# ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ATAP)

## PROGRAM APPLICATION AND SERVICE PLAN





ATAP is administered through Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations









### **Criteria for Provincial Funding**



Departments or Agencies Participating in the Accessible Transportation Assistance Program

> Transportation and Public Works

Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations

Seniors Citizens' Secretariat

Health

**Community Services** 

Disabled Persons Commission

Education

#### Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board

#### Administered by

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#### Objective

The purpose of the Accessible Transportation Assistance Program (ATAP) is the enhancement of existing inclusive transportation services through the purchase of an accessible vehicle or modification of an existing vehicle.

#### Eligibility

Funding is available to communities, organizations or groups involved in the delivery of any community accessible transportation service, including the private sector.

#### Funding

Funding of \$100,000 per fiscal year (April to March) will be available.

Funding of up to **\$20,000** towards the purchase of a 'new' accessible vehicle or **\$10,000** for a 'used' will be available (subject to Terms and Conditions).

#### **Proposal Submission**

Proposals for ATAP are welcome from communities, organizations or groups involved in the delivery of any community transportation service, including the private sector.

Each application must be accompanied by a completed 'Service Plan' which details the existing service and how the acquisition of new accessible vehicles will enhance inclusive services for the community.

Each project must have a sponsoring organization or community for the purpose of receiving and dispersing funds.

Terms and Conditions (refer to Attachment)

The program has a limited budget and the Applicant will be subject to a regional distribution of these funds.

All vehicles funded under the ATAP must meet the current D409-92 standard for vehicle safety, adopted by the Province.

Inquire with Program Administrator about Budget availability before submitting completed application.

#### A. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Company or Organization Name (The Applicant)

2.	Name of Contact Person		3.	Title
4.	Telephone Number ( )	Ext.	5.	Facsimile No. ( )
6.	Company or Organizatior	n Mailing Addres	SS	
7.	Company or Organizatior	n Operating Add	lress (if differ	ent from mailing address)
3.				ization (size of fleet, area(s) and persons with disabilities.
9.	Will the vehicle be made	available to the	community?	Yes 🖬 No 🗖

#### B. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- 11. Is the 'Service Plan', which outlines the delivery of accessible service YES NO to the community at large, attached?
- 12. If applicable, please state the Utility and Review Board license(s) or the municipal taxi license(s) for the transportation service.

#### C. TYPE OF VEHICLE(S) BEING SOUGHT

Number of Vehicles	Lighting
Vehicle (make/model)	Lift/Ramp (make model)
Vehicle Year	Marking/Signage
Number of Passengers	Hand Rails
Number of Wheelchairs	Grab Rails
Number of KM	Meets D409-92 standard
Current owner of vehicle	Other

#### D. CAPITAL COSTS

- 13. Capital cost of vehicle(s) : \$\_\_\_\_\_
- 14. Specify expected amount of CAPITAL FUNDING by source(s). Attach <u>supporting financial</u> <u>statements</u> and <u>vehicle quotation</u>.

Funding Source Name	Funded by Source(s) \$	Funding Confirmed	
		YES	NO
Provincial Government (up to \$20,000)			
Municipal Government			
Donations/Fundraising			
Other (specify)			
Own Contribution			
Total (as per #13)			

#### A. SERVICE OBJECTIVE (describe the purpose of the accessible service)

#### B. SERVICE DESCRIPTION

Service Area	
Name of Communities or locations (special homes, etc.) served	
Total population	
Number of Seniors (specify actual)	
Number of Persons with Disabilities (excluding seniors)	
Hours of Operation	

#### C. TYPE OF SERVICE

- □ Fixed Route
- □ Door-to-Door
- □ Scheduled
- $\Box$  On Demand
- □ Volunteer

#### Combination (specify)\_\_\_\_\_

- 1. Vehicle Acquisition Will:
  - □ Provide New Service(s)
  - □ Replace Existing Vehicle(s)
  - □ Supplement Existing Service(s)

2.	Drivers/Operators/Staff Employees-who will drive the vehicle?		
3.	Will attendants be provided? Will staff be salaried or volunteer?		
4.			
5.	Do you currently have training or awareness programs for staff? Yes $\ \square$ No $\ \square$		
6.	if "No", do you plan to develop such programs? Yes $\Box$ No $\Box$		
7.	Passenger fares (describe the fare levels for passengers, attendants, etc.)		
8.	How are trips booked? What is the advanced time required to book a trip?		
9.	Where demand exceeds capacity, service will provide?:		
	First come, first serve D Priority System (who gets priority, how, and why):		
10.	Are there other services or accessible vehicles in the area? (If yes, list the services)		
11.	Do you plan to coordinate these services or utilize these vehicles?, (If so, how?)		

#### D. CLIENT DESCRIPTION

12. Client eligibility- who is eligible to use the proposed service? How will it be determined (criteria used)?

#### 13. Eligible users (indicate priority)

USERS	PRIORITY
Persons with Disabilities	
Seniors	
Disadvantaged (Low income)	
General Population	
Only members of a specific residence or group (specify)	
Other (specify)	

#### E. OPERATING COSTS AND OPERATING REVENUE SOURCES

#### 14. Estimate the annual operating cost for the accessible service

Salaries (Drivers)	
F/T Benefits (Drivers)	
Cost of License	
Variable Insurance (vehicles)	
Total Vehicle Repairs & Maintenance/annum	
Fuel	
Communications Equipment	
Total Capital Cost Replacement (Or Capital Lease/Depreciation)	
Promotion/Advertising	
Other (please specify)	
Total Annual Cost (\$)	

15. Estimate the operating revenue sources for the accessible service.

Passenger Fares	
Municipal Contributions	
Charter	
Contractual	
Donations/Fundraising	
Other (please specify)	
Total Annual Revenue	

#### F. PROMOTION AND PUBLIC INFORMATION

Outline the plans to promote the accessible service. Describe how persons with disabilities will be informed of your accessible service

#### G. COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Outline the general level of commitment of your community to the proposed service. Include letters of support from your community.

#### H. DECLARATION

The above information is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations the authority to verify any and all information pertaining to this application.

Signing Authority for Applicant

Date