

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS FOR SECTION 5316 JARC

JARC funds may be used for capital, planning, and operating expenses that support the development and maintenance of transportation services designed to transport Welfare recipients and low-income individuals to and from jobs and activities related

to their employment. For examples of capital expenses, refer to “Capital Requests for Section 5310.” For examples of operating expenses, refer to “Eligible Expenses for Section 5311.” Examples of eligible projects include:

⇒ Providing late-night service, weekend service, or guaranteed ride home service;
⇒ Providing shuttle service;
⇒ Expanding fixed-route public transit routes;
⇒ Providing demand-responsive van service;
⇒ Ridesharing and carpooling activities;
⇒ Supporting transit-related aspects of bicycling (e.g., adding bicycle racks to vehicles to support individuals that bicycle a portion of their commute or providing bicycle storage at transit stations);
⇒ Supporting the marketing of:
✓ Transit use by workers who have non-traditional work schedules;
✓ Transit voucher programs for welfare recipients and other low-income individuals, managed by appropriate agencies;
✓ Employer-provided transportation, such as shuttles, ridesharing, or carpooling; the development of employer-provided transportation such as shuttles, ridesharing, carpooling.”; or
✓ Transit pass programs and benefits under Section 132 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, <i>Transit and Parking Benefit Regulations</i> ;
⇒ Supporting the administration of and expenses related to voucher programs. This is intended to supplement existing transportation services by expanding the number of providers available or the number of passengers receiving transportation services. Vouchers can be used as an administrative mechanism for payment to providers of alternative transportation services. The JARC program can provide vouchers to low income individuals to purchase rides, including:
(1) Mileage reimbursement as part of a volunteer driver program,
(2) A taxi trip, or
(3) Trips provided by a human service agency.
Transportation providers can then submit the voucher to the JARC project administering agency for payment based on pre-determined rates or contractual arrangements. Transit passes for use on fixed route or ADA complementary paratransit service are not eligible. Vouchers are an operational expense that requires a 50/50 (federal/local) match;
⇒ Applying Geographic Information System (GIS) tools;
⇒ Implementing Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS), including customer trip information technology;
⇒ Integrating automated regional public transit and human service transportation information, scheduling, and dispatch functions;
⇒ Deploying vehicle position-monitoring systems;
⇒ Supporting Mobility Management. See list of eligible activities at the end of this section.