

TOP OF ALABAMA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Call for Projects for Transit Services

January 10, 2011

Project proposals are now being accepted for funding consideration through the Job Access Reverse Commute Program (Section 5316) and New Freedom Program (Section 5317). These Federal Transit Administration programs provide funding for transit related services that assist targeted population groups. This Call for Projects extends to any transit provider within the Huntsville Metropolitan Planning Organization Study Area, including all of Madison County and the eastern portion of Limestone County. The following organizations are eligible to submit a proposal:

1. Private nonprofit organizations;
2. State or local governmental authority; and
3. Operators of public transportation services, including private operators of public transportation services.

Available funds for each program are expected to total \$238,861 for JARC projects (for FY09 and FY10, respectively \$122,110 and \$116,751) and \$138,123 for New Freedom projects (for FY09 and FY10, respectively \$69,708 and \$68,415). A 50% match requirement for operating costs and a 20% match requirement for capital costs exist for both the programs. **The application package, as well as details concerning specific requirements and allowable activities can be found in the Program Management Plan maintained by the Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments.** This document is available on the TARCOG web site at <http://tarcog.org/publications.html> or can be requested by calling 256-716-2485.

The application deadline is 2:00 p.m., Friday, March 4, 2011.

Applications must be received by the Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments by this time to be eligible for funding. *Applications received after March 4, 2011 will not be considered for funding for the current cycle but may be eligible for future funding.*

Selection Advisory Committee

As part of the selection process for projects funded under the JARC and New Freedom programs, a Selection Advisory Committee comprised of local governments, human service agencies, and transit providers will make recommendations regarding project proposals. If your organization wishes to have a representative on the Selection Advisory Committee, please contact Falguni Patel at 256-716-2485 before Friday, March 4, 2011. Representatives of transit providers who would like to participate must have provided transit services during the previous fiscal year. Participation on the Advisory Committee is not a prerequisite to an application being funded.

Completed applications or questions regarding applications should be directed to:

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