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ABOUT EASTER SEALS PROJECT ACTION

Easter Seals Project ACTION (ESPA) is funded under a cooperative agreement with the Federal Transit Administration. This initiative promotes universal access to transportation for people with disabilities under federal law and beyond by partnering with transportation providers, the disability community, and others through the provision of training, technical assistance, applied research, outreach and communication. In its over twenty-one year history, ESPA has reached thousands of people and organizations with its free training, useful materials and technical assistance. ESPA's activities are coordinated with the other major partners and cooperative agreement recipients of the FTA including the Transportation Research Board, the National Transit Institute, the Community Transportation Association of America's National Resource Center and the American Public Transportation Association. ESPA is hosted within Easter Seals, an almost 100- year old national non-profit organization that provides exceptional services, education, outreach, and advocacy for people with disabilities and their families so that people living with disabilities can live, learn, work, and play in our communities.

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