

**ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM (49 U.S.C. § 5310)**

Section 5310 makes funds available to meet the special transportation needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities. These funds are apportioned to the states annually by a formula that is based on the number of elderly persons and persons with disabilities in each state. In FY 1998, \$62.2 million was appropriated for the Section 5310 program, and an additional \$29.5 million in flexible funds were transferred into the program. The program is administered through the states and it is at the state level that specific funding decisions are made.

Capital assistance is provided on an 80 percent Federal, 20 percent local matching basis, except vehicle-related equipment needed to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Clean Air Act Amendment (CAAA) requirements, which is fundable on a 90 percent Federal, 10 percent local matching basis. Those eligible to receive Section 5310 funding include private nonprofit agencies, public bodies approved by the state to coordinate services for elderly persons and persons with disabilities, or public bodies which certify to the Governor that no nonprofit corporations or associations are readily available in an area to provide the service.

The period of availability for Section 5310 funds is one year. Any amount of a state's apportionment remaining unobligated may be transferred to the Section 5311 or the Section 5307 program during the fourth quarter of the fiscal year. In FY 1998, approximately \$3.6 million was transferred from the Section 5310 program to the Section 5311 program. Any Section 5310 funds left unobligated or not transferred at the end of the fiscal year will be reapportioned among all the states in a subsequent year's apportionment. Funds totalling \$88.0 million were obligated to 51 grantees (states and territories) in FY 1998.

Since the program began in 1975, state agencies have obligated over \$793 million for the purchase of vehicles, equipment, or service designed to meet the needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities. The Section 5310 program has enabled thousands of elderly persons and persons with disabilities to achieve greater mobility and independence.

**TABLE 31  
FY 1998 OBLIGATIONS FOR ELDERLY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM**

STATE	TOTAL OBLIGATION		VEHICLES WITH LIFTS OR RAMPS		TOTAL NO. OF VEHICLES		30-40 FT. BUSES		< 30 FT. BUSES		SCHOOL BUSES		VANS		SEDANS/STATION WAGONS	
	AMOUNT	%		%		%	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$	#	\$
Alabama	\$2,333,640	2.7	14	35	2.1				5	\$174,660			30	\$769,665		
Alaska	458,402	0.5	9	10	0.6								10	420,917		
Arizona	951,875	1.1	21	31	1.9								31	868,800		
Arkansas	757,127	0.9	15	27	1.6				6	194,000			21	448,700		
California	32,416,131	36.8	137	137	8.3				64	3,115,331			73	2,737,578		
Colorado	741,333	0.8	14	14	0.8				13	471,400			1	28,000		
Connecticut	612,752	0.7	22	22	1.3				8	192,000			14	336,000		
Delaware	266,369	0.3	7	7	0.4				7	266,369						
District of Columbia	264,493	0.3	5	9	0.5				7	227,200			1	15,200	1	15,200
Florida	3,904,479	4.4	64	135	8.2				39	1,492,000	3	112,800	91	2,157,235	2	32,000
Georgia	1,393,604	1.6	3	17	1.0				3	91,200			14	340,000		
Hawaii	335,013	0.4	5	9	0.5				3	138,912			6	166,617		
Idaho	342,701	0.4	6	6	0.4				4	132,461			2	44,546		
Illinois	2,637,343	3.0	64	64	3.9				34	1,523,200			30	936,000		
Indiana	1,333,137	1.5	36	47	2.9						1	45,120	46	1,186,400		
Iowa	812,931	0.9	0	0	0.0											
Kansas	683,692	0.8	16	23	1.4								19	563,200	4	103,200
Kentucky	1,033,488	1.2	26	35	2.1								35	961,200		
Louisiana	1,036,792	1.2	26	32	1.9								32	900,000		
Maine	425,108	0.5	10	10	0.6				3	129,656			7	185,360		
Maryland	1,041,632	1.2	19	34	2.1				20	690,644			13	267,809	1	9,600
Massachusetts	1,494,388	1.7	40	40	2.4				5	220,000			35	994,000		
Michigan	2,225,945	2.5	33	47	2.9	1	144,000		32	1,681,114			14	338,796		
Minnesota	1,056,129	1.2	20	20	1.2				18	815,000	2	135,517				
Mississippi	260,944	0.3	3	7	0.4				4	135,356			3	57,600		
Missouri	1,351,757	1.5	20	53	3.2								51	1,055,818	2	25,589
Montana	315,531	0.4	8	10	0.6				6	216,731			4	88,000		
Nebraska	486,010	0.6	18	24	1.5								22	435,601	2	22,800
Nevada	365,018	0.4	9	11	0.7				8	257,489			3	63,668		
New Hampshire	345,580	0.4	8	9	0.5				5	198,020			4	113,000		
New Jersey	1,791,408	2.0	36	36	2.2	4	296,320		27	1,129,840			5	178,160		
New Mexico	0	0.0	0	0	0.0											
New York	4,133,304	4.7	104	104	6.3	17	1,246,228		87	2,484,008						
North Carolina	0	0.0	0	0	0.0											
North Dakota	270,598	0.3	5	8	0.5				6	230,198			2	40,000		
Ohio	2,638,426	3.0	81	81	4.9								81	2,397,426		
Oklahoma	893,710	1.0	21	21	1.3				11	348,160			8	158,880	2	24,000
Oregon	1,315,902	1.5	27	27	1.6								27	1,144,022		
Pennsylvania	3,160,669	3.6	67	78	4.7				67	2,714,400			11	339,440		
Puerto Rico	789,788	0.9	17	17	1.0	7	354,200						10	324,000		
Rhode Island	379,868	0.4	9	9	0.5								9	369,868		
South Carolina	864,320	1.0	12	26	1.6								26	570,560		
South Dakota	291,138	0.3	13	13	0.8				7	204,000			6	72,000		
Tennessee	1,339,940	1.5	18	54	3.3				12	434,800			42	844,160		
Texas	3,263,857	3.7	83	83	5.0	1	19,320		19	700,062			63	1,929,597		
Utah	400,751	0.5	6	11	0.7				2	80,000			9	244,000		
Vermont	493,008	0.6	9	9	0.5								9	248,400		
Virginia	1,320,844	1.5	21	43	2.6								43	1,273,824		
Virgin Islands	134,312	0.2	3	3	0.2								3	123,597		
Washington	824,338	0.9	17	17	1.0				15	535,080			2	72,596		
West Virginia	635,202	0.7	20	22	1.3								22	589,700		
Wisconsin	1,210,555	1.4	37	56	3.4				22	418,422			34	671,078		
Wyoming	208,717	0.2	6	6	0.4	3	105,000						3	78,717		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$88,043,999</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,290</b>	<b>1,649</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>\$2,165,068</b>	<b>569</b>	<b>\$21,641,713</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>\$293,437</b>	<b>1,027</b>	<b>\$28,149,735</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>\$232,389</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<i>(Percent of Vehicles by Type)</i>						<i>2.0</i>		<i>34.5</i>		<i>0.4</i>		<i>62.3</i>				

NOTES: Funds for the following states were transferred to the Non-urbanized Area Formula Program: AL - \$344,170; CT - \$234,771; GU - \$132,334; MS - \$475,000; NM - \$429,057; NC - \$1,583,068; No. Mar. - \$52,014; WA - \$361,655.  
Obligations for the following states include Flexible Funds: Alaska - \$277,400; Alabama - \$1,600,000; California - \$26,636,464; Illinois - \$108,625; Michigan - \$60,500; Oregon - \$484,079; Tennessee - \$69,741; Vermont - \$250,000  
In the 30-40' Category: Michigan bus is 40 ft; all others are 30 ft.  
The description "School Buses" refers to the type of bus, not the use of the bus.