

CHEROKEE COUNTY TRANSIT

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Transportation Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 9/25/2024

Attendance/Sign-in:

Ridership:

Deviated-fixed route: averaging 21 trips a day (up from 15 last quarter)

Demand response trips: averaging 80 trips a day (up from 79 last quarter)

Contracted Services:

NC Medicaid Managed Care - 30 trips this quarter (up from 0)

NC Medicaid Direct- averaging 5 trips a day (down from 6)- 279 this quarter

IOI- averaging 21 trips/ day (up from 20) 1230 this quarter

MURPHY REHAB AND NURSING- 0 trip this quarter

SENIOR SERVICES TRIPS- averaging 33 trips/ day (down from 36) 1938 this quarter

Grant updates:

FY26 5310, 5311, and Capital grant application are due October 4th

FY26 5311 Admin Grant application –\$191,479. Up from \$182,361 last year.

FY26 5310 Operating Grant application- \$104,400. Up from \$90,000

COMBINED CAPITAL GRANT- for FY26, we will be replacing 3 raised roof vans. We are still waiting on four from previous years.

FY26 ROAP- application due October 4th.

EDTAP-\$68,916

EMPL-8,992

RGP- \$72,585

Application asks if the county has asked the TAB to recommend how the funds are sub-allocated. RGP is required to be sub-allocated to the Community Transportation

Program (that is Cherokee County Transit). EMPL and EDTAP can be sub-allocated to other agencies or non-profits. However, coordination with the Transportation Program is encouraged. Also, when deciding the allocations, the county is supposed to take into consideration the need for and importance of the PUBLIC transportation services provided by Transit.

ETDAP- to be used for the elderly over 60 and the disabled for personal care, errand running, medical appointments, etc. No purchase of service, passes, etc

EMPL-is for those transitioning off of TANF and Workforce Development or the disadvantaged and general public for employment related transportation.

RGP is to be used for the general public that do not have a human service agency to pay for their transportation. The origin or destination has to be in a rural area.

How does the TAB recommend the county allocate the ROAP funds? As usual to the Cherokee County Transit for the manner just described.

Home Community Care Block Grant update-as of August we have expended 18% of the budget. Right around where we are supposed to be for the year, 17%.

FY25 TAB meeting dates:

*12/18/24 (Last Wednesday of month is Christmas.)

3/26/25

6/25/25