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Metropolitan Planning Organization Soliciting Transportation Proposals

FAYETTEVILLE – The Fayetteville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (FAMPO) has announced the availability of federal funding for projects related to human services transportation.

The MPO is soliciting project proposals for funding under the federal *Job Access and Reverse Commute* and *New Freedom* transit programs. An estimated \$515,759 from the combined Fiscal Year 2009 and Fiscal Year 2010 in grant funding is available under these programs for transit projects in the MPO area.

Funding will be allocated using a competitive selection process described in the MPO's adopted Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan, which can be accessed online at www.fampo.org.

Eligible applicants for funding consist of:

- Local government agencies
- Social services agencies
- Private and public transportation operators
- Non-profit organizations

The Call for Projects is open until March 7. The grant application is available online at http://www.fampo.org

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