Umpqua Public Transportation District Press Release

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Applications for Projects for 5310 and STIF Funding

Umpqua Public Transportation District (UPTD) is requesting applications for 5310 and STIF grant funding from qualified transportation service providers for the 2023-25 biennium. The distribution of the aforementioned funding will be done in such a manner as to benefit as many Douglas County residents as possible with the primary focus of providing transportation to seniors and people with disabilities.

UPTD receives Federal Section 5310 through ODOT. This funding source supports public transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities by funding eligible capital, purchased service and preventive maintenance projects for transportation providers and is intended to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation mobility options. Local match for 5310 funded projects is 10.27% or 20% depending on the project type.

UPTD also receives funds distributed via the Special Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). Effective July 1, 2023, the STIF and Special Transportation Fund (STF) programs are consolidated and collectively known as the Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund. Key components of the STF program have been preserved in rule including as to investment priorities. Public Transportation Service Providers, nonprofits, and private for-profits are eligible to receive Formula funding by submitting project proposals to their Qualified Entity for consideration. No local match is required for STIF Formula Funds but it may be used as match for Federal funds.

In accordance with the UPTD Funding Allotment Procedure, applications are being accepted for the 2023-2025 biennium for State STIF Population Formula Grant funds in the amount of $580,017 and Federal 5310 Grant Funds in the amount of $917,274. Qualified Special Transportation Provider Agencies and Organizations that would like to receive a copy of the application should contact Christine Sepulveda at csepulveda@umpquatransit.org or via telephone at (541) 671-8944.

The 5310 and STIF applications for funding must be received by **5:00 p.m. Friday, November 18, 2022.** You may mail completed applications to Umpqua Public Transportation District, Attention: Cheryl Cheas, 3076 NE Diamond Lake Blvd, Roseburg, OR 97470, or you mail email the application to ccheas@umpquatransit.org.