



PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public that a public hearing will be held by the Buncombe County Board of Commissioners on a proposed Section 5310 Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Program grant application to be submitted by January 27, 2012, to the North Carolina Public Transportation Division. The public hearing will be held on January 17, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. in the Commissioner's Room, which is located at 30 Valley Street in downtown Asheville. Those interested in attending the public hearing that need either auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or a language translator should contact Kathy Hughes, Clerk to the Board, at 205 College Street, Suite 300, Asheville, NC 28801 or (828) 250-4105 (Voice), or (828) 250-4001 (TDD), on or before January 13, 2012.

The intent of Section 5310 Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities Program funds is to provide transportation services that meet the special needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities for who mass transportation services are unavailable, insufficient or inappropriate. Buncombe County will submit an application for a new transit vehicle, safety camera, and operating funds for transportation services to elderly and/or disabled individuals served through Mountain Mobility, Buncombe County's Community Transportation Program.

The total estimated project cost is \$136,575. If awarded, Section 5310 federal funds would be used to meet 63% of the total approved project cost, with the remaining 37% provided through local match funds. The draft application is available for inspection from 8:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday in the offices of the Land-of-Sky Regional Council which is located at 339 New Leicester Hwy in Asheville, NC 28806, phone (828) 251-6622. Written comments will be addressed in the grant application and must be submitted by January 16, 2012 to Hope Bleecker, Senior Planner, email Hope@landofsky.org or mail to the above address.