NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Evansville MPO FY 2025 FTA Section 5310 Grant Application

Notice is hereby given that the Evansville Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will submit a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant application for Section 5310 funds. The Evansville MPO is the Designated Recipient of the FTA Section 5310: Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Grant Program for non-profit organizations in the Evansville Urbanized Area. The purpose of this notice is to afford all interested persons the opportunity to comment on the proposed projects.

Written comments may be forwarded to Jennifer M. Scott, Transportation Planner, Evansville MPO, Room 316 - Civic Center Complex, 1 NW MLK Jr. Blvd., Evansville, IN 47708 or <u>jscott@evansvillempo.com</u>. Comments will be accepted through Wednesday, March 5, 2025. Any person who desires that a public hearing be held must submit a written request for such by Wednesday, March 5, 2025. If a public hearing is requested on or before March 5, a public hearing notice will be published in this newspaper.

Non-Profit Vehicles: The MPO received requests for funding assistance from local non-profit organizations Easterseals Rehabilitation Center and Arc of Evansville to acquire vehicles to provide transportation for seniors and/or individuals with a disability. The grant application will request \$220,945 in Section 5310 funds for a low-floor minivan for Arc of Evansville and a low-floor minivan and large transit bus for the Easterseals Rehabilitation Center. The 20% local share will be provided by these organizations.

Planning: The grant application will request 10% \$29,980 of the Federal FY 2024 FTA apportionment of Section 5310 funds for the Evansville Urbanized Area for grant administration and planning for FY 2026.

A copy of the Program of Projects is available for public inspection on the MPO website at evansvillempo.com/notice/MPO_POP.pdf.

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