



TO: YCTA Board of Directors and Yamhill County Board of Commissioners
FROM: Cynthia Thompson, Transit Manager
Cc: Ken Huffer, Carolina Rook, Keri Hinton
DATE: January 25, 2019
Re: Board Action Items for Yamhill County Transit

**Yamhill County Transit Action Items for
Yamhill County Board of Commissioners
January 31, 2019**

Project Description:

Grant Applications for federal and state funding sources for 2019-21 biennium 5310, 5311, and Special Transportation Fund (STF)

Board Action: Authorize Transit Manager to submit grant applications to ODOT Rail and Public Transit Division for the following 2019-21 biennium grants; Federal 5311 \$1,628,045; 5310 \$681,455; State STF \$507,097 (STF funds could be reduced to \$304,258 if Governors budget remains as proposed).

Background Info:

The Oregon Department of Transportation provides federal and state funding every two years. The following grants applications are due in February and March 2019 for funding for the 2019-21 biennium.

The transit systems primary sources of funding are federal FTA section 5311 Formula funds for rural areas and FTA section 5310 for enhanced mobility for seniors and people with disabilities. For more information about these funding sources please refer to the *Transit Development Plan Chapter 8- Financial Plan*.



2019-21 5311 funds will provide \$814,022.50/year or \$1,628,045 for the biennium. This is a reduction from last biennium due to new rules adopted by the Oregon Transportation Commission last year. This funding source requires a 43.97 local match. Currently, the State Special Transportation Fund (STF) provides a significant portion of this match in conjunction with the County General Fund Contribution.

2019-5310 capital funds will provide \$340,727.50/year or \$628,045 for the biennium. These funds are capital funds but also can be used to pay for operations when the entity contracts with a third-party vendor to provide transit services. YCTA spends all 5310 funds on the First Transit contract costs. This funding source requires a 10.27% local match.

Special Transportation Fund (STF) Oregon state formula funding for older adults and people with disabilities. These funds are distributed to Counties and the STF Advisory Committee (now the YCTAC committee) recommend allocation of these funds to YCTA and other non-profits providing transportation to elderly and/or disabled in Yamhill County. This source of funding can be counted as local match for federal funding and therefore is the primary source YCTA uses to match 5310 and 5311 funds.

The grant applications are due as follows:

5311 – February 8, 2019

5310 – March 15, 2019

STF – County application including sub-provider applications- March 15, 2019

YCTAC at their meeting on January 24, 2019 recommended to BOC to authorize submittal of these grant applications

BOC Action Requested: Staff recommends authorization for Transit Manager to submit grant applications for 5310, 5311 and STF by deadlines of February 8, 2019 and March 15, 2019.

Accepted by Yamhill County
Board of Commissioners on
1/31/19 by Board Order
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