## Connecticut Department of Transportation Section 5310 FFY 2017 Application Announcement Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities

The Section 5310 applications for the FFY 2017 funding cycle are now available on the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) website. To access the applications, go to <a href="https://www.ct.gov/dot/5310">www.ct.gov/dot/5310</a>.

Applications and supporting documentation must be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:DOT.Section5310@ct.gov">DOT.Section5310@ct.gov</a> with a cc to the appropriate Regional Planning Organization (RPO) no later than 4:00PM on Friday, March 2, 2018. CTDOT and the RPOs will not review late applications.

## Traditional Section 5310 Capital Application - Updates:

- Traditional applicants must publish a Public Notice one (1) time in a major newspaper with the
  greatest readership in the proposed service area by Friday, February 16, 2018.
- Traditional applicants must send letters to transportation operators in the region notifying of the Public Notice posting at least <u>one week</u> prior to the publish date.
- There are now two (2) separate budget pages in the Traditional Section 5310 Capital application for applicants interested in applying for two (2) vehicles.

## Program & Application Overview:

- The Section 5310 program provides federal funding for capital and operating expenses to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation mobility options.
- · Eligible recipients of this competitive program include:
  - o Private nonprofit organizations
  - o State or local government authorities
  - o Operators of public transportation
    - Taxi companies may participate in the Section 5310 program as contractors, and must apply via a coordinating entity, such as a nonprofit organization or transit district.
- There are three (3) separate applications; applicants should submit the one that corresponds to the type of project funding being requested.
  - 1. Traditional Section 5310 Capital
  - 2. Nontraditional Section 5310 Capital
  - 3. Section 5310 Operating
- The Application Instructions packet should be read thoroughly and should not be submitted with the
  application.
- The federal share of eligible capital costs may not exceed 80 percent, and 50 percent for operating assistance.
- The useful life requirement for replacement vehicles is 4 years or 100,000 miles for a mini-van and 5
  years or 150,000 miles for a mini-bus or bus.
- All applications must be sent <u>via email only</u>, in one (1) attachment. Organizations for which this
  requirement causes undue hardship should contact CTDOT to discuss alternatives for submitting the
  application.