#### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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#### **ACCESS FOR ALL PROGRAM**

#### NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

## **Funding Year 2021-2022**

This notice is to announce the availability of a \$21 million statewide Access for All Fund, administered by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), for Funding Year 2021-2022.

The Access for All Program Overview and Requirements was released on March 30, 2021, which provides all necessary information about the selection and approval of LAFAs, disbursement of funds, compliance with data reporting, program timeline and other implementation matters.<sup>2</sup> For more information on how to apply, please visit <a href="https://www.cpuc.ca.gov/tncaccessadmin/">www.cpuc.ca.gov/tncaccessadmin/</a>.

### **Deadline for Local Access Fund Administrator Applications**

Decision <u>D.20-03-007</u> defined eligible LAFAs as Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs), and County Transportation Commissions (CTCs). For these eligible entities, please note that applications to serve as a LAFA for the 2021-2022 Funding Year are due May 1, 2021. For the 2021-2022 Funding Year, the Board Resolution component of the application must be submitted by July 9, 2021 to avoid any delay in the distribution of funding by September 30, 2021. If the Board Resolution is submitted after July 9, 2021, the LAFA may not receive funding until after September 30, 2021.

#### Funding Year 2021-2022: Available Funds

The amount of funds available for each geographic area as of April 8, 2021 are provided in the table below. These fund balances reflect fees collected and offsets approved from Q3 and Q4 of 2019, and Q1 and Q2 of 2020. Note that these balances could increase by up to \$5.4 million pending the outcome of the appeal to review disposition of Uber Advice Letter 4B and Lyft Advice Letter 4B; the balances will not be reduced.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See California Public Utilities Code §5440.5(a)(1)(F).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Access for All Program Overview and Requirements <u>here</u>.

# Funding Year 2021-2022:

COUNTY	ESTIMATED AVAILABLE FUNDS	COUNTY	ESTIMATED AVAILABLE FUNDS
ALAMEDA	\$750,956	ORANGE	\$2,099,892
ALPINE	\$0	PLACER	\$95,495
AMADOR	\$166	PLUMAS	\$321
BUTTE	\$54,746	RIVERSIDE	\$556,433
CALAVERAS	\$35	SACRAMENTO	\$860,921
COLUSA	\$118	SAN BENITO	\$1,292
CONTRA COSTA	\$280,268	SAN BERNADINO	\$518,767
DEL NORTE	\$30	SAN DIEGO	\$2,976,536
EL DORADO	\$30,619	SAN FRANCISCO	\$2,708,181
FRESNO	\$222,519	SAN JOAQUIN	\$115,408
GLENN	\$92	SAN LUIS OBISPO	\$79,752
HUMBOLDT	\$10,993	SAN MATEO	\$811,852
IMPERIAL	\$8,477	SANTA BARBARA	\$211,702
INYO	\$10	SANTA CLARA	\$1,219,308
KERN	\$186,190	SANTA CRUZ	\$96,717
KINGS	\$4,269	SHASTA	\$24,731
LAKE	\$25	SIERRA	\$0
LASSEN	\$1	SISKIYOU	\$25
LOS ANGELES	\$6,630,467	SOLANO	\$92,678
MADERA	\$2,108	SONOMA	\$137,712
MARIN	\$113,937	STANISLAUS	\$81,766
MARIPOSA	\$144	SUTTER	\$7,337
MENDOCINO	\$263	TEHAMA	\$207
MERCED	\$22,672	TRINITY	\$0
MODOC	\$0	TULARE	\$28,042
MONO	\$359	TUOLUMNE	\$338
MONTEREY	\$98,419	VENTURA	\$192,777
NAPA	\$74,018	YOLO	\$99,846
NEVADA	\$3,802	YUBA	\$4,284
STATEWIDE TOTAL	\$21,518,022		

### **Program Background**

Senate Bill (SB) 1376, the TNC Access for All Act, mandated Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) to provide access for persons with disabilities, with a primary focus on wheelchair users who need wheelchair accessible vehicles (WAVs). SB 1376's goal is to increase on-demand wheelchair accessible transportation to meet the needs of persons with disabilities, including wheelchair users who rely on WAV transportation. The CPUC implemented SB 1376 through proceeding R.19-02-012 by creating the TNC Access for All Program.

In July 2019, through Decision <u>D.19-06-033</u>, CPUC continued implementing SB 1376 by creating the TNC Access for All Fund (Access Fund), which is funded by a \$0.10 per-trip Access Fee collected by TNCs on each completed TNC trip, starting July 1, 2019. TNCs remit the fees to the CPUC on a quarterly basis beginning the third quarter of 2019. TNCs may offset the fees owed to the Commission by investing in the improvement of WAV service in each geographic area. Any remaining fees are remitted to the CPUC and deposited into the Access for All Fund.

The Access for All Program, governed by the <u>Access for All Program Overview and</u> <u>Requirements</u>, awards funding to approved Local Access Fund Administrators (LAFAs) in each county. LAFAs are responsible for selecting eligible Access Providers to establish on-demand transportation programs or partnerships to meet the needs of persons with disabilities, including wheelchair users who rely on WAV transportation. In Decision <u>D.20-03-007</u>, the Commission determined that LAFAs shall administer the program to Access Providers within their respective jurisdictions. Eligible LAFAs include Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs), and County Transportation Commissions (CTCs). Decision <u>D.21-03-005</u> establishes the eligibility requirements for Access Providers. A forthcoming Track 4 Decision is pending, which might influence these eligibility requirements.

Additional program information can be found on the <u>Access For All Fund</u> page on the <u>CPUC</u> website.

If you have questions about the Program, please contact Anna Jew or Reagan Rockzsfforde at <a href="mailto:tncaccess@cpuc.ca.gov">tncaccess@cpuc.ca.gov</a>.