

**DEPARTMENT OF FOR-HIRE VEHICLES (DFHV)
NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)
FY23 EDUCATION FIRST – TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

The Government of the District of Columbia, DC’s Child and Family Services Agency (“CFSA”) in partnership with the Department of For-Hire Vehicles (“DFHV”), is soliciting applications from all eligible DFHV licensed taxicab companies (“Taxicab Companies”), and transportation network companies (“TNCs”), with current DFHV licensing and Operational Authority to operate and manage the Education First transportation program (“EF-TS”). The Education First program is envisioned to provide a safe and secure ride for children under the legal guardianship of CFSA to and from their educational institutions. Some children may need transportation aides, which shall be determined by the CFSA social worker assigned to the program. DFHV’s RFA (#EF-TS 2022207) is seeking for-hire companies that have previous Education First or youth transportation service experience within the District of Columbia. This announcement is to provide public notice of the Department of For-Hire Vehicle’s intent to make funds available for the purpose described herein. The applicable Request for Applications (“RFA”) will be released under a separate announcement with guidelines for submitting the application, review criteria and DFHV terms and conditions for applying for and receiving funding. Start date for this project is: October 1, 2022 (Fiscal Year 2023).

General Information:

Funding Opportunity Title:	Education First
Funding Opportunity Number:	
Program RFA ID#:	EF-TS 2022207
Opportunity Category:	Competitive
DFHV Administrative Unit:	Performance and Program Team
Agency	Department of For-Hire Vehicles
Program Contact:	Charles Lindsay, Account Manager and Project Lead Charles.Lindsay2@dc.gov 202-320-6918 (cell)
Program Description:	The Government of the District of Columbia, Department of For-Hire Vehicles (“DFHV”) seeks to implement a cost-effective, high-quality transportation service offering designated pick-up location and/or drop-off locations. Routes may be modified depending on customer and school institutional needs, construction, accidents, etc. This program is expected to launch within one to two weeks of award, or as soon as possible after all drivers and transportation aides pass the standard criminal background checks, Child Registry screening as well as obtain any required medical documentation, including a copy of the

	driver's CPR and First Aid certification(s). DFHV will expect the awardee to work through the last several weeks of the FY2022 in preparation of an October 1, 2022 start. DFHV will expect the Awardee to ensure transportation services are maintained throughout FY23 without interruption (October 1, 2022, thru September 30, 2023).
Eligible Applicants	Any entity with a DFHV Operating Authority license may apply for this opportunity, i.e., DTS (Digital Taxicab Solutions) companies and DDS (Digital Dispatch Service) companies as well as DTS and DDS collaborations
Anticipated # of Awards:	1
Anticipated Amount Available:	FY23: \$300,000

Funding Authorization

Legislative Authorization	D.C. Official Code § 50-301.20 (b) (1).
Cost Sharing / Match Required?	None
RFA Release Date:	Friday, August 5, 2022
Pre-Application Meeting (Date)	Thursday, August 11, 2022; 1
Pre-Application Meeting (Time)	1 pm to 2:30 pm.
Pre-Application Meeting (Location/Conference Call Access)	<p>Applicants can register for the Pre-Application Conference by clicking on the WebEx link below: https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=m18b11d6731feff78d3959474dcc7d92</p> <p>Join by meeting number Meeting number (access code): 2319 169 5332 Meeting password: 4fbQ6cKTFE6</p> <p>Tap to join from a mobile device (attendees only) +1-202-860-2110,,23191695332## United States Toll (Washington D.C.) +1-650-479-3208,,23191695332## Call-in toll number (US/Canada)</p> <p>Join by phone +1-202-860-2110 United States Toll (Washington D.C.) 1-650-479-3208 Call-in toll number (US/Canada) Global call-in numbers</p>
Application Deadline Date:	Monday, September 12, 2022

Application Deadline Time:	Midnight (12:00 a.m.) PT
Links to Additional Information about this Funding Opportunity	DC Grants Clearinghouse http://opgs.dc.gov/page/opgs-district-grants-clearinghouse . DFHV Grant Funding Website https://dfhv.dc.gov/page/grant-funding

Notes:

1. DFHV reserves the right to issue addenda and/or amendments after the issuance of the NOFA or RFA, or to rescind the NOFA or RFA.
2. Awards are contingent upon the availability of funds.
3. Individuals are not eligible for DFHV grant funding.
4. Contact the program manager assigned to this funding opportunity for additional information.
5. DFHV is in a secured building. Government issued identification must be presented for entrance.
6. COVID-19 and public health safety protocols are mandated for all applicants and awardees when working with the DC Department of For-Hire Vehicles.