



## **JARC (5316) Program of Projects**

Job Access Reverse Commute ((JARC) 5316) provides funding for local programs that offer job access and reverse commute services to provide transportation for low income individuals who may live in the city core and work in suburban locations and the development and maintenance of transportation services designed to transport welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals to and from jobs and activities related to their employment.

The Program of Projects (POP) identifies the sub-recipients and projects for which the designated recipient is applying for financial assistance. This POP was submitted to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for approval of New Freedom projects in the Nashville MPO urbanized area. This POP includes a brief description, total projects costs and Federal share for each project, and the amount of funds required for planning and program administration.

Designated Recipient: **Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority**

5316: FY 2010 Large Urban Apportionment: **\$827,659**; Carryover: n/a

5316: FY 2010 Small Urban Apportionment: **\$ 87,108**; Carryover: n/a

Total Funds Available: **\$914,767**

Total number of subrecipients funded in this Program of Projects: **8**

### **List of Projects**

**Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority**, 130 Nestor Street, Nashville, TN/Davidson County 37210

#### **-Route 10-Charlotte Evening/Weekend Service**

Before MTA received this funding, riders of the #10 route were limited to potential retail jobs and non-traditional work hours residents were limited bus access from home to work and the reverse. Through this service, employees at these retail facilities have more affordable transportation choice and greater independence. Residents along this portion of the corridor will have access to the MTA bus system for jobs access in other areas of the city.

#### **MTA**

	<b><u>Federal</u></b>	<b><u>State</u></b>	<b><u>Local</u></b>	<b><u>Total Cost</u></b>
<b><u>SCOPE</u></b>				
OPERTATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 106,140	\$ 53,070	\$ 53,070	\$ 212,281
CAPITAL				
	<b>Total Cost:</b>			\$ 212,281

#### **-Route 23-Dickerson Road Extension**

The extension of #23 route is in an area that is not served by any MTA bus route. In this area is Skyline Hospital with close to 800 employees and a new Wal-Mart Super Store and shopping

center, under construction, with another potential 400 jobs. A large portion of residents along this corridor are low-income employees who benefit from having a more economical transportation alternative for getting to work by using this service as a connector to other bus routes for employment.

**MTA**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 109,090	\$ 54,545	\$ 54,545	\$ 218,181
CAPITAL				
<b>Total Cost:</b>				\$ 218,181

**-Route 72-Edmondson Pike Connector**

MTA will add a cross-town feeder route that will run on Edmondson Pike at Old Hickory to Nolensville and Harding to the Sheriffs Work Release Center east of I-24. Those being served by the work release center must walk over one mile along a high-speed roadway to access either the Route 15 Murfreesboro Road or Route 12 Nolensville Road. This service will operate primarily during extended peak periods such as from 5:30am to 10:30am and 2:30pm to 7:30pm.

**MTA**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 110,790	\$ 55,395	\$ 55,395	\$ 221,580
CAPITAL				
<b>Total Cost:</b>				\$ 221,580

**Affordable Housing Resources, Inc.(AHI), 1011 Cherry Avenue, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37203**

AHR started and now operates a Ways to Work Program in Nashville. This program provides small low-interest loans to 40-60 low-income families. The loans will finance the purchase of an automobile to be used primarily for transportation to work, school, and childcare facilities. The families who are selected are ones who possess a combination of great need for flexible transportation, and willingness to take the necessary steps to escape the cycle of poverty associated with underemployment and lack of financial literacy.

**AHI**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 61,840	\$ 30,920	\$ 30,920	\$ 123,680
CAPITAL	\$ 20,160	\$ 2,520	\$ 2,520	\$ 25,200
<b>Total Cost:</b>				\$ 148,880

**Aphesis House(AH), 1124 Fourth Avenue South, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37210**

AH provides 31-day bus passes for our residents when they move into our facility. These bus passes make it possible for them to access much needed services as needed. It also allows them to search for jobs, secure jobs and maintain jobs during this period. In addition, we provide transportation for our residents when they are not able to use public transportation. Often we have a crew working events at LP field. When the event is over, they are asked to clean up before leaving. This takes them into the early morning hours and transportation is not available. We often transport residents when they are seeking employment in areas where public transportation is limited as well. We also offer to take residents to medical appointments when they are unable to manage alone.

**AH**

	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Local</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 9,942	\$ 4,971	\$ 4,971	\$ 19,884
CAPITAL				
			<b>Total Cost:</b>	\$ 19,884

**Franklin Transit Authority**, 708 Columbia Avenue, Franklin, TN / Williamson County 37064

Franklin Transit runs Transit On Demand (TODD) Service. To help serve the 2,744 people living below the poverty level in the city of Franklin, Franklin Transit has expanded its service up to 2.5 miles around the route system within the city. This will enable 90% of the population of Franklin access to public transportation options that increase independence and mobility.

**Franklin**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b><u>SCOPE</u></b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 67,498	\$ 33,749	\$ 33,749	\$ 134,996
CAPITAL				
	<b>Total Cost:</b>			\$ 134,996

**Mending Hearts, Inc(MHI)**, 4302 Albion Street, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37209

Mending Hearts serves an underserved, vulnerable population of women with alcohol and drug addictions and/or mental illnesses. Without the program, they would likely be homeless. MHI provides transitional housing, life skills, employment readiness, addiction recovery services, mental health counseling, and intensive case management. We provide transportation to and from job interviews and employment, court appearances, outpatient drug treatment, mental health appointments, physicians' and attorneys' appointments, and vital records offices, and also, most often provide transportation to places where bus service is not available or incompatible with work schedules or programmatic requirement.

**MHI**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b><u>SCOPE</u></b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,500	\$ 3,500	\$ 14,000
CAPITAL				
	<b>Total Cost:</b>			\$ 14,000

**Neighborhoods Resources Center, Inc.**, P.O. Box 100941, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37224

NRC will maintain and improve the present web site of GettingToWork.Net for Davidson County.-  
 --Expand GettingToWork.Net to all 9 counties in RTA's area, displaying and relating, when possible, the locations of streets, highways, interstates, job training centers, TN licensed daycare, TN licensed schools, colleges and universities, community centers, libraries public health clinics, etc., MCS train route and stations, MTA bus stops and ticket sale locations, etc.---Professional promotion and marketing of web site.---Integrate transportation outreach into NRC's relationships with social service agencies and neighborhood organizations.

**NRC**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b><u>SCOPE</u></b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 43,400	\$ 21,700	\$ 21,700	\$ 86,800
CAPITAL				
	<b>Total Cost:</b>			\$ 86,800

**Project Return, Inc.**, 1200 Division Street, Suite 200, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37203

PRI will provide All-day, Weekly and 20-Ride bus passes to clients in their Bridge To A Better Future program for better access for scheduled job readiness/retention classes, job search, and to get to and from work when initial employment is secured. These services follows the goals identified in the Nashville Region CHSTP Coordinated Plan by: a) Increase transportation options—clients receive all-day/weekly pass for job searches and start-up transportation after employed, b) Improve mobility for the target populations by the bus pass use by ex-offenders enrolled in PRI programs who have medical appointments and/or other appointments in afternoons when they will be attending classes, c) Simplify the use of services by displaying system maps, schedule and route information readily available in reception area, d) Fill gaps in existing transportation by providing job-search support which leads to permanent employment.

**PRI**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b><u>SCOPE</u></b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 33,545	\$ 16,772	\$ 16,772	\$ 67,089
CAPITAL				
	<b>Total Cost:</b>			\$ 67,089

**World Relief Nashville(WRN)**, 218 Omohundro Place, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37210

WRN was established in 1987 to serve refugee populations settlements in the greater Nashville area. In each of the last five years WRN has resettled between 200-300 refugees and expect that number to rise to 400 or more. To meet the increasing demand for employment related transportation caused by job location and increasing client base WRN is purchasing a van and hire staff to manage this transportation program.

**WRN**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b><u>SCOPE</u></b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 21,042	\$6,104.00	\$6,104.00	\$33,250
CAPITAL				
	<b>Total Cost:</b>			\$33,250

**Regional Transportation Authority(RTA)**, 130 Nestor Street, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37210

**Community-Service Agency JARC Transit Voucher Support** - RTA provides the support for partner agencies to administer transit vouchers for their clients to ride MTA buses, RTA relax and ride commuter buses, Commuter Rail or access taxi service. This support allows clients travel to and from agency adult education facility, job training, job fairs, employment interviews, to actual worksites and any other job-readiness activities the agency provides so that clients will be able to lead healthier lives and become productive and independent citizens in society.

**RTA**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b><u>SCOPE</u></b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 39,120	\$19,560	\$19,560	\$78,240
CAPITAL				
	<b>Total Cost:</b>			\$78,240

**Donelson Area Employment Center Shuttle** –This service connects with the morning and afternoon scheduled trains of the RTA Music City Star Commuter Rail service to get riders to employment centers and schools in the Donelson area.

**RTA**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 18,874	\$9,437	\$9,437	\$37,748
CAPITAL				
<b>Total Cost:</b>				\$37,748

**Vehicle Purchase** – RTA purchases standard passenger and/or lift-equipped vans each year for agencies to provide employment transportation for their clients. In RTA JARC Program fleet we have 11 vans that are being utilized by social service agencies. We have 7 12-passenger vans and 4 lift-equipped vans. These vans are contracted out for use by agencies where and/or when there is no public transportation for their clients. Current partners include: 1)Kaplan Career Institute (KCI) 2); Urban Housing Solutions (UHS); 3)Downtown Ministries has “The Next Door” program; 4)Waves, Inc.; 5)Murfreesboro Housing Authority (MHA); 6)Rochelle Center; 7)Aphesis House, Inc. (AHI); 8)Mending Hearts, Inc. (MHI); 9)World Relief . RTA will purchase a JARC van for Welcome Home Ministries soon.

**RTA**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE				
CAPITAL	\$ 77,504	\$ 7,976	\$ 7,976	\$ 93,456
<b>Total Cost:</b>				\$ 93,456

**Administrative Costs** – RTA contracts with the Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority for professional services. These funds will be used for training, promotional activities and other costs attributed to the support of the RTA JARC Program.

**RTA**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$ 18,748	\$9,374	\$9,374	\$37,496
CAPITAL				
<b>Total Cost:</b>				\$37,496

**Contracted Fixed-Route Bus Services** -- Mid-day run of the #96X Nashville/Murfreesboro Relax & Ride to Nashville, TN, LaVergne, TN, Smyrna, TN and Murfreesboro, TN. This is an extension of RTA’s #96X Nashville/Murfreesboro Relax and Ride bus service. This is a much needed transportation alternative for commuters, developed to provide more convenient bus time for commuter students at the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center (TRC) and Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU). For the students at TRC, this service works as a training tool for persons with disabilities to focus on trip planning, time management and bus fare budgeting. Also, this bus run offers a much needed transportation alternative for the day commuters to MTSU.

**RTA**

	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>SCOPE</b>				
OPERATING ASSISTANCE 2 year combined allocation 2008/2009	\$ 87,108	\$43,554	\$43,554	\$174,216
CAPITAL				
<b>Total Cost:</b>				\$174,216