NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT DTIM BTLRRH 44

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on DTIM BTLRRH 44, Wisconsin State Statute 85.21, a proposed guidance document.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21

days by: 1. Department's website: <u>https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DTIMBTLRRH44</u>

2. Mailing written comments to:

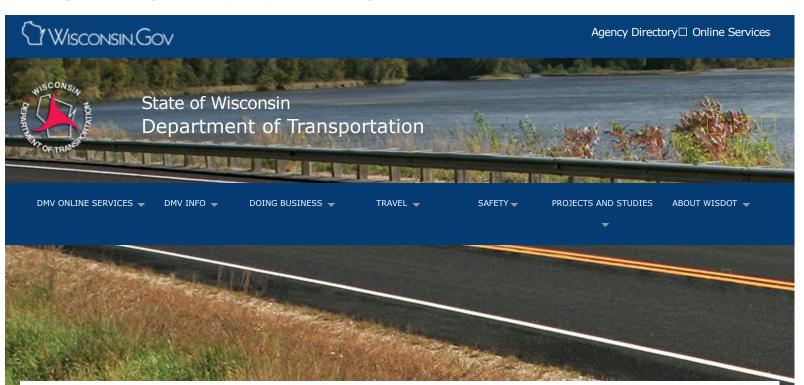
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WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at <u>wisconsindot.gov</u> to allow

for ongoing comment.

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County Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance

Transit programs

Public transit Specialized transit Federal compliance Procurement

The County Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance program provides counties with financial assistance to provide transportation services to seniors and individuals with disabilities.

The purpose of this program is to promote the general public health and welfare by providing financial assistance to counties providing transportation services for seniors and individuals with disabilities, and to thereby improve and promote the maintenance of human dignity and self-sufficiency by affording the benefits of transportation services to those people who would not otherwise have an available or accessible method of transportation.

Wisconsin counties (or agencies thereof) are the only eligible applicants for funds available under s. 85.21, Wis. Stats, which are allocated on annual basis as determined by current population estimates. Private for-profit or private non-profit organizations may provide service for counties through contractual agreements.

Further information on the County Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance program, may be found on the Wisconsin State Legislature website:

- State Statute for s.85.21
- Wisconsin Transportation Rule (Trans 1)

Reporting requirements

Each county that receives funds under Wis. Stat. 85.21 is required to provide adequate oversight and submit quarterly ridership and annual financial reports as outlined by the department.

- Quarterly Ridership Report for §85.21 funds
- Annual Financial Reports will be provided by the Program Managers at the end of the calendar year.

Annual allocation

"Subject to adjustments that ensure that each county receives not less than 0.5% of the total annual appropriation for the program, the amount of aids allocated to each county shall equal the total amount available for allocation for the calendar year multiplied by the ratio of the number of elderly and disabled persons in the county to the total number of elderly and disabled persons in Wisconsin." Wisc. Admin Rule Trans 1.02(3)

- 🗆 2019 Annual Program Allocation
- 🗆 2018 Annual Program Allocation
- 🗆 2017 Annual Program Allocation

2019 Annual application

The 85.21 applications for calendar year 2019 funding will need to be submitted by the county on an annual basis. The application is administered on-line through the BlackCat® Grant Management System. Applications must be submitted by a representative of each county (or agency thereof) and cannot be submitted by a third party provider.

The application materials for calendar year 2019 were released on September 5, 2018, and are due on December 14, 2018

The BlackCat® website requires a user name and password. If you are new to BlackCat® and/or need your password reset, please contact WisDOT Program Manager John Swissler for assistance.

Application resources

- □ BlackCat® Grant Management System Agency User Guide
- 🗆 2019 85.21 application guidelines
- □ 2019 85.21 application workbook

If you have any questions about the 85.21 Program, please contact the WisDOT Specialized Transit Program Managers.

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