



National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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

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2009





Background

- **Designated Recipient of FTA Programs**
 - JARC
 - New Freedom
- **New Role for TPB**
 - Ability to fund projects

COORDINATED HUMAN SERVICES
TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR THE
NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

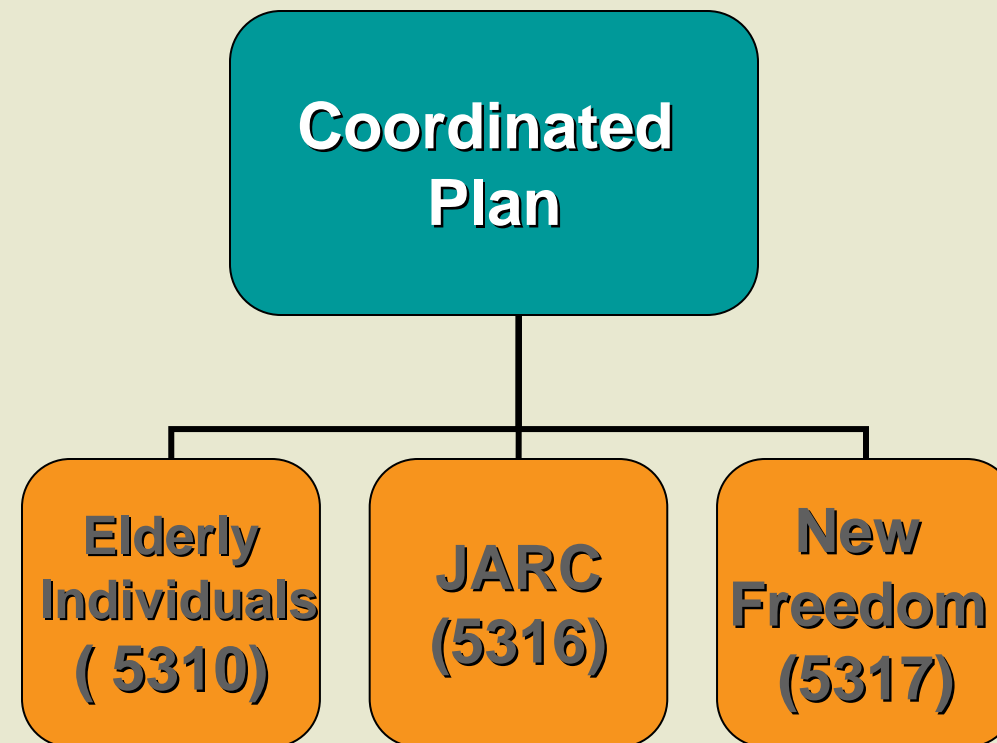


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Background: SAFETEA-LU Requirements

- A **"locally developed coordinated plan"** drafted with stakeholder involvement
- Projects must be **derived from the plan**
- JARC and New Freedom projects must be **competitively selected**





Human Service Transportation Coordination Task Force

- **Created by TPB in July 2006**
 - Approved structure and membership
 - Includes representation from all TPB member jurisdictions
 - Chaired by TPB Member Elected Official
- **45 Members Represent:**
 - Public transit agencies
 - Departments of Transportation
 - Private and nonprofit transportation providers
 - Human service agencies
 - Users/Consumers



Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan

- Developed by Task Force
- Elements
 - Unmet needs
 - Inventory of services
 - Strategies
 - Priority projects
- **Selection criteria**
 - Responsiveness to strategies
 - Coordination
 - Innovation
 - Regional need
 - Private-sector partners
 - Number of people served
 - Ongoing funding
 - Feasibility

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Projects Funded in 2007 and 2008 Solicitations

- **JARC Projects**
 - Seven projects
 - Over \$1.8 million in projects
- **New Freedom Projects**
 - Nine projects
 - Over \$2.3 million in projects



Funding Available for 2009 Solicitation

Program	Purpose	2009 Solicitation Funding	Total Funding with Match
Job Access Reverse Commute	Assist low-income commuters getting to job sites	\$2.34 Million	\$4.68 Million Operating (50/50) \$2.9 Million Capital (80/20)
New Freedom	Transportation for people with disabilities that goes above and beyond the ADA	\$1.13 Million	\$2.26 Million Operating (50/50) \$1.4 Million Capital (80/20)



Selection Committee and Selection Process

- **Committee**

- 5 members from national and local organizations
 - Disability
 - Workforce Development
 - Transit
 - Private Provider

- **Process**

- Review and score applications
- 2 meetings held
- Written questions to applicants
- Considered project's scalability
- Recommendations based on priority projects



Recommended JARC Projects

a. Northern Virginia Family Service Ways to Work Program

- Addition of car repair loan program
- Operates throughout Northern Virginia

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$ 75,000
Required Match	\$ 75,000
Total Project	\$150,000



Recommended JARC Projects

b. Family Matters of Greater Washington

- Start-up and implementation of car loan program
- Serves Southeast D.C. and Prince George's County

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$368,535
Required Match	\$305,175
Total Project	\$673,710



Recommended JARC Projects

c. Doorways for Women and Families

- Taxi voucher program for job training and searches
- Operates throughout Northern Virginia

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$41,915
Required Match	\$41,915
Total Project	\$83,830



Recommended JARC Projects

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

- Continuation of employment shuttle
- Operates between Greenbelt Metro station and UPS facility in Laurel, Maryland
- UPS pays the \$2 per trip fare for employees

Recommended Funding	
JARC Funds	\$211,949
Required Match	\$211,949
Total Project	\$423,838



Recommended New Freedom Projects

a. Prince William County Area Agency on Aging

- Development of a mobility management plan for seniors with disabilities
- Includes early implementation efforts

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$200,000
Required Match	\$ 50,000
Total Project	\$250,000



Recommended New Freedom Projects

b. Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind

- Classroom, group and individualized travel training
- Residents of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$259,000
Required Match	\$ 64,750
Total Project	\$323,750



Recommended New Freedom Projects

c. Boat People SOS

- Travel training for Vietnamese individuals with disabilities
- Operating in Northern Virginia

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$165,848
Required Match	\$ 41,462
Total Project	\$207,310



Recommended New Freedom Projects

d. D.C. Office on Aging

- Marketing campaign to promote Aging and Disability Resource Center
- Provides information on available transportation resources

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$16,500
Required Match	\$16,500
Total Project	\$33,000



Recommended New Freedom Projects

e. Melwood Horticultural Training Center

- Implementation of GIS-based route optimization
- Transportation to worksites in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties

Recommended Funding	
New Freedom Funds	\$135,600
Required Match	\$131,400
Total Project	\$267,000



Recommended Joint JARC and New Freedom Projects

f. WMATA Individualized Travel Training

- Partner with local Centers for Independent Living
 - Independence Now in Prince George's/Montgomery
 - ENDependence Center of Northern Virginia
 - DC Center for Independent Living
- Fare cards provided after training completion

Recommended Funding	
JARC and New Freedom Funds	\$ 987,572
Required Match	\$ 246,893
Total Project	\$1,234,466



Status of Funds

- **If projects are approved**

Program	Funds
JARC	\$1.4 Million Obligated \$922,193 Reserved for 2010 Solicitation
New Freedom	\$924,050 Obligated \$211,499 Reserved for 2010 Solicitation