

ADA Public Hearing

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**Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission
6100 Southport Road Portage, Indiana 46368 (219) 763-6060**

What is NIRPC?

- Creation of the Federal Government to coordinate use of highway and public transit funding
- Designated as a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) by Governor (Defines responsibilities for planning and programming of transportation funds)
- Designated as a Council of Governments by state law (limits members to elected officials only)
- Same state law added duties to include environmental and economic development planning.

WHO IS NIRPC

- Every City and Town in Lake, Porter and La Porte Counties has one appointment
- Every County Council and Board of Commissioners has one appointment
- All 3 County Surveyors have an appointment
- The Porter County Townships of Union and Porter each have an appointment
- The Governor has one appointment
- The Transit Operators have one appointment

HOW ARE DECISIONS MADE AT NIRPC?

- Citizen Working Groups and Task Forces are formed to make recommendations to the Commission's Policy Committees
- Standing Policy Committees are Transportation, Environmental Planning, and Economic Development
- Standing Policy Committees make final recommendations to NIRPC Board of Commissioners

HOW PUBLIC BUS AND DEMAND RESPONSE TRANSIT ARE FUNDED IN NORTHWEST INDIANA

- **Federal Support from Federal Transit Administration (FTA Section 5307 Funds)**
- **State Support (Line item in budget, previously Public Mass Transit Fund from sales tax)**
- **Local Support from fares, municipal property taxes, other federal programs, county economic development income tax, county budgets (property taxes)**

OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS 2013

Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ)

North Township

\$640,000

GPTC

\$1,424,602

Valparaiso Dash

\$260,000

Section 5337 State of Good Repair

NICTD

\$12,377,938

OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS (Page 2)

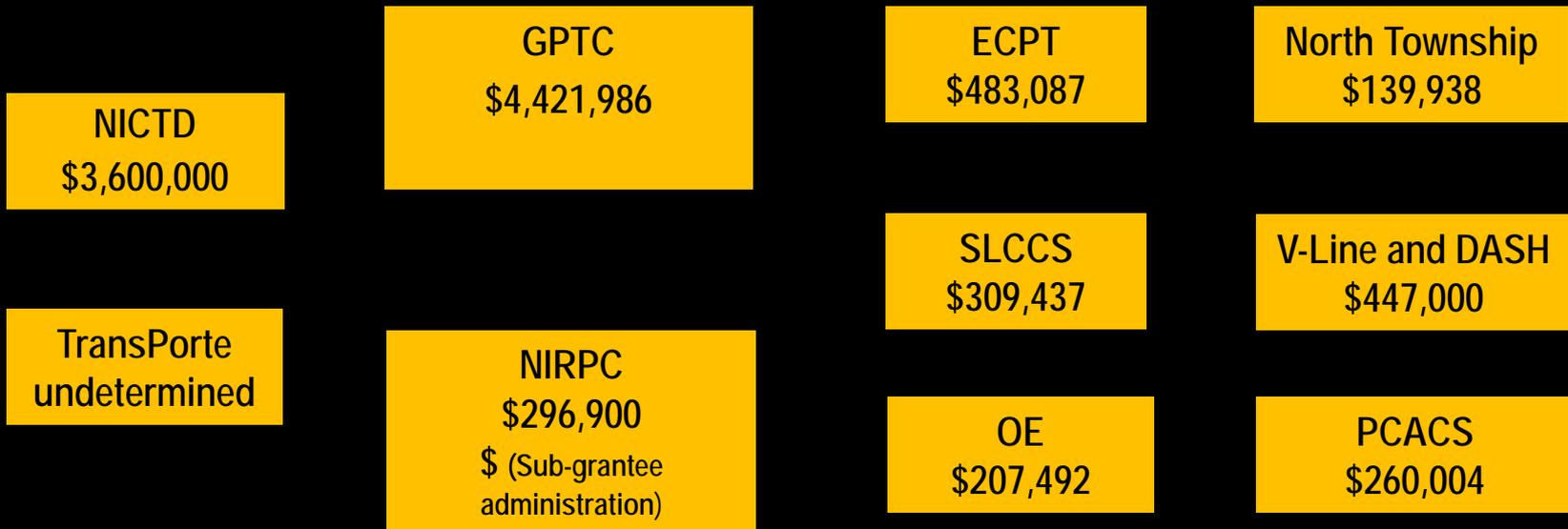
2013

New Freedom

SLCCS
\$120,000

PCACS
\$85,000

WHO GETS THE FEDERAL PUBLIC TRANSIT FUNDS (FTA Section 5307) (2013)

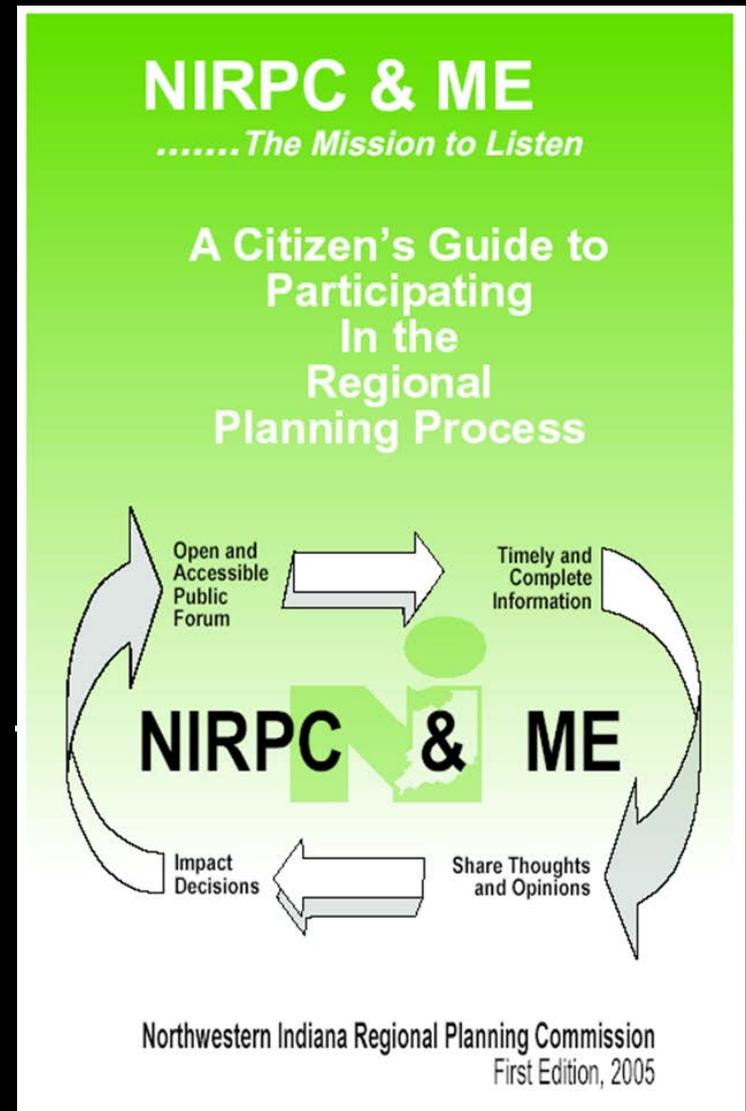


WHO ARE NIRPC'S SUB-GRANTEES?

- East Chicago Public Transit
- North Township Dial-A-Ride
- South Lake County Community Services
- Opportunity Enterprises
- Porter County Aging and Community Services
- Valparaiso V-Line and DASH
- La Porte TransPorte

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

- Sign up to receive direct notice of meetings and activities
- Attend meetings, volunteer for a task force or working group
- Express your opinions and share ideas
NIRPC is on Facebook and Twitter!!
- Encourage attendance and community participation by sharing rides
- Contact us anytime at nirpc@nirpc.org



Thank You

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