



# MOBILITY

---

# NEWS

## Project Spotlight

### Coordinated Public Transit-Human Service Transportation Plan for NE Ohio UPDATE

Throughout 2018, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) will be leading the update of the Coordinated Public Transit-Human Service Transportation Plan for Northeast Ohio. The plan will cover the years 2019-2022 and include information about specialized transportation in Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina Counties.

The Coordinated Plan is required by the Federal Transit Administration, and is closely tied to Section 5310 funding from NOACA. Section 5310 helps local social service and transit agencies, non-profits, municipalities and other transportation providers with funding their services targeted at seniors and individuals with disabilities. Eligible funded items include vehicles, communications equipment

and software, accessibility improvements and mobility management activities.

A Coordinated Plan helps regions and counties take stock of their existing specialized transportation, assess future needs, and make goals and strategies for meeting those demands and improving mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities. The Plan also helps to prioritize and evaluate projects for 5310 funding, and encourages coordination between transportation providers to make the best and most efficient use of available resources.

An essential piece of a Coordinated Plan is community outreach and input, especially targeted at seniors and individuals with disabilities. Collaboration between specialized populations and the transportation providers who serve them will make for a stronger and more complete Plan.

**NOACA is excited to engage with all specialized transportation stakeholders in the coming year!**

*For more information or to read previous Coordinated Transportation Plans, click the logo to the right or visit the NOACA website at [www.noaca.org](http://www.noaca.org)*



## Mobility News

### National Aging and Disability Transportation Center Publications

The National Aging and Disability Transportation Center (NADTC) is a program funded by the Federal Transit Administration, Easterseals and the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging. Their website, located at [www.nadtc.org](http://www.nadtc.org), has a wealth of information about transportation issues and resources for seniors, individuals with disabilities, and their caretakers.

The links and icons to the right will take you to several new, useful publications from NADTC, shared in their January newsletter.

Dementia, Caregiving and Transportation  
<http://bit.ly/2EJ9Cs8>



Service Animals and Transportation  
<http://bit.ly/2CyjD9z>

Before You Give Up the Keys: Create a Roadmap for Transportation Independence  
<http://bit.ly/2ogB7mD>



# 2018 SCHEDULE:

## NEO Mobility Coalition

FEBRUARY

20

10:30am-Noon  
NOACA Offices  
1299 Superior Avenue  
Cleveland

MAY

8

10:30am-Noon  
TBD  
If you are interested in  
hosting, let Sarah or  
TJ know!

AUGUST

14

10:30am-Noon  
Senior Transportation  
Connection  
Headquarters

NOVEMBER

13

10:30am-Noon  
TBD  
If you are interested in  
hosting, let Sarah or  
TJ know!



### SECTION 5310 FUNDING

As the metropolitan planning organization in NE Ohio, NOACA (Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency) is the Federal Transit Administration's designee of these funds for specialized transportation programs. These funds can be used to purchase accessible vehicles, communications equipment and software, accessibility improvements, and mobility management projects.

The winter application period has ended, but look out for the next application cycle! If you would like to be notified of the next funding cycle or have questions, contact Jim Thompson at [jthompson@mpo.noaca.org](mailto:jthompson@mpo.noaca.org).

### SAVE the DATES

**NEO Mobility Coalition Meeting**  
May 8, 2017 10:30am-Noon  
Location TBD



### SIL Transportation Coalition

April 26, 2018 1-2:30pm  
Services for Independent Living Offices  
26250 Euclid Ave, Suite 801, Euclid

**Coordinated Plan Public Outreach  
and Stakeholder Meetings**  
Spring 2018: dates, times and  
locations across NE Ohio coming soon!