



MEMORANDUM

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DATE: April 29, 2025
SUBJECT: Executive Committee - FFY2024 Section 5310 Prioritization Request

Section 5310 grant program allocates Federal Transit Administration funding for transportation of seniors and disabled persons. CTDOT prioritizes awards statewide for COGs serving urbanized areas with population less than 200,000. SECOG collects and scores applications within our geography and coordinates with CTDOT on priorities within our COG. SECOG Board endorsement of application prioritization is required.

SECOG received six traditional applications requesting \$571,128 and three non-traditional applications requesting \$436,252. The following is a prioritized list based on the SECOG staff scores:

Priority	Traditional Applicant	Scope	Requested Amount
1	Colchester Senior Center	existing senior bus replacement	\$141,110
2	UCFS	existing transport bus replacement	\$143,170
2	Horizons Program	existing lift bus replacement	\$138,000
3	Easterseals Capital Region & Eastern CT	existing accessible van#1 replacement (6-day schedule)	\$76,290.04
4	Arc Eastern CT	expand fleet with minibus	\$139,050
5	Easterseals Capital Region & Eastern CT	existing accessible van#2 replacement (5-day schedule)	\$76,290.04
Priority	Non-Traditional Applicant	Scope	Requested Amount
1	ECTC	existing voucher program for SFY2027	\$134,000
2	Ace Taxi Service with WRTD	expand fleet with 5 accessible minivans	\$324,440
3	ECTC	existing mobility manager and outreach for SFY2027	\$126,000

SECOG shares access to FFY2024 funds allocated to small urban areas (\$1,395,965) and rural areas (\$528,938) with other non-suballocated COGs. A minimum of 55% of funds are used for traditional applications which include municipal and non-profit applications for the purchase of vehicles.

Based on the review of the nine applications, SECOG staff recommend endorsement of the applications as prioritized above.

The following considerations influenced staff ranking:

- Two applicants were noted to be requesting multiple vehicles in this round: (1) Ace Taxi Service and (2) Easterseals Capital Region and Eastern CT.
- Ace Taxi Service offers service in Windham and Tolland Counties, serving two of the SECOG region's 22 municipalities. Ace is a taxi provider for WRTD coordinated Municipal Grant Program transportation.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require any additional information.