

Lee Tran Passport Services

What is included in Passport Premium Service:

- Offer premium service to Passport clients outside the ADA corridor, charging premium fares
- Any service above and beyond the ADA regulatory obligations
- Exempt from ADA service criteria, e.g., can have restrictions and limits, such as limiting subscription trips (prescheduled standing reservations) to 50% of available trips, allowing 50% for 24 hour reservation
- May charge a higher fare, for example \$6.00 per trip vs. current \$3.00

Additional \$100,000 for ADA Premium Service:

- Provide an additional 2,600 ADA trips annually (50 trips per week)
- Trips to be provided on first-come, first-serve basis
- Fare will be \$6.00 per trip (current fare is \$3)
- Requires 1 additional Bus Operator at a cost of \$50,837
 - Total cost of \$150,837

Additional \$200,000 for ADA Premium Service:

- Provide an additional 5,200 ADA trips annually (100 trips per week)
- Trips to be provided on first-come, first-serve basis
- Fare will be \$6.00 per trip (current fare is \$3)
- Requires two additional Bus Operators at a cost of \$101,674
 - Total cost of \$301,674

Advantages:

- Provides more service to people with disabilities who live outside our service area
- Expands travel choices for existing ADA customers

Disadvantages:

- Will increase Transit's operating budget, staffing and vehicle requirements
- Does not meet the needs of Transportation Disadvantaged Non-ADA eligible citizens
- There will continue to be unmet needs when the additional passport trip funds are exhausted

Partnering for Transportation Results Program

The 5310 Grant program is a federal funded grant program administered by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to address elderly and disabled transportation needs. It consists of a capital grant component and an operating assistance component. Lee County will allocate funds to nonprofit organizations that have submitted and received the FDOT 5310 Grant. The allocated funds are not a grant, and are intended to be used as a match for those organizations that have been selected to receive the FDOT 5310 grant.

Program Administration

Lee County will accept an Application from qualified nonprofit organizations to address specific transportation needs for elderly and disabled residents in Lee County. The applicants are required to have submitted and have been granted an FDOT 5310 Grant. Qualified nonprofit organizations can submit applications for services that address one of the following priority areas: employment, life sustaining, medical, nutrition, recreation, training and education.

Funding Process

The Partnering for Transportation Results funding process for FY 2015-2016 begins on ##### with the release of the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The first step in the funding process is to submit a Letter of Intent which is due by 5:00 pm on #####, 2015. For information and links, please see below in the section titled Application System.

LEE COUNTY ONLINE APPLICATION SYSTEM	
<u>Funding Guidelines</u>	Letter of Intent: <u>DOC</u> <u>PDF</u>
<u>Sample Contract</u>	<u>Application</u>

Funding Application Evaluation Criteria

- Applicant has submitted and received the FDOT 5310 Grant for the current fiscal year.
- Applicant is a 501c3 Nonprofit organization.
- Applicant has a independent certified audited financial statement of the most recent or immediate prior fiscal year.

- Applicant currently provides service in Lee County.
- Applicants receiving funding for service delivery (such as social or health related services) which includes transportation as part of the unit cost of service may not request funding through this process
- Applicant cannot supplant funding that is currently being used to meet grant match requirement.
- Applicants already receiving FDOT funding and meeting the match requirement must explain why additional match is required or why it is no longer available.

2015 FDOT 5310 Funding Example

	<u>Federal Share</u>	<u>State Share</u>	<u>Local Share</u>	<u>Total</u>
Operating Grant*	\$273,640	\$ 0	\$273,640	\$ 547,280
Capital Grant	\$386,079	\$48,260	\$ 48,260	\$ 482,598
Total Project Funds	\$659,719	\$48,260	\$321,900	\$1,029,878

*Operating Grant cannot exceed 45% of total federal allocation