# Multimodal - Transit

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The Missouri Department of Transportation Transit Section provides financial and technical assistance to public transit and specialized transit providers across the state. This function is carried out through the administration of state and federal programs for both general public transportation and programs serving senior citizens and persons with disabilities.



#### Planning and selection criteria vary:

- Large MPOs deal directly with FTA on most Sections.
- MoDOT administers funds.
- MoDOT assists rural providers in FTA application process.
- Prioritization usually based on:
  Section service type
  Replacement
  Expansion (new service)
  Support equipment
  Facility needs



#### • Funds for Planning

- MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) develops a UPWP (Unified Panning Work Program) for the next years planning activity.
  MPO's UPWP are reviewed by MoDOT then forwarded to the FHWA and the FTA for selection.
- Available Funds are based on Census data, (funding will change every 10 years)

Bus & Bus Facilities – FTA Section 5339 is a new grant program in MAP-21 providing capital funding to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses, vans, and to construct bus-related facilities. FTA apportions a discretionary statewide component for large urbanized and small urban formula to each state annually.



Enhanced Senior & Disability Transportation - FTA Section 5310 formula grants target agencies serving the mobility needs of senior citizens and/or persons with disabilities. MoDOT administers the Section 5310 program as a capital program to procure and fund 80% of the cost of vehicles for public and not for profit organizations. Agencies include developmental disability resource boards (Senate Bill 40 boards), sheltered workshops, senior citizen services boards (House Bill 351 boards), and senior centers as well as not-for-profit medical service agencies.

- MoDOT accepts and reviews applications.
- MPO's request are often already prioritized, MoDOT may disapprove if not eligible (based on FTA rules).

Non-Urbanized / Rural Transit Program - The Federal Transit Administration provides grants to states on a formula basis for nonurban transit in the Section 5311 program. Rural transit providers and intercity bus carriers apply to MoDOT's Transit Section for these Section 5311 grants to carry out rural public transit related service, planning and capital projects.

Intercity bus accounts for 15% minimum allocation per year (Greyhound, Jefferson Lines, Burlington Trailways)

MEHTAP (Missouri Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Assistance Program). Non-profits for transportation of seniors citizens and persons with disabilities. Prioritization:

- Purpose (medical, essential services...)
- Ridership (usage)

 Alternative services available (other types of transit providers)



Missouri State Transit Assistance Rural and urban public transit agencies benefit from state funded operating assistance. This general revenue fund and/or state transportation fund program helps to defray a portion of the costs those agencies incur in providing mobility services in their communities.



# **Any Questions?**

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