



JARC (5307) Program of Projects

Job Access Reverse Commute ((JARC) 5307) funds support local transportation projects to finance the planning, capital and operating costs 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, including transportation projects that facilitate the provision of public transportation services from urbanized areas and rural areas to suburban employment locations

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 JARC 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**

5307: FY 2013 Apportionment Carryover: \$ 52,800
5307: FY 2014 Apportionment: \$800,000

Total Federal Funds Available: \$852,800

Total number of sub-recipients funded in this Program of Projects: **6**

List of Projects

Program Administration

The project administration funds from the previous Program of Projects will be utilized to manage the Nashville CHSTP process; including, but not limited to: managing the public involvement components of the CHSTP; implementing the RFP process; administering FTA grant submission and requirements; assuring management of projects, operating, accounting, financial and administrative systems for all awarded subrecipients.

Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA)

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Agency Contact: Felix Castrodad, Felix.castrodad@nashville.gov

Agency Type: Governmental agency

Agency Service Area: Nashville/Davidson County

Agency Description: The Metropolitan Transit Authority (MTA) was formed in 1973 for the purpose of stabilizing existing public transportation services and meeting other transportation needs of the citizens within Davidson County and visitors.

The Nashville MTA provides local and express bus routes and is a component unit of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville & Davidson County. Nashville MTA also provides paratransit services (AccessRide) for seniors and people with disabilities that are unable to access fixed routes.

Agency Project Description: -Route 10-Charlotte Evening/Weekend Service – MTA is proposing to continue the JACR-funded evening service on nights and Saturdays, as well as all day Sunday that will extend past White Bridge Road to the retail employment centers further down Charlotte. Through this service, employees at these retail facilities have more affordable transportation choices and greater independence. In addition, residents along this portion of the corridor have access to the MTA bus system for job access in other areas of the city. The evening and weekend service provides over 52,000 trips to low or limited individuals for jobs and job related activities.

Agency Project Description: -NEW ROUTE. Thompson Lane Connector Service – would be located between the already established corridors of Route 12 Nolensville Road and Route 15 Murfreesboro Pike. These two corridors have very high ridership with a November 2014 monthly ridership of nearly 55,000 and 54,000 respectively. Due to the nature of Nashville’s roadway development in a hub and spoke pattern, the greater the distance away from the downtown core results in a greater distance between roadways, and accordingly, MTA routes.

Beginning around Route 1-100 Oaks area near Wal-Mart, Vanderbilt, and Home Depot retail area, the Thompson Lane Connector will travel and connect to Route 12 Nolensville Road, then continue down Thompson Lane to connect with some areas around Glencliff High School, and ultimately connecting to Route 15 Murfreesboro Pike. This allows individuals who work or live in the wide spaces between the corridors some level of access to bus service on the main line. Thompson Lane contains several apartment and residential complexes as well as a variety of retail and other services, including the Kroger Training Facility which recently opened in the Willowbrook Commons Shopping Center. The Center trains new associates of 42 Kroger’s locations throughout the metro area. Those being served by the Thompson Lane Connector would not have to walk over a mile along a high-speed roadway with very few sidewalks to access Route 12 Nolensville Road or Route 15 Murfreesboro Pike. The connector service has the potential to provide over 30,000 trips to low or limited income individuals for jobs and job related activities. This service would operate primarily during peak periods, such as from 7:00am to 10:00am and 5:30pm to 9:00pm. These service hours provide new opportunities for jobs access trips from all areas along the route, including the Kroger’s Training Facility which opened on October 10, 2014 on E. Thompson Lane. Through this service, workers at this facility and others have more affordable transportation choices and greater independence. In addition, residents along this new route have access to the MTA bus system for jobs in other areas of the city, and the extended peak times provide transportation options for employees with non-traditional work hours.

Route 10 Charlotte MTA: a maintenance project

SCOPE	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$130,000	\$65,000	\$65,000	\$260,000
Total Cost:				\$260,000

New route Thompson Lane MTA: a development project

SCOPE	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$407,500	\$203,750	\$203,750	\$815,000
Total Cost:				\$815,000

TOTAL Nashville MTA:

SCOPE	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$537,500	\$268,750	\$268,750	\$1,075,000
Total Cost:				\$1,075,000

Aphesis House, Inc.

1522 Compton Ave., Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37212

PH: 615-742-3463 & FAX: 615-525-7359

Agency Contact: James Settles, JSETTLES@aphesishouse.org

Agency Type: Non-profit

Agency Service Area: Nashville/Davidson County

Agency Description: Aphesis House provides comprehensive transitional services for men returning from incarceration with a history of homelessness and or substance abuse. Aphesis seeks to develop the physical, emotional, and social well-being of the men while equipping them with personal and professional skills necessary to achieve self-sufficiency as productive, law-abiding members of our community.

Agency Project Description: Aphesis House is requesting support for their transportation program, with the purchase of a new vehicle and operating assistance. They will provide transportation assistance to their program participants and coordinating with other service agencies to maximize transportation resources.

Aphesis House, a development project

<u>SCOPE</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$14,634	\$7,317	\$7,317	\$29,268
CAPITAL	\$16,956	\$2,119	\$2,119	\$21,195
Total Cost:				\$50,463

World Relief Nashville

1655 Murfreesboro Pike, Suite G, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37217

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Agency Contact: Tim Patterson , tpatterson@wr.org

Agency Type: Non-profit

Agency Service Area: Nashville/Davidson County and surrounding Middle, TN

Agency Description: World Relief Nashville (WRN) was established in 1987 to serve refugee populations settling in the greater Nashville area. Between 2005 and 2009, WRN resettled between 200-300 refugees each year. In 2010 WRN saw that number rise to 567 and then settle out at 500 in 2011-2013. In 2014 WRN expects to work with 550-600 refugees, almost every one of which will fall into the low-income category. Four years ago WRN started a new Refugee Social Service program which has increased WRN's potential client base and increased the time frame from six months to five years for which services can be provided to these clients. Services offered to WRN clients include: English Language Training, medical transport, cultural training, financial literacy, tutoring, furniture and household item donation, and employment services.

Agency Project Description: WRN's transportation program provides transportation to low-income families, in particular the refugee population of Nashville. WRN transports to and from work, interviews, job applications, and other employment related activities during hours that regular public transportation is not available or to areas where regular public transportation does not go. WRM would maintain the five full-time drivers and place one staff member in charge of scheduling transportation for clients.

World Relief Nashville, a maintenance project

<u>SCOPE</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$55,629	\$27,814.50	\$27,814.50	\$111,258
Total Cost:				\$111,258

Mending Hearts, Inc.

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Agency Contact: Diane Del Chiaro, diane@mendingheartsinc.org
Agency Type: Non-profit

Agency Service Area: Nashville/Davidson County, West Nashville area

Agency Description: Mending Hearts Inc. was founded on April 24, 2004 by two women who overcame their own personal backgrounds of addiction and homelessness. Mending Hearts is a residential recovery-oriented therapeutic community for women who are or are at risk of becoming homeless as a result of their addiction to drugs, alcohol or both. Their facilities are home to over 40 women who are in residence to address their addiction and the current circumstances of their life.

Agency Project Description: Mending Hearts is requesting operating assistance for two vans that are operating to extend transportation options for their program participants, and estimates that 1,650 monthly trips to 200 recipients will be provided with their program.

Mending Hearts Inc. a maintenance project

SCOPE	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$19,500	\$9,750	\$9,750	\$39,000
Total Cost:				\$39,000

Welcome Home Ministries

1325 General McArthur Blvd., Brentwood, TN / Williamson County 37027
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Agency Contact: Daryl Murray, Daryl@WelcomeHomeMin.org
Agency Type: Non-profit

Agency Service Area: Nashville/Davidson County and surrounding Middle, TN

Agency Description: In 1999, Welcome Home Ministries (WHM) opened the first “Welcome Home House” in East Nashville with 9 beds to support 24/7 transitional housing recovery support program. “Welcome Home House” is a safe and sober compassionate community for men who seek freedom and recovery from drugs, alcohol and a destructive way of life. By 2009, WHM owned and operated three residential facilities to provide a safe and healthy community of compassionate care for a total of 24 men. In 2011, WHM expanded their housing capacity from 24 to 39 beds. Their growth enabled an increase in services for participants by 62.5% (3 transitional houses, including a house for Veterans, and 2 permanent supportive houses for recovery program graduates).

Agency Project Description: WHM’s will use operating assistance to offer more transportation services for their clients, and continue to offer transportation supportive services to agencies they collaborate with in the Metropolitan Nashville area. Providing for the transportation needs of their clients will help their employment specialists focus more on finding job opportunities for clients rather than worry about how their clients will find transportation to those job interviews. These funds will also assist clients’ recovery as they rebuild their lives, secure employment; become stable and self-sustainable productive citizens.

Welcome Home Ministries a maintenance project

SCOPE	Federal	State	Local	Total Cost
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$39,367	\$19,684	\$19,684	\$78,735
Total Cost:				\$78,735

Project Return, Inc.

1200 Division Street, Suite 200, Nashville, TN / Davidson County 37203

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Agency Contact: Bettie Kirkland, bkirkland@projectreturninc.org

Agency Type: Non-profit

Agency Service Area: Nashville/Davidson County and surrounding Middle, TN

Agency Description: Project Return is 36 year old nonprofit founded in 1979 by five area ministers. Project Return provides a broad range of assistance and support to anyone with a juvenile or criminal record, aid in the transition from incarceration to the community to ensure a chance for success, and education to the community and clients that offenders are human beings first and offenders secondly.

Agency Project Description: Project Return requested assistance with their transportation program though operating assistance.

Project Return Inc. a maintenance project

<u>SCOPE</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$116,793	\$58,396.50	\$58,396.50	\$233,586
Total Cost:				

Regional Transportation Authority(RTA)

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Agency Contact: Shontrill Lowe, shontrill.lowe@nashville.gov

Agency Type: Governmental agency

Agency Service Area: Cheatham, Davidson, Dickson, Maury, Sumner, Robertson, Rutherford, Williamson and Wilson counties

Agency Description: The mission of Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) is to offer the citizens of Middle Tennessee choices and alternatives on how they commute to work each day and to coordinate local regional transportation services. RTA provides regional commuter bus service, hundreds of vanpools, and Tennessee's first regional rail service, the Music City Star.

Contracted Fixed-Route Bus Services -- RTA will continue a mid-day bus run of the RTA #96X Nashville/Murfreesboro Relax & Ride from Nashville, TN to LaVergne, TN, Smyrna, TN and Murfreesboro, TN. This run also deviates from the fixed route to serve the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center. This bus run was designed to transport low-income individuals to and from jobs and activities related to their employment and to support reverse commute trips for small urban areas and rural commuters. This is a much needed transportation alternative for commuters that was developed to provide more convenient bus time for commuter students at the Tennessee Rehabilitation Center (TRC) and Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU), and other eligible low-income individuals. 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. Ridership has increased by 11.6% since last funding cycle with an average annual ridership total of 6060.

RTA a maintenance project

<u>SCOPE</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
OPERATING ASSISTANCE	\$52,500	\$26,250	\$26,250	\$105,000
Total Cost:				\$105,000