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Solano County Projects Awarded Federal Grant Funding

SUISUN CITY, CA - Several Solano County projects are recipients of Fiscal Year 2012 grants totaling \$1,366,175 for one year of funding announced for Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom (NF).

As a result of Solano County's recent emphasis on improving mobility for seniors and people with disabilities, Solano County was awarded \$200,000 for the successful Intercity Taxi Scrip Program to provide taxi service for both ambulatory and non-ambulatory residents. \$250,000 was awarded to the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) for a new Solano County Mobility Management Program. Both were identified as priorities by the STA's Seniors and People with Disabilities Transportation Advisory Committee.

The grants are competitive Federal Transit Administration funds administered through Caltrans. JARC and NF program funds are intended to fund innovative and flexible programs that address the transportation needs of people with disabilities, seniors, and individuals with limited incomes. The following projects were approved to receive funding:

Agency	Project	Amount including Toll Credits
SolTrans	Operating Assistance to continue funding the SolTrans/ Solano Community College bus service to Vallejo campus	\$400,000
Solano Transportation Authority	Solano County Mobility Management Program	\$250,000
Solano County	Intercity Taxi Scrip Program to provide taxi service for both ambulatory and non-ambulatory residents	\$200,000
City of Rio Vista	Operating Assistance to continue operation of Route 50 and 52 between Rio Vista, Isleton, Fairfield, Suisun City, and Pittsburg	\$250,000
	Capital Assistance to purchase replacement bus, 22-ft, gas powered, 18 passenger	\$108,000
	Operating Assistance for new door to door medical and shopper shuttle from Rio Vista and Isleton to Fairfield/ Suisun City, Antioch and Vacaville (Rural and Small Operator JARC)	\$60,000
Faith in Action	Volunteer Driver Program services to frail homebound seniors, persons with disabilities and individuals with chronic illnesses	\$98,175
Total for Solano County Projects		\$1,366,175

For more information about programs and projects addressing the transportation needs of people with disabilities, seniors, and individuals with limited incomes, contact Liz Niedziela, STA Transit Manager/Analyst at 707-399-3217, or go to the STA's website: <http://www.sta.ca.gov>.