

DEPARTMENT OF FOR-HIRE VEHICLES (DFHV)
 NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY (NOFA)
 FY 2022 COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE TRAINING AND INCENTIVE GRANT TO
 SUPPORT SCHOOLCONNECT FOR ECONOMIC AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT OF
 TAXI DRIVERS

The Government of the District of Columbia, Department of For-Hire Vehicles (“DFHV”), is soliciting applications from all eligible DFHV licensed taxicab drivers for an economic and career development incentive program to support drivers in obtaining their commercial driver’s license (“CDL”) to support DFHV’s SchoolConnect program. DFHV seek drivers approximately thirty – forty (30 – 40) CDL drivers to provide SchoolConnect routes by January 3rd, 2022. Taxi drivers must reside in the District of Columbia in order to be eligible to apply. The SchoolConnect program provides transportation to children to and from selected schools in the District of Columbia’s Safe Passage zones in Wards 7 & 8 described in this Notice of Funding Availability (“NOFA”). Eligible entities must have a DFHV operating authority. 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.

General Information:

Funding Opportunity Title:	FY2022 Commercial Driver License Training and Incentive Grant to Support SchoolConnect and Career Development of Taxi Drivers
Funding Opportunity Number:	
Program RFA ID#:	CDL – 2022-1
Opportunity Category:	Competitive
DFHV Administrative Unit:	Performance and Program Team
Agency	Department of For-Hire Vehicles
Program Contact:	Sebastian Duncan, Program Analyst Sebastian.Duncan@dc.gov 202-731-1171 (cell)
Program Description:	The Department of For-Hire Vehicles (“DFHV”) is soliciting applications from all eligible DFHV licensed, taxicab operators who live in Washington, DC, with current DFHV Operational Authority to support DFHV’s SchoolConnect pilot throughout Fiscal Year 2022 (“FY22”). DFHV is seeking to implement a taxi driver’s economic and career development incentive program to

	support drivers in obtaining their commercial driver's license ("CDL"). DFHV envisions the need of approximately thirty to forty (30 - 40) CDL drivers to provide SchoolConnect routes by January 3rd, 2022. Taxi drivers must reside in the District of Columbia in order to be eligible to apply. The SchoolConnect program provides transportation to children to and from selected schools in the District of Columbia's Safe Passage zones in Wards 7 and 8.
Eligible Applicants	Eligible entities must have a DFHV operating authority and reside in the District of Columbia.
Anticipated # of Awards:	30 - 40
Anticipated Amount Available:	FY22: \$80,000

Funding Authorization

Legislative Authorization	D.C. Official Code § 50-301.20 (b) (1).
Cost Sharing / Match Required?	No
RFA Release Date:	Thursday, November, 4, 2021
Pre-Application Meeting (Date)	Friday, November, 12, 2021
Pre-Application Meeting (Time)	2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Pre-Application Meeting (Location/Conference Call Access)	<p>FY 2022 Commercial Driver License Training and Incentive Grant to Support SchoolConnect for Economic and Career Development of Taxi Drivers To Join by Computer or Smart Phone: https://dcnet.webex.com/dcnet/j.php?MTID=m88765704c080ade6cc129e3ff7ce51aa Meeting number: 2305 887 7479 Password: y767pF3pkiu</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Join by phone +1-202-860-2110 United States Toll (Washington D.C.) Access code: 230 588 77479</p>
Application Deadline Date:	November 19, 2021 And Open to Until Closed.

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.