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To All Interested Parties:

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The 2019 Florida Legislature created the Multi-Use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) program, which provided additional funding to the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund to administer the Innovation and Service Development Grant program.

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The legislation (s. 338.2278(8)(e), F.S.) directs the Commission to award this funding through competitive grants to CTCs and/or TNCs for the purposes of providing cost-effective, door-to-door, on-demand and scheduled transportation services that meet the following objectives:

1. Increase a transportation disadvantaged person's access to and departure from job training, employment, health care, and other life-sustaining services;
2. Enhance regional connectivity and cross-county mobility; or,
3. Reduce the difficulty in connecting transportation disadvantaged persons to a transportation hub and from the hub to their final destination.

The Commission is seeking additional proposals for projects that will test new and innovative ideas in service design to enhance an eligible rider's mobility within their community. Proposed projects should not include services that are already being provided utilizing the Trip & Equipment Grant funds or to supplement existing operational cost.

Attached are the Program Manual and Application forms. It is imperative that you read the entire manual and instructions as it contains important guidance, timelines, and requirements for submitting questions as well as project applications.

Project applications are due September 21, 2020.

Stay safe and looking forward to hearing from all of you.