

Information for the El Paso MPO FTA 5310 Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2025-2026 Request for Proposal (RFP) announcement:

The EPMPO Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Funds are for the El Paso urbanized area. This program provides formula funding to increase the mobility of seniors and persons with disabilities. Proposals are being solicited for capital and operating assistance projects for mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities that provide services within the El Paso urbanized area.

FFY 2024 allocated funds of \$923,650 are to be programmed in FY 2025 (Capital: \$564,453; Operations: \$359,197). FFY 2025 ***estimated*** funds of \$923,650 are to be programmed in FY 2026 (Capital: \$564,453; Operations: \$359,197).

Important Dates:

- July 8, 2024 Release and announcement of the 5310 Request for Proposals (RFP) to the public. 5310 Program RFP documents are available online in the **FTA Section 5310 Request for Proposal Information** at <https://www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program>
- July 17, August 2, 2024 Virtual public meetings to provide information and answer questions. Virtual meeting information can be found at <https://www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program>. Also, an on-demand virtual meeting is available for viewing online from July 8 to October 4, 2024 at <https://www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program>
- August 8, 2024 Agencies shall present proposals to Far West Texas/El Paso Regional Transportation Coordination Committee (WTEP) at the August WTEP meeting (please contact Celia Garcia, cgarcia@projectamistad.org, for WTEP meeting information) to obtain a required letter of endorsement/support for projects that are responsive to the regional plan objectives for the targeted population. This letter will need to be included in RFP packet submittal to EPMPO.
- August 15, 2024 Deadline to submit draft application to El Paso MPO for review.
- August 26-September 26, 2024* El Paso MPO staff review. This review of agency proposals is mandatory and will assist the applicants in ensuring their proposal addresses gaps in regional transportation plan, answers one of the objectives/strategies listed in the EPMPO Congestion Management Process document as well as the FTA Section 5310 RFP and FTA Section 5310 Circular 9070.1G requirements.
- October 4, 2024 5310 RFP Submittals (and TDC request letters) are due to the El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization (EPMPO) office by 3:00 PM MDT.
- October 14-25, 2024 Transportation Project Advisory Committee (TPAC) Ad Hoc Committee review of submittals for recommendation to TPAC.
- November 6, 2024 TPAC Meeting review of recommendations from Ad Hoc Committee for recommendation to the Transportation Policy Board (TPB)
- November 15, 2024 TPB Meeting for review of recommendations from TPAC for approval of project programming and amendments to the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)
- Early 2025 MPO submits project amendments for the TIP and MTP for inclusion in the Statewide TIP. Grant applications for approved projects will also be submitted to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

Detailed information of this RFP is available for downloading at the EPMPO website at <https://www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program> and/or is available at the EPMPO office, 211 N. Florence, Suite 202, El Paso, TX 79901. EPMPO staff contact: George Inostroza, ginostroza@elpasompo.org

**Mandatory meeting*



FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) - SECTION 5310 PROGRAM FUNDS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FY 2025-2026

FFY 2024 ALLOCATED FUNDS \$923,650

FFY 2025 ESTIMATED FUNDS \$923,650

***RFP DRAFT APPLICATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 15, 2024**

***RFP Final Submittal due by October 4, 2024 3:00 PM MDT**

211 N. FLORENCE, SUITE 202

EL PASO, TX 79901

FTA 5310 program works to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation service and expanding transportation mobility options. Eligible projects include both traditional capital investment and nontraditional investment beyond the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) complementary paratransit services. Statutory References: 49 U.S.C. Section 5310/FAST Act Section 3006. The RFP and related documents will be available on-line at the El Paso MPO's website www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program on July 8, 2024.

Public meetings will be held online on the following dates and times:

- On-demand virtual presentation: Available from July 8th to October 4th
- Live virtual meetings:
 - July 17th 4-6 p.m., and August 2nd 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
 - Join by phone at +1 (872) 243-2878 with the code 572 506 531#

To join by videoconference and for more information, visit our website at www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program, or you may request the information by contacting the MPO at ginostroza@elpasompo.org or (915) 212-0258.

**There is a mandatory review with a deadline of September 26, 2024 by MPO staff of project applications and supporting documentation prior to submittal. Contact Moraima Cervantes or George Inostroza at 915-212-0258 for more information. Final application packets should be sealed and mailed, couriered, or hand delivered to the office of the El Paso MPO by October 4, 2024 by 3:00 PM MDT. No entries will be accepted after this deadline.*

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the EPMPO will provide for reasonable accommodations for individuals with disabilities attending functions. Sign and foreign language interpreters will be provided upon request and availability. Requests must be received a minimum of 10 days prior to the function. Please call Marisol Enriquez at (915) 212-0258 to make arrangements.



El Paso Metropolitan Planning Organization

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) - SECTION 5310 PROGRAM FUNDS

SOLICITUD DE PROPUESTAS (RFP)-FY 2025-2026

PARA EL AÑO FISCAL FEDERAL 2024 SE ASIGNARON FONDOS POR \$923,650

PARA EL AÑO FISCAL FEDERAL 2025 SE ESTIMAN FONDOS POR \$923,650

***FECHA LÍMITE PARA ENVIAR BORRADOR DEL RFP: 15 DE AGOSTO DE 2024**

***Fecha Límite para Enviar el RFP Final: 4 de Octubre de 2024 A LAS 3:00 PM MDT**

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El programa FTA 5310 mejora la movilidad del adulto mayor y las personas con discapacidades eliminando barreras al servicio de transporte y expandiendo las opciones de movilidad. Los proyectos elegibles incluyen tanto inversiones tradicionales de capital como inversiones no tradicionales que van más allá de los servicios requeridos por la Ley de Americanos con Discapacidades (ADA). Referencias estatutarias: 49 U.S.C. Sección 5310 / Sección 3006 de la Ley FAST. La solicitud de propuestas (RFP) y otros documentos estarán disponibles en el sitio web de la MPO www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program el 8 de julio de 2024.

Las reuniones públicas se llevarán a cabo los siguientes días y horas:

- Reunión virtual en la página web de la MPO: Disponible del 8 de julio al 4 de octubre
- Reuniones virtuales:
 - 17 de julio, 4 a 6 PM, y el 2 de agosto, 11 AM a 1 PM
 - Para participar por vía telefónica llame al +1 (872) 243-2878 código 572 506 531#

Para unirse por videoconferencia y para obtener más información, visite nuestro sitio web www.elpasompo.org/FTASection5310Program, solicitando información a través del correo electrónico ginostroza@elpasompo.org o llamando al (915) 212-0258.

**Hay una revisión obligatoria con fecha límite del 26 de septiembre por parte del staff de la MPO de las solicitudes con la documentación de respaldo previa a la entrega final. Comuníquese con Moraima Cervantes o George Inostroza al 915-212-0258 para obtener más información. Los paquetes de solicitud deberán estar sellados y ser enviados por correo o mensajería o entregados en persona a la oficina del MPO antes del 4 de octubre de 2024 a las 3:00 PM MDT. No se aceptarán propuestas después de esta fecha.*

En conformidad con la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades, la EPMPPO facilitará la participación a personas con capacidades diferentes que deseen asistir a las sesiones. Se proporcionarán intérpretes de idiomas de señas y extranjeros previa solicitud y dependiendo de disponibilidad. Las solicitudes deberán recibirse con un mínimo de 10 días antes de la sesión. Llamar a Marisol Enríquez al (915) 212-0258 para coordinar arreglos.