## TOP OF ALABAMA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

## **Call for Projects for Transit Services**

Project proposals are now being accepted for funding consideration through the Job Access Reverse Commute Program (Section 5316) and New Freedom Program (Section 5317). These Federal Transit Administration programs provide funding for transit related services that assist targeted population groups. This Call for Projects extends to any transit provider within the Huntsville Metropolitan Planning Organization Study Area, including all of Madison County and the eastern portion of Limestone County. The following organizations are eligible to submit a proposal:

- 1. Private nonprofit organizations;
- 2. State or local governmental authority; and
- 3. Operators of public transportation services, including private operators of public transportation services.

Funds are available from FY 2012 FTA allocations for each program and are expected to total \$117,689 for JARC projects and \$69,567 for New Freedom projects. A 50% match requirement for operating costs and a 20% match requirement for capital costs exist for both the programs. **The application package, as well as details concerning specific requirements and allowable activities can be found in the Program Management Plan maintained by the Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments.** This document is available on the TARCOG web site at <u>www.tarcog.us/regional-planning-agency/transportation-planning/transit/</u> or can be requested by calling 256-716-2485.

## The application deadline is 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 29, 2014.

Applications must be received by the Top of Alabama Regional Council of Governments by this time to be eligible for funding.

## **Selection Advisory Committee**

As part of the selection process for projects funded under the JARC and New Freedom programs, a Selection Advisory Committee comprised of local governments, human service agencies, and transit providers will make recommendations regarding project proposals. If your organization wishes to have a representative on the Selection Advisory Committee, please contact Falguni Patel at 256-716-2485 before Tuesday, April 29, 2014. Representatives of transit providers who would like to participate must have provided transit services during the previous fiscal year. Participation on the Advisory Committee is not a prerequisite to an application being funded.

Completed applications or questions regarding applications should be directed to:

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