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Job Access/Reverse Commute and New Freedom Grants

Austin Urbanized Area

FTA Program Purpose

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- **JARC**—New public transportation services that connect low income/welfare recipients with job sites or provide reverse commute to suburban job sites
- **New Freedom**—New public transportation services above and beyond ADA

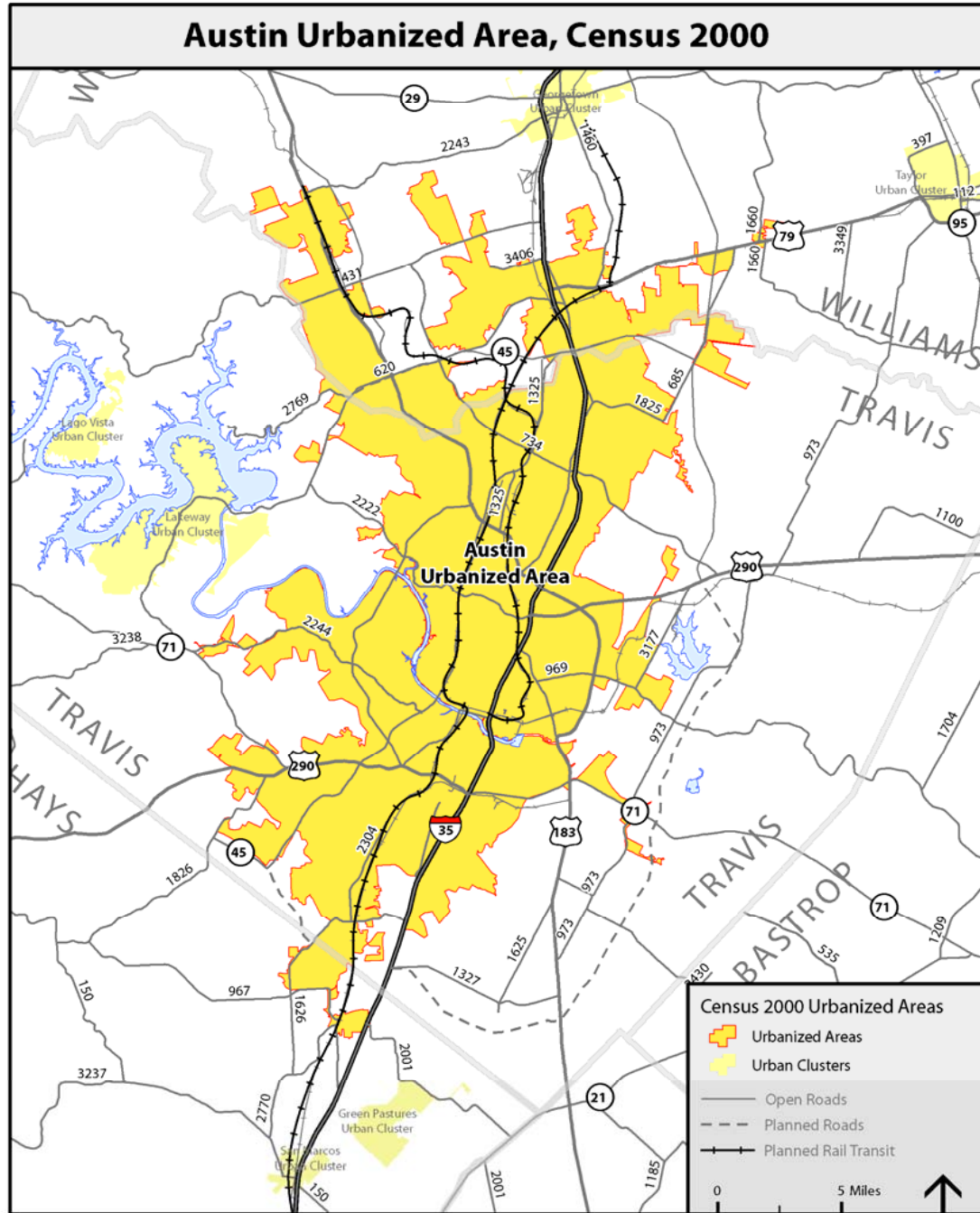
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- **TxDOT:** Statewide selection of rural and small urban projects
- **CAMPO/Capital Metro Partnership:** Regional selection of projects serving the urbanized area

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For Census 2000, a UA consists of contiguous, densely settled census block groups and census blocks

Eligibility Requirements

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Potential grant applicants

- Cities and Counties
- Capital Metro, CARTS, and other public transit providers
- MHMR Centers and other client transportation providers
- Workforce Centers
- Private providers and others
- Partnerships Encouraged

Eligibility Requirements

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Other Requirements:

- \$50,000 minimum award
- Reimbursement program
- Local match required (50% for Operations; 20% for Capital)
- Must meet all applicable FTA requirements
- Project must be an eligible project type under the program

Anticipated Timeline

March-August 2008	Publicize Programs/ Meetings with Potential Applicants
May 30, 2008	Issue Project Call
June-August 2008	Pre-Application Workshops
October 15, 2008	Applications Due
October-November 2008	Evaluate Applications
December 2008	Board Presentation
January 2009	Public Hearing
February 2009	CAMPO Board Decision

Funds Available

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Fiscal Year	JARC	New Freedom	Total
2007 (remain.)	\$99,900	\$152,500	\$252,400
2008	\$417,300	\$193,300	\$610,600
2009	\$440,000	\$204,300	\$644,300
Total	\$957,200	\$550,100	\$1,507,300

- Dollar amounts have been rounded
- Includes Federal portion only.
- Excludes 10% Available for Grant Administration

General Application Requirements

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- Letters of support from project sponsors
- Project description
- Funding program
- Project type
- Who would be served
- Geographic area, routes, etc
- Project cost and funding
- Project budget

Evaluation Criteria

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- Benefit
- Project sustainability
- Coordination and partnerships
- Interconnectivity
- Implementation of Capital Area Regional Transit Coordination Plan
- Cost effectiveness
- Budget and project implementation

Federal Program Requirements and other Info

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- Federal Transit Administration Guidance on the Job Access Reverse Commute Program:
http://www.fta.dot.gov/laws/circulars/leg_reg_6623.html
- Federal Transit Administration Guidance on the New Freedom Grant Program:
http://www.fta.dot.gov/laws/circulars/leg_reg_6624.html
- Federal Transit Administration Guidance on the Americans With Disabilities Act:
http://www.fta.dot.gov/civilrights/civil_rights_2360.html
- Assurances and Certifications Required for FTA Funding:
http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/apply/grants_financing_93.html
- Capital Area Regional Transit Coordination Plan:
<http://www.capitalareartcc.org/>
*click on "publications"

For More Information

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- Visit RTCC website:

<http://www.CapitalAreaRTCC.org>

- Visit CAMPO website:

<http://www.campotexas.org>

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