

PARATRANSIT GAP GRANT PROGRAM

Program Fact Sheet



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PROJECT BENEFITS

The overarching objectives of the TUGO project address the gaps in service to monolingual, frail and vulnerable populations to access appropriate resources, health care and nutrition centered grocery shopping. The TUGO project meets the daily needs of residents by training Senior Companion volunteers, caregivers/family members to utilize taxi-scrip and to assist/escort aging adults with physical, emotional and social challenges.

These activities provide elderly residents with the necessary supports to maintain a high quality of life within the City of Oakland.

Taxi-Up and Go Program

Project Number: A13-0049 | April 2014



Project Highlights

The City of Oakland Paratransit for the Elderly and Disabled Program (OPED) and Senior Companion Program (SCP) have partnered to provide mobility management activities via the Taxi-Up & GO Project (TUGO). The TUGO project will utilize Senior Companion volunteers to trained caregivers and a case manager to assist monolingual, frail and vulnerable populations to access taxi-transportation, language appropriate resources, health care and peer socialization.

The TUGO partnership will enhance and expand the taxi scrip program to provide paratransit for older adults and people with disabilities to access escort companion and follow-up case management support for monolingual, frail and socially isolated seniors/residents within the City of Oakland.

Measure B Gap Grant Program

Alameda County's half-cent transportation sales tax funds the Measure B Paratransit Gap Grant Program, a competitive grant program. Approximately 10.45 percent of the sales tax revenues are directed to paratransit programs in an effort to increase mobility for seniors and people with disabilities. To date, Alameda CTC's paratransit grant program has funded approximately 70 projects and programs, totaling \$12.2 million, over five grant cycles.

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PROJECT BUDGET AND FUNDING	
<i>Measure B Funding</i>	
Gap Grant Award	\$185,000
<i>Matching Funds</i>	
Other Funds	\$0
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$185,000

PROJECT SCHEDULE	
<i>Grant Initiation</i>	<i>July 1, 2013</i>
Fiscal Year 2013-14 Operations	July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014
Fiscal Year 2014-15 Operations	July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015
GRANT COMPLETION	October 31, 2015

Project Status

In the first half of FY 13-14, the TUGO program provided 163 one-way escorted taxi-trips per month using over 35 volunteers and caregivers. The program transported a total of 124 clients per quarter

Over the second half of the fiscal year, the City of Oakland will continue the TUGO program transportation operations and will conduct an annual program satisfaction survey at the end of the year. The program continues to be promoted through publications, brochures, outreach events, and word of mouth.

PARATRANSIT GAP GRANT PROGRAM ACTIVE PROJECTS					
Area	Project	Project Sponsor	Grant Cycle	Measure B Funding Amount	Total Project Cost
S	Tri-City Travel Training Pilot Project	City of Fremont	4	\$230,000	\$290,000
N,C,S	Special Transportation Services for Individuals with Dementia	Alzheimer's Services of the East Bay	5	\$200,000	\$732,318
N	Accessible Group Trip Transportation for Youth and Adults with Disabilities	Bay Area Outreach	5	\$272,000	\$340,200
N, C	Mobility Matters! Project	Center for Independence Living	5	\$350,000	\$491,075
N	8-to-Go: A Demand Response, Door to Door Shuttle	City of Emeryville	5	\$106,000	\$186,200
S	Tri-City Mobility Management and Travel Training Program	City of Fremont	5	\$200,000	\$200,000
S	Tri-City Volunteer Driver Program	City of Fremont	5	\$250,000	\$250,000
S	Tri-City Taxi Voucher Program	City of Fremont	5	\$150,000	\$150,000
C	Central County Taxi Program	City of Hayward	5	\$52,100	\$144,500
E	Taxi-up and Go Project	City of Oakland	5	\$185,000	\$185,000
E	Downtown Route Shuttle	City of Pleasanton	5	\$85,544	\$105,777
N	Rides for Seniors	Senior Helpline Services	5	\$150,000	\$160,000
E	Volunteer Assisted Senior Transportation Program	Senior Support Program of the Tri-Valley	5	\$150,000	\$165,000
TOTAL				\$2,380,644	\$3,400,070