PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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ACCESS FOR ALL PROGRAM

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

2022-2023 Funding Year

This notice is to announce the availability of a \$19.3 million statewide Access for All Fund, administered by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), for the 2022-2023 Funding Year.

Access for All Program Overview and Requirements V1.2 was released on February 11, 2022, which provides all necessary information about the selection and approval of Local Access Fund Administrators (LAFAs), disbursement of funds, compliance with data reporting, program timeline and other implementation matters.² For more information on how to apply, please visit www.cpuc.ca.gov/tncaccessadmin/.

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 2022-2023 Funding Year are due April 1, 2022. For the 2022-2023 Funding Year, the Board Resolution component of the application must be submitted by July 8, 2022 to avoid any delay in the distribution of funding by September 30, 2022. If the Board Resolution is submitted after July 8, 2022, the LAFA may not receive funding until after September 30, 2022, but is still required to obligate funds to Access Provider(s) by July 1, 2023.

2022-2023 Funding Year: Available Funds

The amount of funds available for each geographic area as of December 2021 are provided in the table below. These fund balances reflect fees collected, offsets and exemptions approved, 19/20 cash balances, and audit contract expenses from Q3 and Q4 of 2020 and Q1 and Q2 of 2021 (the source funds for the 2022-2023 Funding Year). Note that these balances could increase by up to \$2.5 million pending the outcome of the review disposition of Uber Advice Letters 9 and 10 and Lyft Advice Letters 7 and 8B; the balances will not be reduced.

¹ See California Public Utilities Code §5440.5(a)(1)(F).

² See Access for All Program Overview and Requirements <u>here</u>.

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2022-2023 Funding Year:

COUNTY	ESTIMATED AVAILABLE FUNDS	COUNTY	ESTIMATED AVAILABLE FUNDS
ALAMEDA	\$1,372,891	ORANGE	\$3,009,943
ALPINE	\$0	PLACER	\$164,988
AMADOR	\$188	PLUMAS	\$393
BUTTE	\$78,495	RIVERSIDE	\$330,621
CALAVERAS	\$41	SACRAMENTO	\$1,400,947
COLUSA	\$135	SAN BENITO	\$1,962
CONTRA COSTA	\$203,861	SAN BERNADINO	\$996,347
DEL NORTE	\$28	SAN DIEGO	\$1,793,473
EL DORADO	\$50,232	SAN FRANCISCO	\$2,666,686
FRESNO	\$136,597	SAN JOAQUIN	\$186,963
GLENN	\$105	SAN LUIS OBISPO	\$42,857
HUMBOLDT	\$13,163	SAN MATEO	\$1,100,617
IMPERIAL	\$12,581	SANTA BARBARA	\$192,340
INYO	\$11	SANTA CLARA	\$1,745,928
KERN	\$314,695	SANTA CRUZ	\$134,239
KINGS	\$4,911	SHASTA	\$35,527
LAKE	\$81	SIERRA	\$0
LASSEN	\$16	SISKIYOU	\$24
LOS ANGELES	\$2,005,673	SOLANO	\$68,767
MADERA	\$2,832	SONOMA	\$228,435
MARIN	\$143,239	STANISLAUS	\$108,022
MARIPOSA	\$157	SUTTER	\$10,559
MENDOCINO	\$421	TEHAMA	\$255
MERCED	\$27,751	TRINITY	\$0
MODOC	\$0	TULARE	\$39,183
MONO	\$361	TUOLUMNE	\$419
MONTEREY	\$70,325	VENTURA	\$286,657
NAPA	\$108,276	YOLO	\$146,332
NEVADA	\$5,617	YUBA	\$6,780
STATEWIDE TOTAL	\$19,251,947		

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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 is implementing 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, starting July 1, 2019, is funded by a \$0.10 pertrip Access Fee collected by TNCs on each completed TNC trip. 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 Access for All Program Overview and Requirements, 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 D.20-03-007, 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 D.21-03-005 establishes the eligibility requirements for Access Providers. Subsequently, D.21-11-004 further modified the eligibility requirements for Access Providers to allow a non-permitted transportation carrier to apply as long as they can demonstrate comparable safety protocols as a permitted transportation carrier.³

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

If you have questions about the Program, please contact Anna Jew or Reagan Rockzsfforde at tncaccess@cpuc.ca.gov.

³ See <u>D.21-11-004</u> Ordering Paragraph 12.