Promoting the availability and accessibility of transportation options for older adults, people with disabilities, caregivers, and communities.

NADTC Grants

In the Community and Across the Nation

2017-18 Grantees

2017: $300,000 in grants awarded to 6 Communities in 5 States: Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Ohio, and Virginia

2018: $200,000 in grants awarded to 10 Communities in 10 States: Colorado, Maine, Maryland, New Mexico, Nevada, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, and Texas

“To receive funding dedicated to innovation is incredibly exciting for us. It allows us the opportunity to try and discover new mobility options that might better meet the travel needs of some of our residents.”

—Richard Farr, Executive Director of rabbittransit, York County, PA, 2018 NADTC grantee (courtesy Public Opinion Online)

National Aging and Disability Transportation Center
“…we know that if we make the community work for the very youngest and we make the community work for the oldest, it works for the rest of us in between as well.”
—Laura Kittross, Public Health Program Manager, Berkshire Regional Planning Commission (MA), 2017 NADTC grantee. (courtesy WAMC Northeast Public Radio)

2017 Innovations Grants

Innovations in Accessible Mobility grant projects support program innovations that increase accessible transportation options for older adults and people with disabilities living in the community and maximize the utilization of Section 5310 and other federal funding investments. Grantees received up to $50,000 each to expand mobility opportunities.

- **Area Agency on Aging 1-B in Southfield, MI** created and promoted a travel training program, conducted travel training courses, recruited a volunteer travel trainer, and provided instruction on how to use local transit to nearly 100 individuals.

- **Berkshire Regional Planning Commission in Pittsfield, MA** developed cross-jurisdictional transportation to enable more reliable access to medical appointments.

- **City of Hernando in Hernando, MS** expanded transportation service and hours to the community Farmer’s Market to increase social interaction and improve health and developed a free adult 3-wheeled “tricycle” bike share program for seniors and people with disabilities.

- **Mountain Empire Older Citizens in Big Stone Gap, VA** recruited and trained volunteers to assist transit passengers with chronic conditions and those receiving kidney dialysis and added a care coordinator to an existing one-call center.

- **Peace Village/Cancer Justice Institute in Cincinnati, OH** created a centralized mobility navigation hub and trained navigators to assist with arranging for transportation to cancer screenings and treatment. The program also established same day bus and van service to health centers for cancer care.

- **Senior Transportation Connection in Cleveland, OH** consolidated transit services with the Services for Independent Living and increased access to local activities by providing evening and weekend service.
2018 Planning Grants

Getting Ready to Innovate grantees have received up to $20,000 each to lay the groundwork for innovative approaches that offer greater access to transportation for older adults and people with disabilities. Grantees will develop community support and commitment to move toward full implementation.

- **3P Ride, Inc. in York, PA,** will identify and evaluate replicable programs or applications for connecting individuals to transportation.

- **Capacity Builders, Inc. in Farmington, NM** is leading the Northwest New Mexico Transportation Alliance Project consortium of transit services, human service programs, the Northwest New Mexico Regional Transportation Organization, and the Navajo Nation to increase transportation options for 25,000 rural residents.

- **Feonix—Mobility Rising,** working with the **Coastal Bend region in Texas** will lay the groundwork for establishing Mobility as a Service (MaaS) and an on demand volunteer transportation program to address gaps in night, weekend, cross-county, and on-demand transportation.

- **North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization in Fort Collins, CO,** will develop and pilot test an innovative one-call/one-click service to facilitate connection to transportation.

- **University of Nevada in Reno, NV,** will identify transportation and mobility options to support engagement in meaningful social and recreational activities.

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2018 Planning Grants

- Greater Portland Council of Governments in Portland, ME, will design ready-to-launch transportation solutions designed by and responsive to the mobility needs of older adults and individuals with disabilities. Solutions under consideration include a healthcare center transportation pilot, marketing/capacity building for shopper shuttles, and a free bus pass program.

- Easterseals DC/MD/VA in Silver Spring, MD, serving the DC Metro Area, will develop a mobile app for ADA complementary paratransit riders to support independent mobility.

- Piedmont Triad Regional Council Area Agency on Aging in Kernersville, NC, will identify options for addressing transportation following release from hospital stays or emergency room visits.

- INCOG Area Agency on Aging in Tulsa, OK, will identify solutions to serve and better connect those living in food deserts to healthy food sources.

- Shared Mobility, Inc. in Buffalo, NY, will investigate ways specific shared ride services (bikeshare, car sharing, volunteer vanpooling) can innovate to better serve older adults and individuals with disabilities.