

# Application for 5310- MAPA Funding for FY2021 New/Expansion of Human Service Transit Projects

#### **1. General Information**

Legal Name of Applicant Organization:

Type of Organization: Private Non-Profit Operator of Public Transportation Private Taxi Company (providing sharedride taxi service) Government Entity (Is either approved by the State to coordinate services or certifies non-profits readily available to provide the service: Attachment 5)

Address (include City, State, and ZIP Code):

Name of Project Director or Supervisor:	Email Address:	Phone Number:
Name of Person Preparing this Application:	Email Address:	Phone Number:
Services Generally Provided by Applicant:		

#### 2. Project Information

Type of Funds Requesting:  Capital  Operations  Capital and Operations
Types of Service to be Provided:  Demand Response  Fixed Route  Other (specify)
Intended Use:   Expand Existing Service  Start New Service
Fiscal Year Requested (Federal Fiscal Year- Oct 1 – Sept 30):
Project Name:
Hours/Days of Operation for the Project:

Please ensure the following attachments are completed and included with your application packet:
Attachment 1: Service Area (submission of GIS shapefile or KML preferred)
Attachment 2: Maintenance of Vehicles and Vehicle Being Replaced (For vehicle requests only)
Attachment 3: Local Governmental Authority Certification (For governmental entities only)

#### 3. Request Types Vehicle Request\*\* Prioritize Vehicle(s) No. of Vehicle Cost Vehicle **Total Cost** Requested (1 or 2) Units \*Subject to change \$ Small Transit Bus \$ 66,000\* \$ \$ 40,000\* Lowered Floor Minivan \$ Total Cost: \$ Total Federal Funds Requested (80% of total cost) Local Share (20% difference between funds requested and total cost) \$ Source of Local Match (Indicate percentage/amount if local match from different sources and indicate status of local match, i.e. copies of executed contracts, verbal commitments, etc):

\*\*Applicant must complete Attachment 2: Vehicle Maintenance Certification

<b>Purchase of Service (Capitalized Cost of Contracting)</b> This type of assistance - Purchase of Service - is called the Ca Cost of Contracting. It can be funded with 80% federal funds. The procurement of the entity to provide the transportation follow applicable FTA procurement guidelines.	
Number of individuals to be transported using this funding	
Entity to be contracted with to provide transportation service:	
a. Projected number of passenger boardings:	
b. Cost per boarding	\$
c. Total costs for transportation service (a x b)	\$
Total Federal Funds Requested (80% of total cost)	\$
Local Share (20% difference between funds requested and total cost)	\$
Source of Local Match (Indicate percentage/amount if local match from different sources and indicate status of local match, i.e. copies of executed contracts, commitments, etc):	verbal

Technology Request (For example – mobile data termin	als for dispatching and communication)	
	Unit Cost No. of Un	ts Cost
Type of technology requested:		\$
Type of technology requested:		\$
Type of technology requested:		\$
	Total Co	st: \$
	Total Federal Funds Requested (80% of total	ost) \$
	Local Share (20% difference between funds requested and total of	ost) \$
Source of Local Match (Indicate percentage/amount if local match from diffe	erent sources and indicate status of local match, i.e. copies of executed con	acts, verbal
commitments, etc):		

**Operating Assistance** - The following section should only be completed if your agency is applying for Federally funded <u>operating</u> <u>assistance</u>. Monthly reimbursement of operating assistance is limited to 50% of your eligible operating expenses<sup>1</sup>. If your agency is requesting operating assistance for more than two years, please recreate this table for the additional years and clearly indicate the purpose and years.

Budget Detail		Year 1			Year 2	
Operating Expenses	Total Cost	5310 Funds	Local Match <sup>1</sup>	Total Cost	5310 Funds	Local Match <sup>1</sup>
1. Personnel						
2. Administrative						
3. Insurance						
4. Fuel						
5. Maintenance						
6. Contracted Service						
7.						
8.						
Total –						
Source of Local Match (Inc	licate percentage/ar	nount if local match fr	om different sources and	indicate status of local ma	atch, i.e. copies of executed	contracts, verbal
commitments, etc):						

If you have requested more than one funding type (vehicle purchase, technology, purchase of service, or operating service), please rank in order of importance to your organization (1-4 with 1 being the most important).

Vehicle Purchase Purchase of Service Technology Operating Assistance

#### 4. Justification of Regional Significance

In addition to the items below, applicants must register in MAPA's <u>online 5310 database</u> and provide program information that will be used in evaluating applications.

Regional Planning		
Does this project meet the MAPA 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) intent?	Yes	No
Is this project listed in local planning documents? (Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), applying agency	Yes	No
documents)		
Is your organization registered in the TIP as a transportation provider under the 5310 section? (If no, please	Yes	No
register by following <u>this link</u> and filling in organization & program information)		

Service Availability - Demographics:	
Will this project increase transit access for the following groups? (check all that apply & explain below)	
Veterans	
Senior Citizens	
Disabled Citizens (including disabled youth)	
Job Access for the Underemployed	
Employment Help Centers	

Explain:

Service Availability – Quality & Efficiency:	
Will the project develop any of the service improvements below? (Check all that apply & explain below)	
Improve customer service response time	
Increase number of destinations per trip	
Provide training for disabilities assistance	
Increase efficiency of ride dispatching	
Decrease number of ride denials	
Reduce travel time per vehicle	
Reduce time spent by rider on transit vehicle	
Explain:	

Service Availability – Temporal	
Will the project improve the availability of transit services? (check all that apply & explain below)	
Increase hours of operations, if yes, please explain below	
Increase number of vehicles available	
Reduce short term or longer term coverage gaps	
Explain:	

Sustainability – Life Cycle of Vehicles:	
Will the project improve the life cycle of transit vehicle assets? (check all that apply & explain below)	
Project extends the life of current transit vehicles	
Project introduces newer or more energy efficient transit vehicles	
wProject is able to reduce operating costs of transit vehicles	
Explain:	
Sustainability – Access to Funding:	

If MAPA funding were decreased how would this transit system maintain its current level of operating? What services would be eliminated? Are there alternative sources of funding besides MAPA funds which would be used to support this project? Be specific. Include an audit report or letters with financial commitment as justification of other funding sources.

# 5. New Project Justification

Describe benefits to be derived from the project to the elderly or user with a disability:

Identify shortcomings of existing services and how your project will overcome them:

Describe transportation now being provided by applicant (if any):

If this is an <u>operations request</u>, please explain what services the operations funding will support:

If the proposed project requires further explanation to create a clear picture of what is to be accomplished, please describe the project below.

### 6. Certification of Application

I certify, as the legal signatory for the agency, the above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge, and that our agency has, or has made arrangements for, the required non-Federal match and is prepared to proceed with implementation of the project upon grant approval.

(Authorized signatory)

(Printed name)

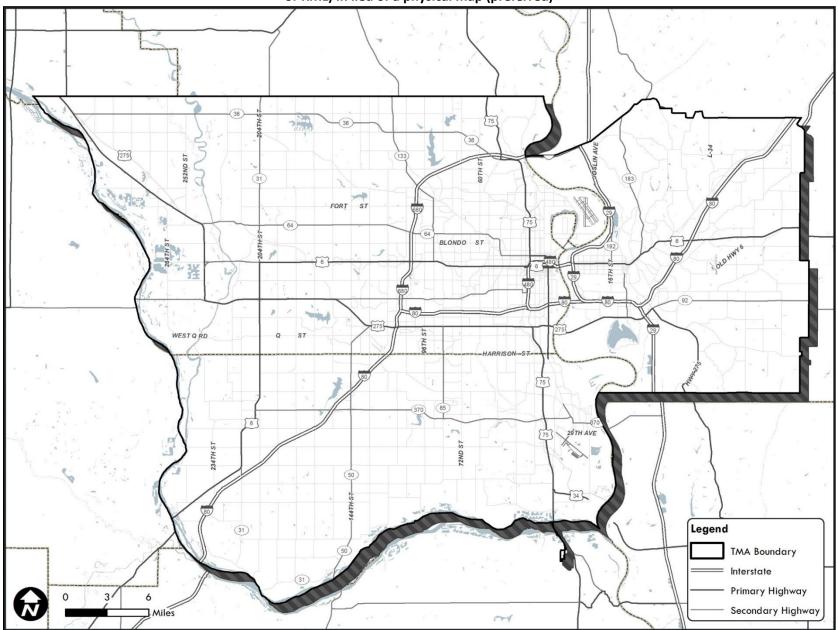
(Title)

(Email)

(Date)

#### Attachment 1: Service Area

Please draw/circle your service area below, attach a service area map or route map to this application, or provide MAPA with a digital GIS feature (shapefile or KML) in lieu of a physical map (preferred)



### Attachment 2: Maintenance of Vehicles and Vehicle Being Replaced (For vehicle requests only)

To assure that vehicles acquired with Federal Transit Assistance funds are maintained in optimal operating condition, it is required that they be maintained in accordance with the vehicle manufacture's recommended maintenance schedule. Applicants must verify by certifying below:

Μ	aintenance Certification	
certifies that vehicles purchase detailed maintenance and inspection schedule pr	ed under Section 5310 will be mainta ovided by the manufacturer.	ined in accordance with the
(Printed Name of Person Signing)		
(Signature of Authorized Representative)	(Title)	(Date)
	Vehicle Being Replaced	
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This vehicle will be taken out of regular service (c         Applicant:	an be used as backup).	) miles.)

□ Small transit bus

 $\Box$  Lowered floor minivan

# Attachment 3: Local Governmental Authority Certification

(For Government Entities Only)

For governmental entities to be eligible for the "Traditional – Capital" 5310 funding, the state or local government authority needs to be approved by the State to coordinate services for seniors and individuals with disabilities or certify that there are no non-profit organizations readily available in the area to provide the service.

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires the following method to be completed for the certification of local government authorities to coordinate services for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

## Actions to be "Certified":

Send a certified letter to local nonprofit agencies asking if the nonprofit agency can provide the transportation service in the service area, currently offered by the local government authority. Place a legal public notice in a local newspaper stating the same. The notice and letter must allow for a 30-day public comment period.

Include the following copies with your application:

- 1. Letters sent (one letter with an address list is acceptable)
- 2. Certified mail receipts
- 3. Responses received from the nonprofit agencies
- 4. Affidavit of publication from newspaper public notice. The public notice should at a minimum say, "(agency) is pursuing federal grant funding to conduct transportation service for the elderly and those with disabilities within the (service area). Are there other agencies that could offer the transportation service in the same service area? Please provide written comment to (agency contact) by (date 30 days from publication)."

Complete Local Governmental Authority Certification below and include it with your application.

# Local Governmental Authority Certification (For governmental entities only)

As the authorized representative of \_\_\_\_\_\_, I certify that there are no nonprofit organizations readily available in the area to provide the service as described in the 5310 application.

(Printed Name of Person Signing)

(Signature of Authorized Representative)

(Title)

(Date)