financial Components Workbook, make sure it is fully filled out. DHS requires all the information.
- Read the UCM Manual. It has a lot of detailed information on what should be included when calculating cost
- Never wait until the last day to upload your proposal.
- If you have technical problems with the response templates allowing you to enter information or problems uploading your proposals, please reach out to ARC staff.

Questions?