

Capital District
Transportation Committee

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**5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program
Grant Solicitation 2020: Applications Received, Evaluation Process and Potential Funding Options**

Introduction: NYSDOT released a solicitation for the 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program on January 29, 2020. Applications were due on March 16, 2020. Nine applicants requested funding from the 5310 Program for the CDTC planning area, with eight in the Albany-Schenectady (-Troy) urbanized area and one in the Saratoga Springs urbanized area. Two applications in the Albany-Schenectady urbanized area are dual applications, rated separately. NYSDOT screened all applications for completeness and against a set of minimum requirements.

Requested funds for each urbanized area (Albany-Schenectady and Saratoga Springs) exceed available funds as shown below. All applicants requested 80% federal funding.

Urbanized Area	Albany-Schenectady	Saratoga Springs	Totals
Total Available Federal Funds (FFY 2018/2019)	\$1,003,151	\$202,337	\$1,205,488
Total Federal Funds Requested by Applicants	\$1,995,821.74	\$595,749	\$2,591,570.74
Available Funds minus Requested Funds	-\$992,670.74	-\$393,412	-\$1,386,082.74

Evaluation Committee Review: Members of the 5310 evaluation committee comprised of staff from the NYS Office for the Aging, NYSDOT and CDTC reviewed the nine applications and used the evaluation methodology developed by NYSDOT. The evaluation committee individually scored each application and met on April 23, 2020 to discuss and finalize scores.

At the meeting each evaluator submitted their scores, which included participation in the Coordinated Planning process and NYSDOT-assigned performance scores for past program participation. The evaluation committee’s scores were then averaged and the applications ranked. Requested funds exceed available funds. The evaluation committee recommendations are below.

Planning Committee: At its May 2020 meeting, the Planning Committee approved funding the one Saratoga Springs application as well as the first option for the Albany-Schenectady urbanized area.

Saratoga Springs Urbanized Area:

There was only one applicant for the Saratoga Springs Urbanized Area funds, NYSARC Inc. Saratoga County Chapter/Saratoga Bridges. They applied for six vehicles. **The \$595,749 total federal requested amount for the six vehicles exceeds the available federal funding of \$202,337.** The evaluation committee recommends awarding the federal funds available to the Saratoga Springs urbanized area to NYSARC Inc. Saratoga County Chapter to be used toward their application.

Total Funded = \$202,337

Balance Remaining = \$0

Albany-Schenectady Urbanized Area Projects - Option 1:

The evaluation committee developed this option that uses partial awards to award funding to more applicants, according to their rank in scores. Partial award recommendations were based on the amount and share of available funding requested, the applicants' overall average score, and the cost of each vehicle. This is the evaluation committee's preferred recommendation.

Applicant	Project Description	Federal Request	Option 1: Portion	Option 1: Federal Share
Center for Disability Services - Vehicles	6 Vehicles	\$596,980.60	Two-thirds award	\$365,159.20
Schenectady NYSARC	2 Vehicles	\$164,269.00	Full award	\$164,269.00
Northeast Health Foundation Eddy Senior Care Connections	6 Vehicles	\$330,197.00	Two-thirds award	\$220,109.32
Colonie Seniors - Vehicles	2 Vehicles	\$110,065.00	Half award	\$55,032.50
Center for Disability Services - Capital Other*	70 Units	\$195,200.00		
St. Peter's Hospital Eddy Memorial Geriatric	1 Vehicle	\$55,033.00	Full award	\$55,033.00
Colonie Seniors - Capital Other*	16 Units	\$18,395.14	Full award	\$18,395.14
Town of Guilderland	1 Vehicle	\$116,374.00	Full award	\$116,374.00
CDTA	6 Vehicles	\$289,598.00		
Baptist Health	1 Vehicle	\$119,710.00		

*These applications are for scheduling hardware and software, including in-vehicle systems

Total Funded = \$994,372.16
Balance Remaining = \$8,778.84