

# Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

## Office of Transportation Delivery

### Alternative Modes of Transportation – Transit

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- **Public Transit**
  - **FTA Grants-Rural/Small Urban/MPO Planning**
  - **Non-Public School Bus Transportation**
  - **Veterans Program “Vet Connection”**
- **Human Service Transportation Delivery**
  - **Non-emergency Medicaid**
  - **Department of Blind**
  - **Voc Rehab**



# Benefits of Public Transportation

- **Public Transportation Enhances Personal Opportunities**
  - **Public transportation provides personal mobility and freedom for people from every walk of life.**
  - **Access to public transportation gives people transportation options to get to work, go to school, visit friends, or go to a doctor's office.**



# Benefits of Public Transportation

- **Public Transportation Saves Fuel, Reduces Congestion**
  - Americans living in areas served by public transportation saves 646 million hours in travel time and 398 million gallons of fuel annually in congestion reduction alone.



# Benefits of Public Transportation

- **Public Transportation Provides Economic Opportunities**
  - Every dollar communities invest in public transportation generates approximately \$6 in economic returns.
  - Every \$10 million in capital investment in public transportation yields \$30 million in increased business sales.
  - Every \$10 million in operating investment yields \$32 million in increased business sales.
  - Public Transit is an Important Employer

# Benefits of Public Transportation Cont....

- **Public Transportation Saves Money**
  - The average household spends 18 cents of every dollar on transportation, and 94% of this goes to buying, maintaining, and operating cars, the largest expenditure after housing.
  - Households that are likely to use public transportation on a given day save over \$8,400 every year.



# Benefits of Public Transportation Cont....

- **Public Transportation Reduces Gasoline Consumption**
  - Public transportation's overall effects save the United States 4.2 billion gallons of gasoline annually:- more than 3 times the amount of gasoline imported from Kuwait.



# Benefits of Public Transportation Cont....

- ❖ **Bottom Line – Riding public transportation helps save money and reduces our carbon footprint.**
  1. Gives you more transportation choices
  2. Affordable Transportation coincides with more affordable housing
  3. Improves the Environment
  4. Values communities & neighborhoods



# Livability Initiative

The Interagency Partnership for Sustainable Communities



“Livability means being able to take your kids to school, go to work, see a doctor, drop by the grocery or Post Office, go out to dinner and a movie, and play with your kids at the park – all without having to get in your car” - *Ray LaHood*

# FTA's Bus Livability Initiative

## Grant Opportunities

- The Bus Livability Initiative makes funds available to public transportation providers to finance capital projects to replace, rehabilitate, and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities that meet the Six Livability Principles.
- FY10 - \$163 Million Available– OTD(KYTC) received \$5,043,760
- FY11 - \$150 Million Available– OTD(KYTC) received \$1,007,200
- FY12 - \$125 Million Available– Proposals due March 29, 2012

# Six (6) Livability Principles:

1. Provide more transportation choices
2. Promote equitable, affordable housing
3. Enhance economic competitiveness
4. Support existing communities
5. Coordinate policies and leverage investment
6. Value communities & neighborhoods



# KNOTT COUNTY LIVABILITY BUS PROJECT

## Knott County Intermodal Transit Facility and Parking Structure

- Awarded \$5,043,760 - Leslie, Knott, Letcher, & Perry Community Action Partnership
- Four Objectives:
  - Expanded Transportation Options
  - Promote Public Health
  - Utilize Green Building Techniques/Reduce Emissions
  - Enhance Economic Development



# KNOTT COUNTY LIVABILITY BUS PROJECT Cont..

## Expanded Transportation Options

- Climate-controlled bus waiting area
- Walk from parking structure to Transit Facility
- Access to jobs, education and health services
- Connect with Intercity and JOB services

## Promote Public Health

- Built-in Walking Track part of Parking Facility
- Track coated with walker-friendly surface
- Denotations of distance painted on track  
thru joint venture with community Artisan Center.

Currently, the Transit Agency is in the NEPA process of the project.

# Murray Calloway Transit Authority Livability Project

- Awarded \$1,007,200 - Murray Calloway Transit Authority
- Integrate sidewalks and bike paths throughout the city to link together bus stops and improve communications
- The improvements will include the construction of
  - bike lanes and sidewalks,
  - shoulder widening,
  - sign installation, and
  - the purchase and installation of bike racks.



# Murray Calloway Transit Authority Livability Project Partnership

- The Murray Calloway Transit Authority (MCTA)'s service area includes Murray State University.
- Expand access to transit services and allow University students and residents of the community improved accessibility.
- Encouraging bicycle use and walking can help reduce obesity.



# Other Livability Projects & Partnerships

- **Hyden Community Wellness and Activity Center** to be constructed as a second story adjacent to the LKLP Transit Facility and on top of the Transit Parking Structure



# Hyden Community Wellness and Activity Center

- **Proposed Features Include:**
  - **Full Size Basketball Court**
  - **Elevated Walking Track**
  - **Exercise Area**
  - **Two Cinemas/Auditorium/Seating 200/150**
  - **Two Meeting/Banquet Rooms**
  - **Child Care Service**
  - **8,000 sq ft Commercial Office Space**
  - **An Additional 82 Parking Spaces**



# Fiscal Year 2012 Livability Funding Proposal

## \$15 Million Livability Proposal

- Construction of Intermodal Transit Facility/Parking Garage
- Installing Bus Shelters and Signage

# LIVABILITY!

