

Project: Tennessee Statewide Bus and Bus Facilities

Amount requested: \$10,000,000

Recipient: Tennessee Public Transportation Association

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Project description:

The need for reliable public transportation is greater than ever in Tennessee given the economic crisis, fluctuating price of gasoline and other expenses (not to mention environmental concerns) associated with automobile use. This is especially true for the State's low-income and elderly residents who rely on public transportation as an economic alternative to automobile usage. Residents of Tennessee are increasing their use of bus and van transportation services, and vehicle replacement is a key issue for rural and urban transit agencies.

Requested funds will support TPTA member agencies' ongoing efforts to replace an aging bus fleet and bus facilities. With the help of federal, state and local funds, TPTA can take the necessary steps to address the chronic backlog of aging buses and bus facilities to provide quality public transportation for residents across Tennessee. Public transportation services help Tennesseans in every county of the state reach jobs each day.