



Mobility Advisory Committee

August 19 | 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. | Special
Meeting

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and introductions**
- 2. FTA Section 5310 Applicant Presentations**
- 3. Member updates**

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Please write your **name and organization** you represent in the **Teams chat**. This will be used to take attendance

JCT 5310 Accessible Vehicle Replacement



JCT 5310 Accessible Vehicle Replacement

- **Project Description**
- Johnson County Transit is requesting funding to purchase two accessible replacement vehicles for its shared-ride, curb-to-curb paratransit service. The vehicles will replace 2018 and 2019 models that are in poor condition and have exceeded their useful life, with one of the vehicles only used for training purposes at the garage. Once delivered, the new vehicles will be placed directly into service.

JCT 5310 Accessible Vehicle Replacement

- **Project Need**
- Vehicle replacement is necessary to keep pace with increasing demand and maintain dependable service for people with disabilities.
 - Annual ridership climbed from 76,482 trips in 2023 to more than 90,000 in 2025
 - The vehicles being replaced have more than 159,000 and 171,000 miles and are in poor condition
 - Continued use increases maintenance demands and the risk of disruptions to essential trips for healthcare, employment and other daily needs

JCT 5310 Accessible Vehicle Replacement

- **Population Served**
 - Johnson County residents with disabilities who are eligible for paratransit service, including persons with disabilities and adults over 65 with mobility restrictions
 - Customers depend on accessible transportation to reach healthcare, employment, education, shopping and other essential destinations
 - Countywide need continues to grow: 18.1% of residents are age 65 or older, and 6.1% of residents under 65 have a disability
 - **Location:** all of Johnson County Kansas, with some portions of KCMO and KCKS

JCT 5310 Accessible Vehicle Replacement

- **Scalability**
 - The full funding request will replace two aging paratransit vehicles
 - If partially funded, the project can be scaled to one replacement vehicle
 - One vehicle would improve fleet reliability but would not fully address the identified replacement need
 - **Total 5310 Request: \$216,325**
- **Total Match: \$38,175**

Vehicles to Transport Individuals with Severe Developmental Disabilities

Harry S. Truman
Children's
Neurological Center,
dba TNC Community





Vehicles to Transport Individuals with Severe DD

- **Project Description**

- Requesting 3 accessible transit vans to support about 70 individuals who live in TNC Community homes with very high levels of need, including complex medical conditions
- 1 Van will be dedicated to medical transport for health appointments and emergency medical care; 2 vans will be stationed at homes to support individuals' access to services, resources, healthcare, and community integration
- Since 2023, TNC Community has added 4 homes (total operated is 15), a 19% increase in capacity

This project will enhance quality of life, health outcomes, and independence of individuals by providing dependable transportation that supports their ability to receive services and actively participate in their communities.



Vehicles to Transport Individuals with Severe DD

- **Project Need**

- Lack of available vehicles means individuals are missing services, health appointments, and community integration opportunities.
- Wheelchair-accessible vehicles located at individuals' homes are necessary to ensure safe, reliable, and timely access to community, medical care, employment/day services, personal activities, and emergency or unplanned needs.
- Recent survey of guardians: several comments regarding wanting their loved one to get out of the house/out into the community more



Vehicles to Support Individuals with Severe DD

- **Population Served**
 - 100% severe IDD, around-the-clock staff supervision, low incomes
 - 80% complex medical conditions
 - 51% age 50+
 - 45% assist with all activities of daily life

- **Location:** Missouri's Kansas City area in Jackson and Clay counties



Vehicles to Transport Individuals with Severe DD

- **Scalability**
 - Prioritize 1 van for medical transport and 1 van for home support
 - Matching funds already secured through private grant for medical transport van

- **Total 5310 Request: \$223,200**

- **Total Match: \$55,800**

2026 LINC Senior Mobility Vehicle Proposal

Greater KC LINC Inc.



LINC Senior Mobility Van



Project Description: LINC requests Section 5310 project funding for an older adult transportation service

- **Project Type:** Traditional Capital / Mobility Management Expansion (FTA Section 5310)
- **Lead Operator:** LINC (Local Investment Commission)
- **Main Operations Hub:** Palestine Senior Citizens Activity Center (Kansas City, MO)
- **Primary Geographic Focus:** Prospect Avenue Corridor

LINC Senior Mobility Van



Project Need

- Citizen-led, site-based councils assess needs, identify solutions, and evaluate results
- The council identified that many older adults with mobility issues lack transportation and therefore are often unable to access services
- Sharp decline in the number of meals served in January-February, when winter weather prohibits individuals who rely on assistive devices from walking to the center

Location:

- PSAC serves as hub located at **3325 Prospect Ave., KCMO**
 - Palestine Gardens, 2627 E 33rd St, 58 units
 - Palestine Gardens North, 3220 Montgall Ave, 60 units
 - Palestine Commons, 2651 E 34th St, 69 units
 - St. Regis Apts., 1400 E Linwood Blvd, 85 units
 - Martin Luther King Village Apts., 2525 Euclid Ave, 108 units
 - Faxon School Apts., 3710 Paseo, 46 units
 - Sanford B. Ladd School Apts., 3640 Benton Blvd, 82 units
 - DA Holmes II, 3020 Benton Blvd, 42 units

LINC Senior Mobility Van



Population Served

- Older adults and individuals with mobility impairments residing along the Prospect Corridor who require access to life-sustaining services, pharmacies, grocery hubs, and localized enrichment programming.
- According to ACS demographic data for the census tracts (aggregated) within the project area:
 - Of a total population of 25,364:
 - 16.4% are adults age 65+;
 - 71.8% are Black or African American (vs. Jackson Co. 24.8%)
 - 33.8% of adults 65+ have income below the poverty level in the past 12 months (vs. Jackson County 10.9%)
 - 48.4% of civilian noninstitutionalized adults age 65+ have a disability (vs. Jackson County 33.7%).

LINC Senior Mobility Van



Scalability

- Funding request is to support the purchase of one new Ford Transit 15-passenger accessible van with a mobility uplift.
- Should a lesser amount be awarded, we propose to purchase a smaller van (e.g., 10 passenger)
- The LINC Mobility Van expects to achieve the following transit outcomes:
 - # of people: 3,750 (15 per day x 5 days per week x 50 weeks per year)
 - # of rides: 7,500 (30 per day x 5 days per week x 50 weeks per year)
- **Total 5310 Request: \$155,148**
- **Total Match: \$23,272**
 - LINC provided staffing for driver

2026–2027 Section 5310 Fleet Bus Replacement



Replacing
Fleet Buses to
Keep eitas
Riders Moving

Section 5310



Project Description

- Eitas is a Jackson County political subdivision serving people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families.
- Replace 10 high-priority, model-year 2018 ADA-accessible buses used in existing service.
- Transportation is a core eitas service with staff, maintenance and fleet systems already in place.
- Core services also include provider investments, training, support coordination and community outreach.

Section 5310



Project Need

- 10 model-year 2018 ADA-accessible buses have reached the end of useful life.
- 2.15 million combined miles; 0 years of useful life remain; 100% high replacement priority.
- \$275K+ in documented repairs; 80+ breakdowns; 357+ days out of service.
- These are replacement vehicles, not a new service expansion.

Section 5310



Population Served

- 312 current riders; 84,680 annual one-way trips; 870,643 annual service miles.
- 42 people are on the waitlist.
- 94% of riders qualify for Medicaid; approximately 1 in 3 riders are age 65 or older.
- Transportation supports employment, day programs, community services, daily routines and relationships.

Location: Jackson County, Missouri



Section 5310

Scalability

- Request replaces 10 high-priority ADA-accessible buses.
- Full funding replaces all 10 high-risk buses and protects current service.
- Existing service, infrastructure and deployment capacity are already in place.

Total 5310 Request: \$1.28 million

Total Match: \$320,000

Life Unlimited Enhanced Mobility Vans 2026

Life Unlimited:

Mission: Supporting people with disabilities as they experience life with unlimited possibilities.



Life Unlimited Enhanced Mobility Vans 2026



Project Description

- Requesting 6 vehicles: (4-9 passenger assessable vans, 1-lowered Floor Accessible Mini-Van, and 1-14 passenger (straight) Van for Residential and Day Habilitation Programs in Clay and Jackson County Mo.
- Replacing 2 existing accessible, aged, high mileage vehicles, ages 2010 & 2015, mileage from 110,125 & 116,000 miles & replacing with 2 -9 passenger accessible vans to maintain existing services and expand service levels Residentially. Both in poor condition.
- Replace 1 accessible 5 passenger mini van, aged, high mileage vehicle age 2106 with 107,224 miles & replace with 1 accessible mini van to maintain existing services and expand service levels Residentially. Fair to poor condition.
- Replacing 1 existing Section 5310 -14 passenger (straight van) year 2016 aged, high mileage with 160,926 miles & replacing with a 14 passenger van (straight) to maintain and expand service levels Residentially. Poor Condition.
- Requesting 2- 9 passenger new accessible vans to support new service and expand services in Day Habilitation.
- A service to 7 day a week, peak to after hours available from approx. 8:00 am to 10:00 pm to weekends within a Demand Response & Through Door Service.
- Supporting all daily needs as medical, nutrition, employment, shopping banking, recreation, dental apts., enhanced ability to access not just locally, but also Regional Resources and beyond, & fuller participating in the economy & improved quality of life
- NOTE: All replacement vehicles meet the mileage and vehicle year (age).

Life Unlimited Enhanced Mobility Vans 2026



○ Project Need

- Aged, high mileage vehicles needing replaced
- Need available, accessible, safe, reliable and dependable transportation
- Vehicles to support new and expanding services to meet the growing need, as other transportation options are Inadequate, Insufficient and can be Inappropriate.
- Riders/consumers are 95% low income or poverty according to the Census Bureau, and not able to afford many other options, & 99% have no vehicles & are not able to drive.
- Projected 10,445 increase in person trips per year to meet need (219% increase)
- Projected 790 additional person trips annually to meet Regional access needs (188% increase).
- Project additional 54 different (new) riders to meet the need (135% increase).
- Projected to increase in a total up to 9 additional service hours a day with dependable and reliable vehicles.

Life Unlimited Enhanced Mobility Vans 2026



Population Served In Project:

- Adults & seniors with intellectual and developmental disabilities, including (but not limited to) mental retardation, autism and downs syndrome, & physical disabilities etc.
- In our Residential and Day Habilitation Programs.
- Our population served demographics include those of African American, Asian, Filipino, Hawaiian, Caucasian and those identifying as multi-cultural.
- Individuals must qualify and be approved for our specialized services through the Kansas City Regional Offices for disability determination. .
- Of Low or poverty income & can not drive & have no other means of transit support.
- The riders/clientele daily program needs, interests, routines and schedules is what drives our transit support for those we serve.
- **Location:** Clay and Jackson County Missouri

Life Unlimited Enhanced Mobility Vans 2026



- **Scalability**

Yes. We can reduce our Project Proposal if necessary to five (5) Vehicles as opposed to six (6). This would reduce the Proposal by \$60,350 of Federal Funds, reducing our Federal Funds request to \$410,200 towards 5 vans.

- **Total 5310 Request: \$470,550 Federal Funding**
- **Total Match: \$87,450**

NOTE: MARC Project Fee of 1% is \$4,706

Heartland Wheels

Door-Through-Door
Transportation for Adults
with Intellectual and
Developmental Disabilities

Heartland, Inc.
(L'Arche Heartland)



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Heartland Wheels



Project Description

- New traditional capital project. 7 minivans requested. Hybrid or electric welcome. 1 accessible, 6 non-accessible.
- Go anywhere, at any time, for any reason. 12,000 new trips that directly meet coordinated plan goals to expand service flexibly.
- In-depth service to targeted, high-need population ***with the specialized support they need***. 89 people receiving 28,000 total one-way passenger trips and 64,183 miles annually.

Heartland Wheels



Project Need

- Adults with disabilities are 9.4 percentage points more likely than non-disabled peers to live in zero-vehicle households.
- None of our clients drive independently. We provide all their transportation.
- The support needs (behavioral, medical, and/or mobility) of our clients make public transit and most para-transit inappropriate modes of transportation.

Heartland Wheels



Population Served

- 89 adults (18+), 100% with intellectual and developmental disabilities and 100% low-income

Location: Johnson County, Kansas

Heartland Wheels



Scalability

- No new hires. Heartland will provide drivers trained in the specific needs of individual riders. Can start the project right away.
- Can successfully implement with as few as one vehicle but need seven.

Total 5310 Request: \$339,000

Total Match: \$81,000

GoodRide Mobility Management Project

GoodLife Innovations, Inc.



GoodRide Mobility Management Project



●Project Description

- Launch a centralized, person-centered mobility management system led by a full-time Logistics Coordinator.
- Deploy the implementation-ready GoodRide platform to coordinate requests, optimize routes, and match each trip with the right resource.
- Add three program-supported sedans and improve use of GoodLife's existing 50-vehicle fleet.
- Expand reliable access to employment, medical appointments, education, shopping, recreation, and other community activities.

GoodRide Mobility Management Project



●Project Need

- In 2025, GoodLife completed more than 87,000 trips and traveled nearly 782,000 miles, yet transportation gaps remained.
- GoodLife used 2,182 Lyft rides at a cost of nearly \$38,000; 60 rides were canceled, disrupting essential trips.
- Riders and staff report long waits, incorrect pickup locations, limited early/late availability, language barriers, and discomfort with unfamiliar drivers.
- GoodRide will improve reliability, choice, scheduling efficiency, and coordination across available transportation options.

GoodRide Mobility Management Project



- **Population Served**

- Approximately 115 adults receiving GoodLife services, including people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, traumatic brain injuries, behavioral health needs, physical disabilities, and aging adults.
- Most participants live below the poverty line, rely on Medicaid-funded services, and cannot drive independently.
- Expected impact: about 4,300 additional trips annually, 25% fewer transportation disruptions, and 15% higher participation in community enrichment activities.

- **Location**

- Johnson County and across the Kansas City region.

GoodRide Mobility Management Project



- **Scalability**

- The Logistics Coordinator and GoodRide platform establish the mobility management system and can begin improving coordination immediately.
- If the full request is not awarded, GoodLife can phase sedan purchases or adjust the implementation timeline while continuing to optimize its existing fleet.

- **Total 5310 Request: \$152,250**

- **Total Match: \$54,158**

- Total project cost: \$208,472

AbleLight Kansas City Accessible Vehicle Replacement

AbleLight



KC Accessible Vehicle Replacement

Project Description

- Replace a 2014 Dodge Grand Caravan rear-ramp van that is at the end of its useful life and in poor condition.
- Purchase an ADA-compliant Ewald Fleet Solutions minivan configured for two wheelchair positions.
- Restore dependable, no-fee, door-through-door transportation for eight residents, with secondary support for the Options Day Program as needed.
- Total estimated project cost: \$70,000.

KC Accessible Vehicle Replacement

Project Need

- Current vehicle: 72,548 miles, 151 months in service, and poor condition.
- A November 2025 engine failure put the vehicle out of service for at least one month, disrupting medical and worship trips.
- The home relies on this vehicle for roughly 76 essential one-way trips each month.
- Fixed-route public transit is not a viable alternative for residents with mobility, communication, behavioral, or medical needs.

KC Accessible Vehicle Replacement

Population Served

- Adults with developmental disabilities living in AbleLight's Kansas City-area residential homes.
- Primary home serves eight low-income residents; at least one resident is over age 65.
- 100% of residents served have developmental disabilities and live on low incomes.
- Location: Kansas City area; potential secondary benefit to AbleLight's Options Day Program serving about 20 people.

KC Accessible Vehicle Replacement

Scalability

- Single-vehicle replacement; full funding preserves the strongest two-wheelchair configuration.
- If funding is reduced, AbleLight can increase local contribution, pursue donor support, or select a lower-cost accessible configuration.
- Project is ready to implement upon award; the replacement vehicle has been identified.
- **Total 5310 Request: \$59,500**
- **Total Match: \$10,500**

Johnson County Mental Health

The Corey Stoltz
Transportation Program



Johnson County Mental Health



- **Project Description**

- Johnson County Mental Health Center (JCMHC), a department of Johnson County Government, is the licensed Community Mental Health Center and Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic (CCBHC) serving Johnson County, Kansas. JCMHC provides comprehensive behavioral health services for adults with serious mental illness, children with serious emotional disturbance, and individuals with co-occurring substance use disorders. Services include outpatient treatment, crisis intervention, case management, community support, and transportation. JCMHC also provides transportation services for its clients and for Johnson County Developmental Supports (JCDS), which supports individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities through services that promote independence, community inclusion, employment, and access to essential services.

Johnson County Mental Health



- **Project Need**
 - JCMHC and Johnson County Developmental Supports (JCDS) require additional transportation capacity to meet growing demand for accessible transportation. In 2025, JCMHC provided 34,695 one-way passenger trips, averaging 104.5 rides per day, while continuing to receive more transportation requests than the program can accommodate. JCDS clients account for approximately 25 rides per day, further increasing demand for limited fleet resources. JCMHC currently operates 27 vehicles, but four high-mileage vehicles are scheduled for replacement, reducing the operational fleet to 23 vehicles without new funding. If awarded, the requested 12 sedans/SUVs will increase annual transportation capacity to approximately 47,912 one-way trips (160.5 rides per day), improving access to behavioral health treatment, employment, education, medical appointments, and other essential community services for older adults and individuals with disabilities

Johnson County Mental Health



- **Population Served**
- JCMHC serves Johnson County residents living with mental illness, including adults with serious mental illness (SMI), children with serious emotional disturbance (SED), and individuals with co-occurring substance use disorders. We also provide transportation services for clients of Johnson County Developmental Supports (JCDS), serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities(IDD).Transportation is essential for many clients who are older adults, have disabilities, or experience barriers to accessing care. In 2025, 253 clients(15.7%) were age 60 or older, and 47% of JCMHCclients lived below the federal poverty level. Reliable transportation enables clients to access behavioral health treatment, medical appointments, employment, education, grocery shopping, and other essential community services while supporting independence and recovery.
- **Location:**
- JCMHC provides transportation throughout Johnson County, Kansas, which is approximately 483 square miles. Service is also provided up to 10 miles inside Wyandotte County, Kansas (directly to the north) and Jackson County, Missouri (directly to the east), both of which are within the Kansas City metropolitan area and adjacent to Johnson County.

Johnson County Mental Health



- **Scalability**

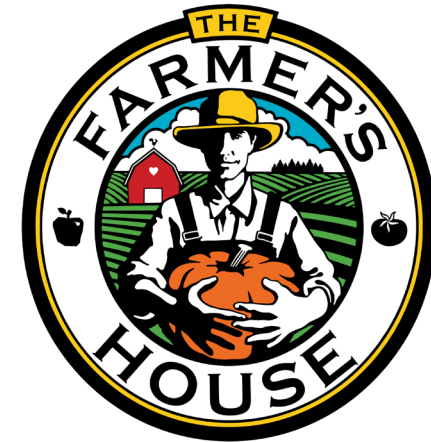
If full funding is not available, JCMHC will prioritize replacing the four high-mileage vehicles to maintain safe and reliable transportation services. Additional vehicles awarded will be used to expand fleet capacity based on available funding. This phased approach ensures the project continues to support the goals of the Section 5310 program while increasing transportation access for older adults and individuals with disabilities

- **Total 5310 Request: \$369,324**

- **Total Match: \$73,864**

Transportation for Community Integration & Employment

The Farmer's House



Transportation for Community Integration and Employment



- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iK1zccZtink>

Transportation for Community Integration and Employment



- **Population Served**
 - Individuals with developmental disabilities (18 and older)
- **Location:**
 - Greater Kansas City: Jackson County, Platte County, Clay County

Transportation for Community Integration and Employment



○ Project Description

Transportation for access to person-centered programs that help individuals build life and job skills, develop meaningful relationships, and become active members of their communities.

Transportation for Community Integration and Employment



- **Scalability**
 - Program expansion will be scaled to our transportation capacity and a wait list for services will persist and clients will be enrolled based on transportation seating availability.
- **Total 5310 Request: \$220,000**
- **Total Match: \$50,000**

Inclusion Connections Transportation

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Connections
PawsAbilities
BelongKC.

Inclusion Connections Transportation

- **Project Description**

- Requesting three vehicles to expand and strengthen Inclusion Connections' transportation fleet.
- Vehicles will support PawsAbilities workforce development, job placement, job coaching, pop-up sales events, and BelongKC residents.
- Adds reliable transportation when current vehicles are in use or older vehicles become unserviceable
- Service currently supports work-related transportation and will expand to appointments, social opportunities, and community participation as BelongKC opens.

Inclusion Connections Transportation

- **Project Need**

- Transportation is a major barrier because the individuals served cannot drive.
- The current fleet includes five vehicles, with four older vehicles ranging from 2010 to 2019 and one 2025 vehicle.
- Projected growth: 5,000 rides in 2027, expanding to 10,000 annual rides after BelongKC opens.
- Reliable transportation helps sustain employment, job training, community access, and independence for adults with I/DD.

Inclusion Connections Transportation

- **Population Served**
 - Adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), which includes but is not limited to Autism, Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and other support needs.
 - 90% of participants are Medicaid eligible and earn less than \$12,490 per year.
 - 29% are people of color
- **Location:** Olathe, KS and surrounding Johnson County communities.

Inclusion Connections Transportation

- **Scalability**
 - If full funding is not awarded, Inclusion Connections will continue using older vehicles and fundraising to meet transportation needs. Reduced funding would limit service reliability and make it difficult to serve both PawsAbilities students and future BelongKC residents.
- **Total 5310 Request: \$122,400**
- **Total Match: \$30,600**

Wheels to Wellness: Project Replacement Van

The Evangelical
Lutheran Good
Samaritan Society



Wheels to Wellness: Project Replacement Van

- **Project Description**

- Purchase one replacement van to be used for the elderly and/or disabled residents at Good Samaritan Olathe.
- This vehicle will be equipped to transport bariatric residents.
- Residents rely on us for transportation to medical appointments, shopping trips and community events.

Wheels to Wellness: Project Replacement Van

- **Project Need**

- We need to ensure residents are dropped off and picked up safely and exactly where they need to be rather than use public transportation.
- We need to replace our most deteriorating vehicle.
- We need to address the repair log describing our declining fleet. The long list of damages and ongoing repairs, include:
 - Lift doors are broken
 - Water damage
 - Rust
 - Rear air conditioning doesn't work



Wheels to Wellness: Project Replacement Van

- **Population Served**

- Residents who live on 3 campuses affiliated with Good Samaritan Society Olathe: Hoeger House, Cedar Lake Village and Good Samaritan-Olathe

- **Location:**

- Hoeger House – 20911 W 153rd St.
- Cedar Lake Village – 15325 S. Lone Elm Road
- Good Samaritan-Olathe – 20705 W. 151st St.

Wheels to Wellness: Project Replacement Van

- **Scalability**
 - If full funding is not awarded, our transportation service would be significantly hampered.
 - Without funding, we would reevaluate our program and look to getting an accessible van that is not appropriate for bariatric residents.
- **Total 5310 Request: \$62,689**
- **Total Match: \$11,063**

7. Member Updates



Thank you!

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: SEPTEMBER 9