



HAMPTON ROADS AREA  
PUBLIC TRANSIT –  
HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION  
COORDINATED PLAN

APRIL 2008

## SAFETEA-LU

“projects selected (must be) derived from a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan.”

- Section 5310 – Formula grants for special needs of elderly individuals & individuals with disabilities
- Section 5316 -- Job Access and Reverse Commute formula grants (JARC)
- Section 5317 – New Freedom program (new and beyond ADA)

## Designated Recipients:

- HRT for Virginia Beach UZA JARC & New Freedom
- State (DRPT) for non-urbanized areas & 5310

The Coordinated Plan must include:

- an assessment of existing services, providers, and users
- an assessment of current gaps and needs, as well as areas of duplication
- strategies and/or activities to address gaps and achieve efficiencies; *and*
- relative priorities for implementation

## Funding Available – Virginia Beach UZA

	<b>JARC</b>	<b>New Freedom</b>	<b>Total</b>
FY 2006	\$555,706	\$320,054	\$875,760
FY 2007	\$585,773	\$337,279	\$923,052
FY 2008	\$634,588	\$364,345	\$988,933
3-Year Total	\$1,776,067	\$1,021,678	\$2,787,745
FY 2009 est.	\$672,663	\$386,206	\$1,058,869
SAFETEA-LU Total	\$2,448,730	\$1,407,884	\$3,846,614

## Extensive Stakeholder Outreach & Public Involvement

Mailing List - over 150 invited

Survey Responses: 39 Agencies & Organizations

- 14 public
- 18 private non-profit
- 7 private providers

3 rounds of Regional meetings (3 sites each)

Newspaper ads for public comment

Dedicated phone-line, email & website

**Key strategies** identified for Hampton Roads include:

- Emphasize capital projects, pending Reauthorization
- Improve interagency and inter-jurisdictional travel and services
- Make use of existing resources, including volunteers
- Improve both information and infrastructure
- Improve reciprocal agreements and ordinances for use of accessible taxicabs
- Focus on shared rides
- Encourage sharing by 5310 recipients

**Types of projects** identified as implementation priorities include:

- Mobility management (including expanded information and referral, and coordinated call center(s))
- Improve ADA paratransit programs through technology, including GPS/MDTs, etc.
- Travel training
- Employee/client shuttles (C-Van in Richmond identified as a possible model) and employment support service
- Other infrastructure (e.g., curb ramps, talking signs)
- Voucher programs to provide trip alternatives
- Increases in shared rides



# **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

*(based on DRPT Statewide process & Stakeholder discussion)*

- Project Needs/Goals and Objectives (25%)
- Implementation Plan (20%)
- Ability of Applicant/Sustainability of Project (30%)
- Coordination Efforts (25%)

## Schedule

Endorsement/Approval thru April 24, 2008

*then*, Project Applications due May 13th for FY 2006  
funds (must be obligated by Sept 30th)  
-- MPO TIP/PoP June/July

FYs 07-08 Project Applications/Selection Autumn 2008

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