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## 5th Cycle Lifeline Transportation Program Call for Projects February 9, 2018

The City/County Association Governments (C/CAG) is pleased to announce the call for projects for the San Mateo County Lifeline Transportation Program (LTP). This program is designed to help low-income residents by funding transportation projects that will improve their mobility within the community. Public agencies including transit agencies, city/ county social service agencies, cities, counties, and non-profit organizations are encouraged to apply. Please see the attached general program information, application, and guidelines for information on project eligibility, funding requirements, and scoring criteria.

- There is approximately \$1.2 million in State Transit Assistance (STA) funding and approximately \$550,000 in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 funds available for the Cycle 5 San Mateo County Lifeline Transportation Program starting in fiscal year 2016/2017 through 2017/2018.
- Grant amount minimums and maximums are as follows:
  - \$50,000 to \$100,000 for transit based educational and outreach projects
  - \$100,000 to \$500,000 for shuttle and operation projects, transit capital projects, transit pass programs, and fixed transit route services.
- Seven (7) hard copies and one electronic version of the application is due to C/CAG no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 23, 2018**. Deliver to:

Attn: Jeffrey Lacap C/CAG of San Mateo County 555 County Center, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Redwood City, CA 94063 • <u>An applicant's workshop will be open to all entities interested in applying for funding.</u> <u>The workshop information is as follows:</u>

> Date: Thursday, February 15, 2018 Time: 10:00am Location: San Mateo County Transit District, 1250 San Carlos Avenue, 2nd Floor Auditorium, San Carlos (walking distance from the San Carlos Caltrain Station)

The workshop will cover the rules and application procedures for the 5th Cycle Lifeline Transportation Program.

• If your city/ county agency is not an STA or FTA recognized transit operator, you must obtain sponsorship to apply for funds through an eligible transit agency (SamTrans). Proof of sponsorship, in the form of a letter from SamTrans must be attached with your application. Please contact:

Rebecca Arthur San Mateo County Transit District 1250 San Carlos Avenue P.O. Box 3006 San Carlos, CA 94070-1306 (650) 508-6368

Please note that SamTrans will require \$6,000 in administrative fees to be budgeted in your project cost for passing through funds. It should be also noted that SamTrans will not pass through FTA Section 5307 funds this cycle. Applicants for Section 5307 activities must show proof of a pass through arrangement with another FTA approved transit agency. Please specify on the application if your agency is applying for FTA Section 5307 funds.

- The Metropolitan Transportation Commissions (MTC) adopted guidelines, application form, scoring criteria, map links, and additional information about the program will be posted on the C/CAG website at: <u>http://ccag.ca.gov/opportunities/call-for-projects/</u>
- Please contact Jeff Lacap at 650-599-1455 or jlacap@smcgov.org for questions regarding the program or application process.

Thanks,

Jeff Lacap Transportation Programs Specialist