



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Transit
Administration**

Administrator

400 Seventh St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590

The Honorable Mark Warner
Governor of Virginia
Richmond, VA 23219

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Dear Governor Warner:

I am pleased to inform you that Virginia is receiving a United We Ride (UWR) State Coordination Grant in the amount of \$35,000. The UWR initiative targets the implementation of the President's Executive Order on Human Service Transportation by breaking down barriers among Federal programs to simplify access, reduce duplication, and increase cost efficiencies.

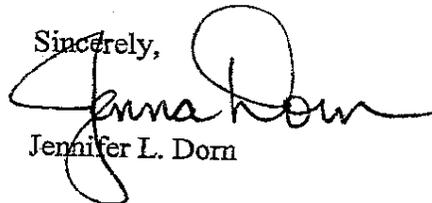
The UWR grant gives your State the opportunity to enhance coordination of human service transportation programs for older adults, individuals with disabilities, and lower income populations who depend on transportation services to access employment, healthcare, and other community services. These funds are intended to provide immediate assistance to your State in improving coordinated human service transportation.

A number of studies have shown that coordinated human service transportation can meet the challenges outlined in the Executive Order. However, too often, information to measure progress for achieving cost and service results is lacking. We look forward to providing assistance to your State with future efforts to collect data regarding expenditures, costs, and benefits of coordinated transportation.

The Federal Transit Administration's Regional Office will assist your State's appointed leadership team to complete the application process to receive these funds. If they have any questions, please contact Ms. Gail MacFadden-Roberts at (215) 656-7100.

Your leadership and efforts in the development of comprehensive strategies to deliver efficient and affordable transportation services to the citizens in your State is commendable. Again, congratulations on receiving this well-deserved UWR State Coordination Grant. I look forward to working with you on this important program.

Sincerely,



Jennifer L. Dorn

cc: Neil Sherman
Gail MacFadden-Roberts