



National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

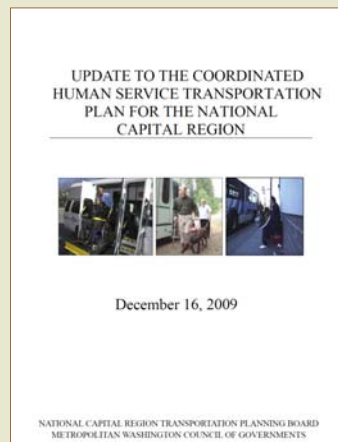
Approval of Project Recommendations For Funding Under Job Access Reverse Commute and New Freedom Programs

Item 8
June 16,
2010



Background

- **TPB Designated Recipient in 2006**
 - JARC
 - New Freedom
- **Project Selection/ Administration by TPB**
 - Evaluation criteria
 - Selection committee
 - Ongoing funding and administration





Projects Funded to Date

- **JARC**
 - 11 projects
 - \$1.7 million in Federal funds
 - \$3 million total
- **New Freedom**
 - 13 projects
 - \$2 million in Federal funds
 - \$3.4 million total
- **One jointly-funded project (WMATA)**
 - \$987,000 in Federal funds
 - \$1.2 million total
- 47% nonprofit recipients; 23% local government agency; 18% transit operator and 12% private provider

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2010 Solicitation Details

- **Solicitation Details**
 - February 2 through April 16
 - Funding amounts
 - JARC: \$2.3 million
 - New Freedom: \$1.3 million
 - Local match required (20% capital; 50% operating)
- **Outreach**
 - 1,800 organizations received brochure
 - Four pre-application conferences
 - 1 in MD, 1 in VA, 2 in DC

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Solicitation Priorities

- **Five priorities encouraged**
 - Transportation vouchers
 - Travel training
 - Volunteer driver program
 - Same day service
 - Sensitivity/customer service training


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Solicitation Outcomes

- 11 applications received
 - 1 in DC
 - 1 regional
 - 5 in Suburban MD
 - 4 in Northern VA
- 5 included vouchers, which are a priority project


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Selection Process

- **Selection Committee**
 - Chaired by Muriel Bowser
 - 2 meetings
 - April 29 and May 27
 - 5 members from national and local agencies
 - Disability issues
 - Workforce Development
 - Transit
 - Private Provider
- **Funding recommendations**
 - TPB officers asked to concur with projects being presented today

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Recommended JARC Projects

a. Northern Virginia Family Service

- Partnering with Vehicles for Change
- Will provide 168 vehicles to working families
- Operates throughout Northern Virginia

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$568,479
Required Match	\$248,943
Total Project	\$817,422

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Recommended JARC Projects

b. Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind

- Taxi voucher project
- Assists visually-impaired employees in getting to jobs

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$100,005
Required Match	\$100,005
Total Project	\$200,010

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Recommended JARC Projects

c. Boat People SOS Employment Support Project

- Employment preparation for Vietnamese immigrants and refugees
- Includes taxi vouchers for job access after placement

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$224,704
Required Match	\$102,784
Total Project	\$327,488

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Recommended JARC Projects

d. Skill Source Group

- Taxi voucher project
- Operates throughout Northern Virginia

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$114,000
Required Match	\$114,000
Total Project	\$228,000

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Recommended JARC Projects

e. Prince George's County Department of Public Works & Transportation

- Early morning shuttle service from Southern Avenue Metro to National Harbor

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$111,350
Required Match	\$111,350
Total Project	\$222,700

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Recommended JARC Projects

f. Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

- Ongoing maintenance for clearinghouse project

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$ 80,000
Required Match	\$ 20,000
Total Project	\$100,000

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Recommended New Freedom Projects

a. Prince William County Area Agency on Aging

- Taxi voucher project
- Transportation to medical and other appointments

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$30,000
Required Match	\$30,000
Total Project	\$60,000

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Recommended New Freedom Projects

b. Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind

- Specialized door-to-door transportation for children/teen programs

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$ 76,500
Required Match	\$ 76,500
Total Project	\$153,000

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Recommended New Freedom Projects

c. Prince George's County Department of Public Works & Transportation

- Demonstration project to install voice annunciation system
- Survey of riders to determine usefulness in improving accessibility for visually impaired

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$236,800
Required Match	\$ 59,200
Total Project	\$296,000

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Recommended New Freedom Projects

d. D.C. Office on Aging

- Two vehicles to serve new senior wellness centers
- Taxi voucher component

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$142,200
Required Match	\$ 81,600
Total Project	\$223,800

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Status of Funds

• If projects are approved

Program	Funds
JARC	<p>\$1.4 Million Obligated</p> <p>\$943,773 Reserved for 2011 Solicitation</p>
New Freedom	<p>\$528,500 Obligated</p> <p>\$840,713 Reserved for 2011 Solicitation</p>

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Next Steps

- **2011 Solicitation**
 - Same timeframe as this year
 - FY10 apportionment under SAFETEA-LU
 - \$2.5 million in JARC funding
 - \$1.9 million in New Freedom funding
 - Priority projects
- **Initiate project evaluation**