

Public Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Barbour County Senior Center, Inc. of 47 Church Street, PO Box 146, Philippi, WV 26416 is applying for a grant under 49 U.S.C. Section 5311. A general description of the grant proposal is as follows:

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT:

- (1) The Barbour County Senior Center, Inc. transportation service will provide deviated fixed route and demand response van service to the public of Barbour County.
- (2) Project location is Barbour County
- (3) Estimated cost of project- \$426,000.00 (50% Federal Share and 50% Local Share)
- (4) No persons, families, or businesses will be displaced by this project.
- (5) The proposed project will not have a significant environmental impact upon the service area/
- (6) All steps possible will be undertaken to aid elderly people and people with disabilities.
- (7) The agency has wheelchair lift equipped vans and trained drivers to help meet the needs of individuals with disabilities.
- (8) Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, no person(s) shall on the grounds of race, color or national origin be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under its program of transit service delivery and related benefits. If translation services of any type, written or oral, are needed, please contact the Barbour County Senior Center, Inc.

Should any 49 U.S.C. Section 5311 capital funds become available, purchased equipment may include, but not limited to: buses, vans, or other paratransit vehicles, radios and communications equipment, passenger shelters, wheelchair lifts and restraints, computer hardware/software, spare parts or components, and other durable goods. Persons interested in holding a public hearing regarding the possible procurement of capital equipment must submit a written request within 15 days of this notice.

The purpose of this notice is to afford affected citizens, private transportation providers, and other interested agencies an early opportunity to examine the proposal and offer comments and/or recommendations on the overall scope of the proposed project. The grant proposal will be available for public inspection and comment for 15 days from the date of this notice of March 3, 2023, between the hours for 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at the offices of the Barbour County Senior Center, Inc.

For further information and/or submission of comments, please contact Mike Alkire, Executive Director, Barbour County Senior Center, Inc. PO Box 146, Philippi, WV 26416.

Additionally, copies of comments may be submitted to the following: Executive Director, WV Division of Public Transit, Building 5 Room 650, 1900 Kanawha Blvd., E, Charleston, WV 25305-0432.