

**Capital District  
Transportation Committee**

**May 23, 2017**

**5310 Program Information**

NYSDOT has indicated they will be announcing the 2017 solicitation for the FTA [Section 5310 - Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program](#) sometime this spring. The 5310 Program provides funds for projects that serve the special needs of transit-dependent populations beyond traditional public transportation services and Americans with Disabilities Act complementary paratransit services. Basically this program funds capital projects such as human service agency vehicles, related equipment and mobility management, and other non-capital or operating projects such as development of a regional driver training curriculum.

NYSDOT will inform past grantees and others regarding release of the solicitation. CDTC will send out a solicitation notice as soon as it is available to the Policy Board, Planning Committee, Regional Transportation Coordination Committee, and other potentially interested parties. NYSDOT provides applications, guidance materials and other helpful information online and in the past has provided web-based and in-person workshops for prospective applicants. In the past, the application deadline has been one (1) month from the date of the solicitation release.

CDTC will once again establish an evaluation committee comprised of staff from the NYS Department of Health, NYS Office of Aging, NYSDOT and CDTC. The evaluation committee will review each application based on evaluation methodology developed by NYSDOT including consistency with CDTC's adopted Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordinated Plan. Coordination efforts are required. Please see: <http://www.cdtempo.org/rtcc/plan2015.pdf>. The evaluation committee's recommendations for funding will then be submitted to the CDTC Planning Committee and Policy Board.

Based on FTA 5310 apportionment tables available online and past funding amounts, it is ***estimated*** that the following amounts will likely be available for programming new 5310 projects using 2016 and 2017 FFY funds.

***Funding Estimates:*** Albany-Schenectady (Troy) urbanized area: \$948,000  
Saratoga Springs urbanized area: \$198,000

CDTC staff has been working with county partners to organize and facilitate county-based meetings to bring together county offices for aging/long term care representatives with municipal senior services staff and others. These meetings provide a forum to discuss the 5310 program and eligible project types in more detail, as well as opportunities to participate in the [Regional Transportation Coordination Committee](#). The goal is to identify potential future coordination activities and collaborative efforts that may be good candidates for future 5310 grant submittals. Meetings have been held in Schenectady and Albany counties. The Saratoga County meeting is scheduled for May 31<sup>st</sup>. Work continues on setting up a Rensselaer County meeting.

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