

Call for Projects

Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for the Yakima County Region

Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has released the Public Transportation Consolidated Grant Application for July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2019. You may access the grant forms and information at:

<http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Transit/Grants/competitive.htm>

In order to be eligible for this grant program, projects **must** be prioritized by the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) and address identified needs in a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan. Projects within Yakima County must address the needs identified in the *Yakima Valley Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan*. The 2014 Plan and Amendment may be accessed at: <http://www.yvcog.org/>.

If you are planning to apply for grant funds through the WSDOT Consolidated Grant Application, the projects must **first** be submitted to the RTPO for prioritization.

Applicants need to submit a completed **Proposed Project Summary form** for each project to the Yakima Valley Conference of Governments (YVCOG) by **12:00 noon on October 14, 2016**. **Electronic submittals ONLY** – please send to deborah.lacombe@yvcog.org.

On November 2, 2016 applicants will meet to review and develop rankings by the Mobilizing Public Access to Countywide Transportation (MPACT) committee. The meeting will be held at YVCOG, 311 North 4th Street, second floor, Yakima, WA at 10:30 a.m.

Projects will be prioritized using the following criteria:

- **Preservation:** Ensure that current transportation resources remain in place.
- **Coordination:** Assure non-duplication and coordination of resources.
- **Effectiveness/Cost Efficient:** Transportation resources are available, accessible and adaptable to meet the needs.
- **Assess Unmet/Greatest Need:** Identify needs of the population.

Timeline

WSDOT Public Transportation Grant Applications available	August 2016
YVCOG Call for Projects	September 19, 2016
Project Applications DUE to YVCOG by 12:00 noon	October 14, 2016
Public Transportation Grant Applications DUE to WSDOT	October 14, 2016
MPACT Committee Meets to Prioritize	November 2, 2016
Transportation Policy Board approves list	November 21, 2016

For more information, please contact Deb LaCombe at YVCOG, (509) 574-1550, or Jan Ollivier at People For People, (509) 248-6726

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