

UNIFIED GRANT APPLICATION

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Important – While the state or federal regulations do not require a public hearing, it can be conducted if required locally.

Section 5311 (ADTAP), 5310, 5339, 5307 and applicable State funding, or combination thereof.

This is to inform the public that a public hearing will be held on the proposed Macon County Community Transportation Program Application to be submitted to the North Carolina Department of Transportation no later than October 2nd, 2026. The public hearing will be held on Tuesday September 8th, 2026 at 6:00 PM before the Macon County Board of Commissioners.

Those interested in attending the public hearing and needing either auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or a language translator should contact Darlene Asher, Transit Director on or before September 1st, 2026, at telephone number 828-349-2566 or via email at dasher@maconnc.org.

The Community Transportation Program provides assistance to coordinate existing transportation programs operating in Macon County as well as provides transportation options and services for the communities within this service area. These services are currently provided using Light Transit vehicles and lift-equipped vans. Services are rendered by Macon County Transit.

The total estimated amount requested for the period July 1, 2027 through June 30, 2028.

NOTE: Local share amount is subject to State funding availability.

Project	Total Amount	Local Share
5311 Administrative	\$ <u>204,175</u>	\$ <u>30,626.25</u> (15%)
5310 Operating (No State Match)	\$ <u>270,000</u>	\$ <u>135,000</u> (50%)
Combined Capital	\$ <u>484,932</u>	\$ <u>96,986</u> (20%)

Funding programs covered are 5311, 5310, 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities, 5307 (Small fixed route, regional, and consolidated urban-rural systems)

TOTAL	\$ <u>995,107</u>	\$ <u>262,612.25</u>
	Total Funding Requests	Total Local Share

This application may be inspected at Macon County Transit, 36 Pannell Lane, Franklin, NC 28734 from 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM M-F. Written comments should be directed to Darlene Asher, Transit Director ***before*** September 1st, 2026.

End of Notice