

NJ TRANSIT INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with Section 5 of P.L. 1984 c.578 of SCDRTAP, The New Jersey Transit Corporation (NJ TRANSIT) is conducting a public hearing in order to gather information and receive comments from interested parties concerning programs developed pursuant to the Senior Citizen & Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program (SCDRTAP) Act. Due to COVID-19, this year's informational hearings will be conducted virtually. We will be offering three (3) virtual informational hearing sessions which will cover the southern, central, and northern regions of New Jersey.

The Senior Citizen & Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program funds capital, operating, and/or administrative expenses for locally coordinated paratransit services for senior citizens and people with disabilities. The program also funds accessibility improvements to NJ TRANSIT's fixed route bus and rail system, the provision of technical assistance to the counties, and the administration of the statewide program.

All materials to be reviewed at this hearing are available in accessible formats upon request. Closed captioning is available for hearing impaired individuals. Individuals requesting language support should contact Customer Service at 973-275-5555 at least ten (10) business days prior to the hearing date. **If you plan to speak at one of these virtual hearings, please contact cderrick@njtransit.com or leave your contact information via voicemail at 973-491-7772 by Monday, October 11, 2021.**

The public is invited to the **October 28th** hearings below at which time they will have a full opportunity to express their views regarding the Senior Citizen & Disabled Residents Transportation Assistance Program. In order to assure that all members of the public are given an opportunity to be heard, comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. **Written comments for the record may be sent to Public Hearing Comments 2021, NJ TRANSIT, Local Programs & Community Transportation, One Penn Plaza East, 4th Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07105-2246, or via email at publichearings@njtransit.com by Thursday October 28, 2021.**

SENIOR CITIZENS & DISABLED RESIDENTS TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM INFORMATIONAL PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Thursday, October 28, 2021

Session 1: 5:00 pm – Southern Region

Session 2: 6:00 pm – Central Region

Session 3: 7:00 pm – Northern Region

Join on your computer or mobile app - [Click here to join the meeting](#)

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For those who **have** access to E-mail, please contact cderrick@njtransit.com by **Monday October 11, 2021** and you will be emailed the link to join the meeting via video teleconference. For those who do **not** have access to a PC, Laptop, I-pad, Tablet, or Smart Phone with E-mail, please use the telephone number and conference ID access code listed above to call in via telephone.

With this annual notice we also invite the public to review and comment on the State Management Plans (SMPs) for the following Federal grant programs administered by NJ TRANSIT.

- FTA Section 5310 The Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program
- FTA Section 5311 Non-urbanized Area Formula Program for Rural Areas

These are available for review and comment on the S-Rides website at <https://s-rides.njtransit.com>. (Click on the *Documents* link). Copies of the state management plans are also available upon request by calling 973-491-7772 or writing to NJ TRANSIT, Local Programs & Minibus Support Department, 4th floor, One Penn Plaza East, Newark, NJ 07105-2246. All comments can be submitted via the address above or by sending an email to SRIDES@njtransit.com.

An Access Link paratransit update will NOT be provided at this hearing. Access Link holds separate Customer Forums. If you have any questions regarding Access Link forums or service, please email adaservices@njtransit.com or call Access Link at 973-491-4224, choose option #5 for Customer Service, or call TT 1- 800-955-6765.

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