NYSDOT announced the 2020 solicitation for the FTA Section 5310 - Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program on January 29, 2020. The 5310 Program funds projects that serve the transportation needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities beyond traditional public transportation services and ADA complementary paratransit. Capital projects such as human service agency vehicles, related equipment and mobility management (i.e. “traditional projects” requiring a 20% match), and other non-capital or operating projects such as development of a regional driver training curriculum (i.e. “enhanced projects” requiring a 50% match) are eligible.

NYSDOT’s application is available at https://www.dot.ny.gov/public-transportation/specialized-transportation/5310/section%205310-application-material. The NYSDOT 5310 application webpage also includes links to application guidance materials and other helpful information. The application deadline is March 16, 2020.

Eligible Applicants include:

- Private not-for-profit corporations (Traditional and Enhanced projects)
- State/local governmental authorities, or Indian Tribal governments (Traditional projects):
  - That certify no private not-for-profits are readily available to provide the proposed service, or
  - That have been approved by the State to coordinate services
- Private taxi companies:
  - Providing shared-ride taxi service to the general public on a regular basis, or
  - Operating public transportation

(Note: Public entities interested in applying for vehicles are invited to contact CDTC staff to coordinate with NYSDOT to determine eligibility).

NYSDOT offers application information webinars – you can also go to the link above to join.

Date: Thursday, February 13, 2020
Time: 2:00 pm, Eastern Daylight Time Join 🎥

Date: Friday, February 14, 2020
Time: 10:00 am, Eastern Daylight Time Join 🎥
CDTC will establish an evaluation committee of staff from the NYS Department of Health, NYS Office for the Aging, NYSDOT and CDTC to review each application based on the evaluation methodology from NYSDOT including consistency with CDTC’s adopted Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordinated Plan. **Coordination efforts are required.** See: https://www.cdtcmpo.org/images/transit_human/CoordinatedPlan2019.pdf. The evaluation committee’s recommendations for funding will then be submitted to the CDTC Planning Committee and Policy Board.

NYSDOT has distributed a notification of the release of the solicitation to its contact list, and CDTC sent out a solicitation notice to the Regional Transportation Coordination Committee.

Please contact Carrie Ward (cward@cdtcnpo.org) with any questions.