

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**

**INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION**

DATE: November 20, 2013

TO: Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., Chairman  
Transportation, Public Works & Transit Committee

FROM: Brian Dranzik, Director, Department of Transportation

SUBJECT: Public Hearing on Milwaukee County's Section 85.21 Grant Application

**OPENING STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN**

The Committee on Transportation, Public Works & Transit will now conduct a public hearing on the subject of Milwaukee County's application for a state grant in the amount of \$2,041,419 under Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes – the Specialized Transportation Assistance Program for Counties. The grant is proposed to be used during 2014 to support Transit Plus and one transportation program for the elderly offered through the Department on Aging.

Persons wishing to speak today on this particular subject should secure a witness identification slip to give to the clerk. Please limit your comments to the two projects proposed in the grant application.

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Informational Report

**BACKGROUND**

State financial aid is available to counties through the 2014 Specialized Transportation Assistance Program for Counties, as authorized by Section 85.21, Wisconsin Statutes. This aid is allocated according to each county's share of the state's elderly and disabled population.

A county may use its allocated aid in a variety of ways. It may directly provide specialized transportation service; it may purchase service from, or assist, any other public or private organization that supplies such service; or it may directly subsidize elderly or disabled persons for their use of existing services such as taxis. Both equipment acquisitions and operating expenses are eligible, as are the related expenses of coordination, technical studies and in-service training.

In order to receive its allocation, a county must provide a 20 percent cash match, conduct a public hearing and submit an application. The due date for the 2014 application is December 31, 2013.

Milwaukee County is scheduled to receive \$2,041,419 in 2014, to be allocated to Transit Plus (\$1,428,993) and the Department on Aging (\$612,426).

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Brian Dranzik, Director  
Department of Transportation

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## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

On an application for a grant under the Specialized Transportation Assistance Program for Counties - Section 85.21, Wisconsin Statutes.

Notice is hereby given that the Committee on Transportation, Public Works and Transit of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 4, 2013, at 9:00 A.M. in Room 201-B, Milwaukee County Courthouse, 901 North Ninth Street, Milwaukee, WI.

Milwaukee County intends to apply for a grant for calendar year 2014 requesting \$2,041,419 under Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Milwaukee County will provide matching funds of at least 20 percent of the state grant.

It is proposed to use the total funds available to partially support Transit Plus - Milwaukee County Paratransit Services, which will subsidize the transportation of persons who meet the eligibility requirements prescribed in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and a specialized elderly transportation program offered through the Department on Aging. At the hearing, there will be an opportunity for all persons or agencies interested in the grant application for these projects to submit written or oral comments and recommendations.

A draft copy of the grant application is available for public inspection in the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation, Milwaukee County-City Campus, 2711 West Wells Street, Suite 300.