



Dear Transportation Provider:

NJ TRANSIT administers the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) **Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities** Grant. The intent of this program is to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by providing financial support, through programs planned, designed, and carried out to meet the special transportation needs of these populations. This year NJ TRANSIT will be soliciting application for FFY2020 funding. Agencies may apply for operating, mobility management and capital transportation projects.

Funding is available for the following:

Request Type	FTA required match
Capital Assistance	
▪ Vehicles	20% match required-provided by NJ Transit*
▪ Equipment	20% match required-provided by NJ Transit*
▪ Mobility Management	20% match required-provided by applicant
▪ Acquisition of Transportation Services	20% match required-provided by applicant
Operating Assistance	50% match required-provided by applicant

* Please note this is subject to the availability of funds, all applicants should be prepared to provide the match if required or needed.

You must be an active participant in the county transportation coordination planning process referred to as the Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan (CHSTP). Be sure that your local designated planning lead (see Exhibit in Application) is aware of your intent to apply.

The grant process consists of four phases. The first phase is completion of an application to NJ TRANSIT. The second phase is the review process at NJ TRANSIT for inclusion in the statewide federal grant submission. The third phase is federal review and approval. In phase four, NJ TRANSIT enters into an agreement with the approved applicants. Be advised that the entire process from application to receipt of award may take eighteen months to two years.

NJ TRANSIT WILL BE ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FROM ORGANIZATIONS WHO WISH TO APPLY AS FOLLOWS:

- **FFY2020** S5310 application will be available on **December 11, 2020** (closing date of **February 5, 2021 at 3:00 PM**)

To complete a grant application all organizations must go to the following website: <http://s-rides.njtransit.com>.

Existing S-RIDES users may enter the system using your current login information. New users can register directly in the system to submit an application. You may start an application, save your information, and exit the system in order to complete the application at your leisure. Review all the information that is necessary and upload all required documents. You will not be able to submit the application until all of the required fields and documents are completed.

S-RIDES will now allow you to duplicate an application from the previous fiscal year. If your agency has submitted an application for the previous fiscal year you can choose to duplicate that application. Please note that it is the agencies responsibility to make edits and corrections to reflect your new proposed project prior to submittal.

For more information on how NJ TRANSIT administers the Section 5310 Grant, please click on the Section 5310 State Management Plan on the S-RIDES website which describes how NJ TRANSIT administers the grant.

Thank you for your interest in the program. If you have any questions, call (973) 491-8767 or email us at GRANT5310@NJTRANSIT.COM and you will be directed to the appropriate staff person.

Sincerely,

Janelle Rivera

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