

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

**Section 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307 and applicable State funding, or combination thereof.**

This is to inform the public of the opportunity to attend a public hearing on the proposed FY26 Call for Projects, Federal Section 5310 Grant (Enhances Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program) application to be submitted to the North Carolina Department of Transportation no later than October 4, 2024. The public hearing will be held on September 9, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Alexander County Commissioners Room located at CVCC/Alexander Center, 345 Industrial Blvd, Taylorsville, NC 28681. Alexander County will provide auxiliary aids and services under the ADA for disabled persons who wish to participate in the hearing. Anyone requiring special services should contact Keri Jerrell, DSS Director at 828-352-7603 as soon as possible.

The goal of the Section 5310 program is to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities throughout the county, by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding transportation mobility options available. Toward this goal, FTA provides financial assistance for transportation mobility options available. Toward this goal, FTA provides financial assistance for transportation services planned, designed and carried out to meet the special transportation needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities in all areas. A senior is an individual who is 65 years of age or older and the term “disability” is defined in section 3(1) of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C 12012).

The Section 5310 Program provides grant funds for capital and operating expenses to recipients for:

- \*Public transportation projects planned, designed and carried out to meet the special needs of seniors and individuals with disabilities;
- \*Public transportation projects that exceed the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et. Seq.);
- \*Public transportation projects that improve access to fixed route service and decrease reliance on complementary para-transit; and
- \*Alternatives to public transportation projects that assist seniors and individuals with disabilities with transportation.

The period of performance for 5310 funds is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. The FY2026 individual program totals are:

Total Amount  
\$194,592  
Federal Amount  
\$155,673  
State Match  
\$19,459  
Local Match  
\$19,460

This application may be inspected at Alexander County Department of Social Services located at 604 7<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Taylorsville, NC 28681 from 9:00 am through 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Written comments should be directed to Keri Jerrell, DSS Director before Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

*End of Notice*

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