

ACTION ITEM #5

**Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization
Transportation Advisory Committee
Action Request**

Meeting Date: November 19, 2020 **Agenda Item Number:** 5

Action Requested: Review of Letter of Support for Davidson County Department of Senior Services, Workshop of Davidson and Life Center of Davidson County for North Carolina Department of Transportation's (NCDOT) Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 Funding.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION: **Attachments:** Yes X No

The North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT) Public Transportation Division (PTD) administers the application and selection process for the allocation of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities funding program in rural areas. The Section 5310 program provides funding to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options.

The Workshop of Davidson, Life Center of Davidson County and Davidson County Department of Senior Services provide services within the Metropolitan Planning Area and in rural areas in Davidson County for disabled persons and individuals 65 years and older. Only services provided in the urbanized area (UZA) of the Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WSUAMPO) are eligible for funding by the Winston-Salem Urban Area MPO. For areas determined not to be within the MPO's UZA, these providers can apply for funding through the State's Section 5310 funding program. This letter of support acknowledges the Workshop of Davidson's, Life Center of Davidson County and Davidson County Department of Senior Services' desire to participate in the State's competitive selection process for services provided outside the MPO's UZA and the Transportation Advisory Committee's (TAC) support for these agencies to apply for the State's 5310 funding program.

The Workshop of Davidson has requested \$130,000, the Life Center of Davidson County, Inc. has requested \$48,000 and Davidson County Department of Senior Services has requested \$250,000 from the State's 5310 program.

If approved by the TAC, this letter of support will be provided to the agencies to include in their application to NCDOT for Section 5310 funding opportunities provided by the State.

TAC Vote: Motion by: _____ **Second by:** _____

Vote: For _____ **Against** _____

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 - Forsyth County Airport Commission*

NCDOT Public Transportation Division
Bryan Lopez
Mobility Development Specialist
1550 Mail Service Center
Raleigh, NC 27699-1550

RE: Davidson County Department of Senior Services

Dear Mr. Lopez,

The Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WSUAMPO) supports and encourages the Davidson County Department of Senior Services future submissions for 5310 Capital Grant, Purchase of Services funds administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. The 5310 program provides funding to states and designated recipients to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the mobility options available. The 5310 program provides funds for capital and operating expenses:

- Public transportation projects planned, designed and carried out to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities when public transportation is insufficient, inappropriate or unavailable;
- Public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.);
- Public transportation projects that improve access to fixed-route service and decrease reliance on complementary paratransit; and
- Alternatives to public transportation projects that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities with transportation.

It is our understanding that the Davidson County Department of Senior Services is requesting \$250,000 from the State's 5310 program, and will utilize these grant funds to provide transportation for county residents that are 65 years old or older who live in areas outside the Urbanized Area (UZA) of the WSUAMPO. Funds will be used to provide trips for the following: medical, shopping, pharmacy, nutrition sites and social opportunities at the two senior centers located in the county. As an agency which provides services to residents also within the WSUAMPO's UZA, the Davidson County Department of Senior Services also has the opportunity to participate in the MPO's competitive Section 5310 funding process.

The Winston-Salem Urban Area MPO is excited about the future use of these funds in Davidson County that will benefit the lives of seniors and disabled persons.

Sincerely,

Mike Horn, Chairman
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RE: The Workshop, of Davidson, Inc.

Dear Mr. Lopez

The Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WSUAMPO) supports and encourages The Workshop of Davidson, Inc. future submissions for 5310 Capital Grant funds administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. The 5310 program provides funding to states and designated recipients to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the mobility options available. The 5310 program provides funds for capital and operating expenses:

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RE: The Life Center of Davidson County

Dear Mr. Lopez,

The Winston-Salem Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (WSUAMPO) supports and encourages The Life Center of Davidson County future submissions for 5310 Capital Grant funds administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. The 5310 program provides funding to states and designated recipients to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the mobility options available. The 5310 program provides funds for capital and operating expenses:

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It is our understanding that The Life Center of Davidson County has requested \$48,000 from the State’s 5310 program, and will utilize these grant funds to provide transportation for county residents that are disabled persons and/or 65 years old or older who live in areas outside the Urbanized Area (UZA) of the WSUAMPO. Funds will be used to provide trips to and from the adult day services program. As an agency which provides services to residents also within the WSUAMPO’s UZA, The Life Center of Davidson County also has the opportunity to participate in the MPO’s competitive Section 5310 funding process.

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