

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
Transportation Strategic Planning Consultant
Questions and Answers

Date: Thursday, April 24, 2008

From: Allegany County Transportation Task Force

The following questions were submitted as part of the RFP process:

1. What is the budget?

The Budget is up to \$50K. Please remember that other factors are weighed when considering the award besides the bid amount.

2. What information has already been collected (inventory of service providers, analysis of duplication)?

The Allegany County Transportation Task Force has conducted both primary and secondary research, gathering both quantitative and qualitative data that will be utilized by the consultant, including:

1. SWOT Analysis of the current county transportation system.
2. Concept mapping exercise to identify priorities.
3. Provider Survey with the “Big 3” providers:
 - Allegany Arc
 - Allegany County Department of Social Services
 - Allegany County Transitand the Allegany County Office for the Aging
4. Transportation Services Survey including: (1) Organizational Needs, and (2) Service Provision (where applicable) with health providers, human service providers, businesses, governmental organizations, and educational institutions.
 - Inventory of transportation providers
 - Inventory of volunteer transportation providers
 - Vehicle Fleet Status
6. Current Public Transit User Survey
7. Focus Groups with User/Non-Users
8. Allegany County Demographic Profile including: socio-economic levels; population; education status; employment levels; vehicles

The Allegany County Task Force will continue to work with the Consultant to explain the work completed and to do additional work should the consultant feel that it would be the most cost effective means for the County.