

CTD Trip & Equipment Grant Allocation Formula

The Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged (CTD) administers the Transportation Disadvantaged Trust Fund (TDTF), which is used to purchase trips for individuals with disabilities, persons of low income, older adults and at-risk children to access critical life activities within their community. Majority of TDTF dollars are disbursed through the Trip & Equipment (T&E) Grant program.

On October 28, 2020, CTD approved rule changes to implement a new funding formula within the T&E Grant program (Rule 41-2.014(5), F.A.C.). The new formula took effect July 1, 2021.

Summary of T&E Grant Funding Methodology

Each year, the Florida Legislature appropriates funding to the CTD Grant programs for the state fiscal year (July 1 through June 30). The CTD then allocates T&E Grant funding to each of the counties based on the following four variables:

1. **TD Eligible Population** – 5% of the funding is allocated based on a county’s estimated TD eligible population (individuals living with a disability, persons living below poverty, and adults who are 65 or older), as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.
2. **Centerline Miles of Public Roads** – 5% of the funding is allocated based on a county’s total miles of public roads, as reported by the Federal Highway Administration.
3. **T&E Grant Funded Services (Paratransit Trips, Miles, and Bus Passes)** – 30% of the funding is allocated based on a county’s performance in delivering TD “non-sponsored” services reimbursed under the T&E Grant, as reported on monthly invoices submitted by the county’s Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC).
4. **Base Funding** – 60% of the funding is based on a percentage of a county’s total allocated amount under the T&E Grant from the previous fiscal year. This ensures a certain level of stability in funding year-to-year.