

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

TO DISTRIBUTE FFY 2014 FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) TITLE 49 U.S.C. SECTION 5310 FUNDS FOR THE FFY 2014 YOUNGSTOWN OH-PA URBANIZED AREA APPORTIONMENTS, AS AUTHORIZED UNDER THE US DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT (MAP-21) AMONG THE WESTERN RESERVE TRANSIT AUTHORITY (WRTA), TRUMBULL COUNTY TRANSIT BOARD (TCTB) AND THE CITY OF SHARON, PA

WHEREAS, this Letter of Agreement sub-allocates the funding apportionments in the Youngstown, OH-PA Urbanized Area for the FFY 2014 FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program between the Western Reserve Transit Authority (WRTA), the Trumbull County Transit Board (TCTB), and the City of Sharon; and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Census reflects that the Sharon PA Small Urbanized Area remains part of the Youngstown, OH-PA Urbanized Area (UZA) which incorporates Mahoning and Trumbull Counties, OH, and a portion of Mercer County, and

WHEREAS, the City of Sharon, PA apportionment of FTA Section 5310 Program for the Youngstown, OH-PA UZA will be included in the Pennsylvania Department Of Transportation's (PennDOT) apportionment of statewide funding as outlined in this Letter of Agreement, and FTA Section 5310 regulations; and

WHEREAS, the WRTA, the City of Warren (on behalf of the Trumbull County Transit Board), and the City of Sharon, (on behalf of the Shenango Valley Shuttle Service) have FTA's "Authorized Designated Recipient" status for the Urbanized Area Program Funds (known as Section 5307 Program) in the Youngstown, OH-PA UZA, and this status is unchanged by this Letter of Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the WRTA and the TCTB will have "authorized Designated Recipient status" for the FTA Section 5310 Program Funds for the Ohio portion of the UZA; and PennDOT will have the same "Authorized Designated Recipient" status for the sub-allocation of funds that represent the City of Sharon's funding allocation from the Youngstown, OH-PA UZA; and

WHEREAS, it is mutually agreed upon that Eastgate Regional Council of Governments (Eastgate), Mercer County Regional Council of Governments (MCRCOG), WRTA, TCTB, the City of Sharon, FTA Region V and Region III will work together to maintain consistency of the region's transportation plans and programs, and meet federal planning regulations and compliance issues to receive federal funding for their respective areas; and

WHEREAS, the WRTA, TCTB and the City of Sharon shall be responsible for their own respective grant applications, and project administration activities and agree to continue to work within their respective FTA Regions for administration of their program of projects; and

WHEREAS, the WRTA, TCTB, and PennDOT, representing the interests of the City of Sharon's apportionment under the FTA Section 5307 Program shall hold each other harmless for any findings that the Federal Transit Administration, or other agency or office, may issue against expenditures of their respective sub-allocation of FFY 2014 Section 5310 Program Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Western Reserve Transit Authority, the Trumbull County Transit Board and the City of Sharon mutually agree that the total available FFY 2014 FTA Section 5310 Apportionments allocated to the Youngstown OH-PA urbanized area shall be apportioned as follows:

1. The Western Reserve Transit Authority shall receive \$226,397, to be utilized for Projects meeting the eligibility requirements of the Section 5310 program.
2. The Trumbull County Transit Board shall receive \$173,111, to be utilized for Projects meeting the eligibility requirements of the Section 5310 program.
3. The Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), representing the interests of the City of Sharon on behalf of the Shenango Valley Shuttle Service, is the designated recipient for Section 5310 funds in the state of Pennsylvania, including the Pennsylvania portion of the Youngstown OH-PA Urbanized Area and, as a result, the City of Sharon portion of the sub-allocation, \$51,987, will be included in PennDOT's apportionment of statewide funding for its Section 5310 Program; and

WHEREAS, any FTA Section 5310 funds that are allocated and separated for the Youngstown, OH-PA UZA shall only be utilized in the Youngstown OH-PA UZA; and

WHEREAS, the apportionments herein above provided to WRTA, TCTB and PennDOT shall be limited to the FY 2014 fund allocation herein addressed without creating any precedent or practice in or for apportionment in future years. Further, sub-allocations between WRTA, TCTB and PennDOT in future years shall be based on annual Section 5310 Appropriations; the annual apportionment to the Youngstown OH-PA Urbanized Area; the respective apportionment formulas for these programs; and U.S. Bureau of the Census and the Federal Transit Administration's National Transit Database and other information used in the formula for determination of the Section 5310 Apportionment to the Youngstown OH-PA Urbanized Area.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY AGREED by the Western Reserve Transit Authority, the Trumbull County Transit Board and the City of Sharon, in concurrence with Eastgate and MCOGC that the FFY 2014 FTA Section 5310 Program Funds shall be disbursed in accordance with this letter of agreement.

Final 7-10-14

Agreed by the Western Reserve Transit Authority, the Trumbull County Transit Board and the City of Sharon (on behalf of the Shenango Valley Shuttle Service) on this _____ day of _____ 2014.

WESTERN RESERVE TRANSIT AUTHORITY

Authorizing Official

Attest: _____

TRUMBULL COUNTY TRANSIT BOARD

Authorizing Official

Attest: _____

CITY OF SHARON, PA

Authorizing Official

Attest: _____