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Subject: Notice of Funding Opportunity - Rides to Wellness Demonstration and Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility Grants

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The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) in the Federal Register on March 29, 2016 announcing the availability of approximately \$5.3 million of funding to support the Rides to Wellness Demonstration and Innovative Coordinated Access and Mobility Grants (R2W Demonstration Grants). This NOFO can be found at <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-03-29/pdf/2016-07008.pdf> and solicits proposals for funding under two programs:

- Approximately \$2 million in fiscal year (FY) 2016 funds under Section 3006(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST), which authorizes a pilot program for innovative coordinated access and mobility.
- Approximately \$3.3 million in FY 2015 funds for research projects under Section 5312, authorized by the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), public Law 112-141.

The goal of the competitive R2W Demonstration Grants is to find and test promising, replicable public transportation healthcare access solutions that support the following goals: increased access to care, improved health outcomes and reduced healthcare costs.

Eligible applicants include: States, Tribes, and Designated or Direct Recipients for funds under 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5310 or 5311. Proposers must serve as the lead agency of a local consortium that includes stakeholders from the transportation, healthcare, human service or other sectors. Members of this consortium are eligible as sub-recipients. Further, proposers must demonstrate that the proposed project was planned through an inclusive process with the involvement of the transportation, healthcare and human service industries.

Eligible projects must have implementation ready capital and operating projects that enhance access, such as: mobility management; health and transportation provider partnerships; technology; and other actions that drive change. These R2W Demonstration Grants will develop best practice solutions that other communities can replicate.

Complete proposals must be submitted electronically through the <http://www.grants.gov> website's "APPLY" function by **May 31, 2016**. Prospective applicants should initiate the process

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by registering on the GRANTS.GOV website promptly to ensure completion of the application process before the submission deadline.

Instructions for applying for these program funds can be found on FTA's website at <http://www.fta.dot.gov/grants/15066.html> (by clicking on the "Notices of Funding Opportunity" tab) and in the "FIND" module on the GRANTS.GOV website. Mail and fax submissions will not be accepted.

For questions regarding the R2W Demonstration Grants program, contact Danielle Nelson, FTA Office of Program Management, at 202-366-2160, or email danielle.nelson@dot.gov.

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Sincerely,

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