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Governor Doyle Approves \$3.9 Million for 'Transportation to Jobs' Program

MADISON – Governor Jim Doyle today approved \$3,918,474 in grants for projects that will help to connect low-income workers with jobs through enhanced local transit services such as additional bus routes and vanpool and shuttle services.

“Access to safe, reliable transportation is critical for the working families of Wisconsin,” Governor Doyle said. “Transportation is a proven investment that not only benefits workers but also strengthens our economy. Thank you to all the local communities and organizations for their work to provide essential transportation services.”

The Wisconsin Employment Transportation Assistance Program (WETAP) combines federal, state and local funds to assist transportation-provider groups in all parts of the state. Enhanced transit services made possible through WETAP include additional bus routes, vanpool and shuttle services, vehicle loan and vehicle repair programs, and the hiring of local mobility managers who coordinate transportation services for area workers and employers.

WETAP integrates local, state, and federal funding sources into a single, coordinated program and award process administered by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation in coordination with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development. For this year, the federal and state investment totals about \$3.9 million, with the local funding share totaling over \$2.6 million.

A complete list of projects is below.

2011 WETAP Projects

Grantee	Project Type	Counties Served	Federal/ State
Milwaukee Careers Cooperative	Shuttle Service, Mobility Management	Milwaukee, plus 45 mile radius	\$458,590
County of Milwaukee – Route 17	Public Transit	Milwaukee	\$231,750
County of Milwaukee – Route 54	Public Transit	Milwaukee	\$157,500
County of Milwaukee - Expansion	Public Transit	Milwaukee	\$136,861
Waukesha-Ozaukee-Washington Workforce Development, Inc.	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans, Mobility Management	Ozaukee, Washington, Waukesha	\$142,323
Milwaukee Area Total			\$1,127,024

YWCA of Madison	Shuttle Service	Dane	\$274,411
Madison Area Total			\$274,411
Community Action, Inc. of Rock and Walworth Counties	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans	Rock, Walworth	\$119,528
City of Appleton	Public Transit	Outagamie	\$259,145
Forward Service – Brown County	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans, Mobility Management	Brown	\$75,327
Forward Service – Marathon County	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans	Marathon	\$165,335
Kenosha Achievement Center	Shuttle Service, Boot Camp, Jump Start, Mobility Manager, Vehicle Repair	Kenosha	\$290,452
Northwest Wisconsin Community Services Agency	Mobility Management, Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans, Vanpool	Douglas, Bayfield, Ashland	\$123,691
Western Dairyland Economic Opportunity Council	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans, Transportation Education and Assistance, Mobility Management	Buffalo, Eau Claire, Jackson, Trempealeau	\$156,900
Wisconsin Interfaith Needs Response	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans, Vehicle Repair Grants	Outagamie, Calumet, Portage, Waushara, Waupaca, Winnebago	\$78,210
Workforce Connections	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans	La Crosse, Crawford, Vernon, Monroe, Juneau	\$287,059
Small Urban Areas Total			\$1,555,647
Advocap	Vehicle Purchase Loans, Mobility Management, Vehicle Repair Grants	Winnebago, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Calumet	\$120,001
Community Action Coalition of South Central Wisconsin	Vehicle Purchase Loans	Jefferson	\$146,710
CAP Services	Vehicle Purchase Loans	Portage, Waupaca, Outagamie, Marquette, Wood	\$99,926
Couleecap	Vehicle Purchase Loans, Vehicle Repair Grants	Crawford, La Crosse, Monroe, Vernon	\$136,651
Central Wisconsin Community Action Council, Inc.	Mobility Manager; Vehicle Purchase Loans	Adams, Columbia, Dodge, Sauk, Waushara	\$79,722
NEWCAP	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans	Florence, Marinette, Oconto, Shawano	\$98,760
Southwest Wisconsin Community Action Program	Vehicle Purchase Loans, Mobility Management	Grant, Green. Iowa, Lafayette, Richland, Sauk	\$129,720
Women's Employment Project	Vehicle Purchase Loans; Mobility Management; Van Pool; Taxi Vouchers	Door, Kewaunee	\$73,379
West Central Wisconsin Community Action Agency	Vehicle Purchase and Repair Loans	Barron, Chippewa, Dunn, Polk, Pepin, Pierce, St Croix	\$76,523
Rural Areas Total			\$961,392
Statewide Total			\$3,918,474