

Rides Mass Transit District
Jackson County Mass Transit District
FY 2018 Program of Projects (POP)
Carbondale UZA

General

Rides Mass Transit District (RMTD) is the public transportation provider for the Williamson County portion of the Carbondale Urban Area and direct recipient of Federal Section 5307 funding. Jackson County Mass Transit District (JCMTD) provides service in the other portion of the UZA, the City of Carbondale. Funding is allocated through a population based formula by the Southern Illinois Metropolitan Planning Organization. Currently Williamson Co. (RMTD) receives 58% and the City of Carbondale (JCMTD) 42%.

FY 2016 Section 5307 apportionments for the Carbondale UZA were authorized at \$905,147. Per the MPO population formula, RMTD would receive \$524,985 and JCMTD is eligible for \$380,162.

Section 5307 Project TIP# RMTD-18-01 for IL FY 2018

RMTD will utilize 100% its share of the FY 2017 5307 funds apportioned for operating assistance in IL FY 2017. The RMTD overall budget for maintaining existing service levels is \$2,116,248 and derived from federal, state and local RMTD funding sources:

RMTD Local - \$215,702 (includes fare revenue)

State - \$1,375,561

Federal – \$524,985

The projected program will allow for 57,539 service hours of operation and provide 638,283 unlinked passenger trips. This represents an expansion of urban services offered. More budget detail can be found in exhibit A.

Section 5310 Rides to Wellness TIP# RMTD-17-06

In this demonstration project, RMTD in cooperation healthcare providers, will be using mobility management to reduce patient readmissions and improve access to services including mental health and substance abuse treatment. Through the Rides Plus one call centers, healthcare facilities or patients can access information about all the public and private providers that may

fit their travel request and have their choice arranged for them. This is especially important for complex trips requiring multiple modes or providers. Assistance is also given for prior approval requests for human service funding agencies such as senior programs, Medicaid, etc. Data collection and focus group activities to measure effectiveness will be provided by Southern Illinois University, School of Medicine Center for Rural Health & Social Service Development.

This project was awarded in FY 17 and missed POP listing for that year. Total funding for the project that will run from 01/01/17 to 06/30/18 is \$648,800.

Section 5307 Project TIP# JCMTD- 15- 02 for IL FY 2018

JCMTD will utilize \$350,000 of FY 2015/2016 funds apportioned for operating assistance in IL FY 2018. The JCMTD overall budget for maintaining existing service levels is \$782,906 and derived from federal, state and local JCMTD funding sources:

JCMTD Local - \$58,950 (includes fare revenue)

State - \$373,956

Federal – \$350,000

The projected program will allow for 17,451 service hours of operation and provide 43,153 unlinked passenger trips.

Federal funding is an important part of financing for these projects. Service levels would be greatly reduced without Federal participation.

Service Plan

RMTD and JCMTD provide services via deviated routes and zoned point deviated services. Generally, services are provided door to door as required. Deviated routes will deviate up to 1 mile off the scheduled path. Zoned services cover entire communities. The Rides Plus Call Center can be reached at 844-718-1882 or 844-220-1243 to make reservation on either provider. Riders can also contact JCMTD dispatch at 618-549-0304 or the RMTD office at 618-993-1900. Passengers can schedule a pickup at their home or other location. Passengers returning home or continuing to another destination may access a bus at any designated stop location or call for a pick up if not prearranged. Stop locations are available on route maps.

The general service description also applies to rural areas of Williamson County and Jackson County. These services are provided under the Section 5311 program and are not part of the RMTD/JCMTD urban POP process.

Rides Dispatch and Service hours

Dispatch service is available from 6 AM to 8 PM Monday through Saturday. Bus service is available 7 days a week. Night service is available Monday through Saturday until midnight but must be prearranged during dispatch hours or accessed at a designated stop. Limited service available on Sunday, but must be prearranged during dispatch hours or accessed at a designated stop.

Jackson Co. MTD Dispatch and Service Hours

Dispatch is available from 7 AM to 6PM Monday through Friday. Service hours are from 7 AM to 5 PM Monday through Friday. No evening or weekend services proposed.

Fares - Rides

In-County route service.

Adult-\$2.00

16 years of age and older

Children \$1.00

6-15 years of age and must be accompanied by an adult.

Children 0-5 years of age ride **FREE** and must be accompanied by an adult.

Discount tickets are available in books of 10.

Adults under 60 \$15.00

Adults over 60 and/or disabled \$7.50

Children 6—15 years and must be accompanied by an adult \$5.00

30 Day Basic Pass:

Unlimited trips on existing routes:

Over 60 and/or disabled: \$10.00

Under 60: \$25.00

Fares – JCMTD

Adult-\$2.00

15 years of age and older

Children 6-15 years – \$1.00

Children 0-5 years- Free and must be accompanied by an adult.

Title VI Notice

Rides Mass Transit District hereby gives public notice of its policy to uphold and assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and all related statutes. Title VI and related statutes prohibiting discrimination in Federally-assisted programs require that no person in the United States of America shall on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, sex, age, or disability be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to, discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance.

Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by an unlawful discretionary practice regarding RMTD's programs has the right to file a formal complaint. Any such complaint must be in writing and submitted to the RMTD Title VI Coordinator within one hundred eighty, (180) days following the date of the alleged occurrence. For more information regarding civil rights complaints, please contact:

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This notice is posted at JCMTD facility and our website, www.jcmtd.com.

JCMTD observes the same Title VI notice which is posted at their facility and on their website at jcmtd.com

Alternative Formats

Brochures and other media are available in alternative formats such as braille and large print to meet the needs of persons with disabilities and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) individuals upon request. Generally, the website at www.ridesmtd is equipped with google translate and can also be viewed in accessible formats provided within the user's software. A Spanish version of the brochure is also provided via a link on the homepage.

Information for JCMTD can be obtained by calling 618-549-0304 or at their website at jcmtd.com.

**TTY Users Dial:
1-800-526-0844**

Public Participation

The project is designed to meet the needs of a majority of the citizens in the urban area. It is important however that we receive input from members of the public about the design and performance of the system. Your involvement will help us plan a better more effective system. Members of the public are urged to provide comment at the hearing or in writing to:

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