



Job Access & Reverse Commute and New Freedom

**Pre-Application Conference Call
for Miami Urbanized Area**

**South Florida Regional Transportation Authority
Federal Transit Administration
United-We-Ride**

January 28, 2010

Purpose of Teleconference

- Provide an overview of JARC and New Freedom programs
- Explain application process and schedule
- Explain responsibilities of grant recipients
- Provide an opportunity to ask questions!

Schedule

10:00 am – 10:20 am	JARC/NF Program Overview by SFRTA
10:20 am – 10:40 am	JARC/NF Application and Selection Process by SFRTA
10:40 am – 11:30 am	Discussion

Program Goals – Section 5316: Job Access & Reverse Commute (JARC)

- Improve access to employment for low-income individuals and welfare recipients
- Improve access to suburban employment opportunities for residents of urbanized and non-urbanized areas

Program Goals – Section 5317: New Freedom

- Expand transportation mobility options available to persons with disabilities that go beyond Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements

Eligible Applicants

- Private nonprofit organizations
- State or local governmental authorities
- Operators of public transportation services, including private, for-profit operators of public transportation services

Examples of Eligible JARC Projects

- Late-night and weekend service
- Guaranteed ride home service
- Shuttle service
- Expansion of fixed-route public transit routes
- Demand-responsive van service
- Ridesharing and carpooling activities

Examples of Eligible JARC Projects (continued)

- Transit-related aspects of bicycling
- Local car loan programs
- Promotion, through marketing efforts, of transit for low-income workers and workers with nontraditional schedules
- Development of employer-provided transportation

Examples of Eligible JARC Projects (continued)

- Use of transit pass programs and benefits
- Support of administration and expense related to voucher programs
- Acquisition of GIS (Geographic Information System) tools
- Implementation of Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)
- Integration of automated regional public transit and human service transportation information

Examples of Eligible JARC Projects (continued)

- Deployment of vehicle monitoring systems
- Subsidies for costs associated with adding reverse commute transportation
- Subsidies for the purchase or lease by non-profit or public agencies of employment-based transportation
- Facilitating the provision of public transportation services to suburban employment opportunities
- Support of new mobility management and coordination programs

Examples of Eligible New Freedom Projects

- New public transportation services beyond minimum requirements of the ADA
- Enhanced paratransit services beyond minimum requirements of the ADA
- Feeder services
- Accessibility improvements to transit and intermodal stations
- Travel training
- New public transportation alternatives beyond the ADA

Examples of Eligible New Freedom Projects (continued)

- Purchasing vehicles to support new accessible taxi, ride sharing, and/or vanpooling programs
- Supporting administration and expenses related to new voucher programs for transportation services offered by human service providers
- Supporting new volunteer driver and aide programs
- Supporting new mobility management and coordination programs

FY 2008 & 09 Funding for Miami Urbanized Area

Program	FY 2008	FY 2009	Total
JARC	\$3,195,924	\$3,751,178	\$6,947,102
New Freedom	\$1,812,295	\$2,088,998	\$3,901,293
Total	\$5,008,219	\$5,840,176	\$10,848,395

Federal/Local Share

Program	Federal	Local
JARC		
Capital	80%	20%
Operating	50%	50%
New Freedom		
Capital	80%	20%
Operating	50%	50%

Note: Mobility management is treated as capital expense

Overriding strategies to consider during evaluation of projects

- Address gaps in current service provisions for targeted populations
- Make use of available resources and leverage resources to the extent possible
- Coordinate with other federal programs – coordinated services, financial partnership, etc.
- Technical capacity of agency to achieve project goals
- Evidence of a broad coordination effort

Application Process

- Projects evaluated and ranked by SFRTA's Planning Technical Advisory Committee
- SFRTA's Governing Board endorses PTAC's ranking
- Federal Transit Administration (FTA) makes final determination

Application & Project Selection Schedule

- Application Deadline February 19, 2010
- Ranking by Selection Committee March 18, 2010
- SFRTA Board Endorsement of Ranking April 23, 2010
- Public Notice of Ranked Projects May 2010
- FTA Final Determination June – September 2010

Application Submittal

- Signed hard copy and electronic copy (CD)
- Submit application to:
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