

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

VARIOUS Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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ALL Districts

Texas Transportation Commission (commission) takes special note of its designation by the governor as the administering agency for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant program, "Formula Grants for Special Needs of Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities" (49 U.S.C. §5310), in a letter dated October 4, 2005; and further acknowledges that federal program regulations require the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to ensure that grant funds are distributed fairly and equitably within the state.

The United State Congress has passed a Continuing Appropriation Resolution for a five-month period; the FTA has available funds for this period. Allocations to transit operators are calculated in accordance with the formula in Title 43, Texas Administrative Code §31.31. The distribution of the available FY 2009 allocation, including unobligated funds from previous grants, is shown in Exhibit A. It is possible that there will be increases above the total amount. In these instances, increases will be calculated on a pro rata district level based on the formula in §31.31.

Title 43, Texas Administrative Code, §5.73 establishes the process for which Transportation Development Credits (TDC) may be awarded at the discretion of the commission. The commission passed Minute Order 110771, on December 14, 2006, expressing its intent to award TDC that will promote public transportation capital infrastructure projects: fleet replacement, fleet expansion, maintenance facilities; and capital projects that support regional coordination.

The commission finds that the projects in Exhibit A are eligible for funding and awards a total of \$3,676,433 in federal Formula Grant funds for Special Needs of Elderly Individuals and Individuals with Disabilities and 449,408 in TDC. The projects receiving TDC awards will reduce congestion by improving reliable transit options thereby increasing levels of ridership; expand economic opportunity by increasing the level of service access for the transit dependent populations to jobs and other necessary activities; enhance safety by reducing mechanical breakdowns; improve air quality by reducing emissions with technological advances in the bus industry; and increase the value of the transportation assets by investing in the replacement of depreciated rolling stock thus yielding savings and efficiencies which can be reinvested into additional trips.

Transportation Code, Chapter 455 assigns a broad spectrum of public transportation roles and missions to the department. Transportation Code, Chapter 456 authorizes the commission to administer funds appropriated for public transportation.

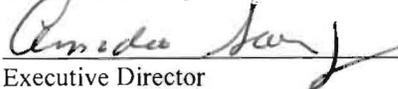
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the executive director or the director's designee is directed to proceed with the available FY 2009 §5310 FTA allocation for the program as described in Exhibit A, submit the necessary state application to FTA, enter into the necessary contracts for the FY 2009 program of projects.

Submitted and reviewed by:



Director, Public Transportation Division

Recommended by:



Executive Director

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EXHIBIT A
FEDERAL §5310
FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROGRAM of PROJECTS

Transit Operators	Total	TDC
Abilene		
Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc.	\$2,422	
Central Texas Rural Transit District	20,500	3,400
City of Abilene	28,964	4,839
South Plains Community Action Association	2,000	
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	20,500	3,400
	\$74,386	11,639
Amarillo		
Panhandle Community Services	\$84,464	14,358
	\$84,464	14,358
Atlanta		
Ark-Texas Council of Governments	\$44,419	
East Texas Council of Governments	44,418	
	\$88,837	0
Austin		
Austin Groups for the Elderly (AGE)	\$24,641	
Austin Travis County MHMR	10,000	
Bluebonnet Trails Community MHMR Center	32,000	
Capital Area Rural Transportation System	83,910	10,382
Faith In Action Caregivers, Inc.	18,000	
Hill Country Transit District	8,000	
Mary Lee Foundation	6,000	
	\$182,551	10,382
Beaumont		
East Texas Support Services, Inc.	\$36,138	
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission	86,146	
	\$122,284	0
Brownwood		
Central Texas Rural Transit District	\$29,605	4,863
Hill Country Transit District	29,604	4,863
	\$59,209	9,726
Bryan		
Brazos Transit District	\$81,374	11,900
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Childress		
Caprock Community Action Association	\$1,800	
Rolling Plains Management Corporation	42,566	
	\$44,366	0

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Corpus Christi		
Bee Community Action Association	\$57,000	11,400
Kleberg County Human Services	30,000	2,300
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	31,046	2,209
	\$118,046	15,909
Dallas		
Collin County Committee On Aging	\$133,465	22,100
Community Service, Inc.	120,000	20,400
Dallas County DHHS	60,000	10,200
Kaufman Area Rural Transportation	60,000	10,200
SPAN, Inc.	65,000	11,050
	\$438,465	73,950
El Paso		
LULAC Project Amistad	\$132,147	22,465
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Fort Worth		
American Red Cross	\$5,335	
Central Texas Rural Transit District	10,000	
City of Cleburne	20,000	
Fort Worth Transportation Authority/The T	125,000	25,000
Public Transit Services	80,000	12,000
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	10,000	
The Transit System, Inc.	12,500	
	\$262,835	37,000
Houston		
Fort Bend County	\$160,000	32,000
Gulf Coast Center	135,887	27,177
Harris County Transportation	160,000	32,000
Montgomery County Committee On Aging D/B/A	144,000	28,800
The Friendship Center		
	\$599,887	119,977
Laredo		
Border Area Nutrition Council, Inc.	\$7,665	
City of Del Rio	30,771	
Duval County	12,260	
Webb County Community Action Council	30,771	
	\$81,467	0

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Lubbock		
Caprock Community Action Association	\$23,000	
City of Lubbock/CITIBUS	24,991	
Panhandle Community Services	5,000	
South Plains Community Action Association	40,950	2,250
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	2,220	
	\$96,161	2,250
Lufkin		
Brazos Transit District	\$85,555	11,900
	\$85,555	11,900
Odessa		
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	\$78,971	0
	\$78,971	0
Paris		
Ark-Tex Council of Governments	\$30,982	
East Texas Council of Governments	516	
Senior Center Resources and Public Transit, Inc.	30,982	
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	30,982	
	\$93,462	0
Pharr		
City of Brownsville	\$60,477	10,281
Community Action Council of South Texas	13,992	
Jim Hogg County	14,472	
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council	23,320	
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	13,992	
Starr County	14,958	2,543
Town of South Padre Island	27,984	4,757
Zapata County	13,059	
	\$182,254	17,581
San Angelo		
Concho Valley Transit District	\$60,267	12,053
	\$60,267	12,053
San Antonio		
Presa Community Service Center	\$295,012	56,524
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Tyler		
City of Longview	\$15,000	
City of Tyler	50,671	
East Texas Council of Governments	70,000	11,900
	\$135,671	11,900
Waco		
City of Waco	\$45,000	
Heart of Texas Council of Governments	45,000	
Hill Country Transit District	29,077	3,400
	\$119,077	3,400
Wichita Falls		
Rolling Plains Management Corporation	\$16,700	
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	56,653	
	\$73,353	0
Yoakum		
Affectionate Arms Adult Day Health Care Center	\$7,465	1,494
Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.	3,733	
Friends of Elder Citizens	46,400	
Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission	28,734	5,000
	\$86,332	6,494
Total Programmed	\$3,676,433	449,408