

AgeGuide Request for Proposals FY2025 Frequently Asked Questions #4 April 18, 2024

Can you give me any information on how the 15% match and billing works?

Title IIIB grants require a 15% match. This means that the grant recipient is responsible to pay 15% of the grant expenses; AgeGuide will pay 85% of the program expenses. If you spend \$100 to deliver the program, AgeGuide will pay a maximum of \$85.

You can meet your required match in 2 ways:

1. In-Kind – you can count the estimated dollar values of donated goods or services
2. Local Cash – you can contribute cash toward the expenses

More information can be found in the [RFP Introduction](#) beginning on page 10. Federal rules governing match may be found in the [2CFR Uniform Administrative Requirements](#).

We are a public transportation agency and already provide rides for seniors along with all others. How will the matching requirement work for us? We receive operating grants that also require a match. For senior rides, would seniors have to be the only riders on the bus at that time?

All grant recipients will need to develop a cost allocation plan to determine how to allocate costs across various grant programs. For a transit program, there can be multiple types of riders taking the same vehicle (see page 6 of the [Transportation Service Standards](#)). Grantees should have a plan to determine the individual operating cost per rider. The total cost of the rides provided to riders in the AgeGuide grant program, along with any other administrative costs allocated specifically to the AgeGuide grant, would then be reported to us in your quarterly reports. AgeGuide would pay a maximum of 85% of those costs and your agency must contribute the remaining 15%.

For IIIB Transportation programs, cash match must be from a non-federal source. However, in some cases IIIB Transportation funds may be used as match for other federal programs, such as Federal Transit Administration grants. All Older Americans Act IIIB Transportation specific terms and requirements would still need to be met, including the requirement for match. You should refer to the specific terms of the other grants that you receive to determine whether Federal Older Americans Act IIIB Transportation funds may be used as matching share.

Here are some resources that may be helpful to you as you design your grant program:

<https://www.nadtc.org/wp-content/uploads/USAgging-NADTC-Transportation-Funding-Guide-508.pdf>

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/sites/fta.dot.gov/files/2021-04/ccam-federal-fund-braiding-guide-june-2020.pdf>

Although other riders may be on the bus, OAA riders may not be charged for rides and may only be asked for a voluntary donation.