



February 20, 2018

To: Fox Cities Transit Commission

From: Debra Ebben
Administrative Services Manager

Subject: Approve 2018 Federal Section 5310 Sub-recipient Contract.

Background:

In 2013 Valley Transit was appointed the direct recipient of Federal Section 5310 – Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities funds. The Section 5310 program is a discretionary program designed to improve transportation for seniors and customers with disabilities beyond the traditional public transportation services and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) complementary paratransit services. At its April 23, 2014 meeting, the Fox Cities Transit Commission approved a Memorandum of Understanding between East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (ECWRPC) and Valley Transit to administer and receive Section 5310 grant funds.

Under the agreement, Valley Transit retains 45% of the annual apportionment to apply toward projects that adhere to the requirements of the grant, with the remaining 55% of the funding awarded through an application process to other programs that meet the intent of the grant. As prescribed in the Memorandum of Understanding, Valley Transit and ECWRPC jointly managed the grant process to award 2018 funds. After review of the applications received, the evaluation committee awarded \$116,561 in federal funding to Making the Ride Happen. Making the Ride Happen will use the funding to continue their mobility management program in the Fox Cities, including operation of a call center and volunteer driver program. Making the Ride Happen is a non-profit program under Lutheran Social Services.

Valley Transit has oversight responsibility for this project and meets quarterly with sub-recipients to review financial data, performance and progress. The Grant revenue is equal to the expected expense.

Recommendation:

Approve the 2018 Federal Section 5310 Sub-recipient Contract.