

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Northeast Iowa Community Action Corporation (NEICAC) in the Conference Room at 305 Montgomery, Decorah, Iowa, at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, April 21, 2025.

The purpose of this hearing is to discuss NEICAC's applications to the Iowa Department of Transportation for financial assistance for the Fiscal Year 2026, as follows:

- NEICAC will request state transit assistance and federal transit assistance to support operations, amounting to approximately \$433,113 and \$657,493, respectively.
- NEICAC will request approval to increase the general fare box rate by \$0.50 per trip for In-town, \$0.25 per mile for Rural rides. In-County rides will increase \$1.00
- NEICAC will request federal transit assistance for capital equipment purchases. If approved, these funds will be matched with local dollars for bus replacements on an 85% federal / 15% local basis, determined by the specific procurement. The request includes:
 - Two (2) LD ADA Buses – 138" Wheelbase (Replacements)
 - Federal Share: \$263,670
 - Local Share: \$39,550

These projects will not have a significant environmental impact, and no people or businesses will be displaced. The projects comply with the Statewide Transit Improvement Program.

Public Participation

Any interested person or agency is invited to attend this hearing and speak for or against the funding application. Written comments will be accepted at 305 Montgomery, Decorah, IA 52101, through the date and time of the hearing.

For additional information, contact Ken Wohlford, Transportation Director, at (563) 387-4928 during business hours.

Accessibility

All NEICAC public hearings are open to individuals regardless of disability. Any person requiring reasonable accommodation to participate in this public hearing should contact the NEICAC office at (563) 382-8436 at least two days prior to the hearing.