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Melissa Taylor
Director of Program Development
Lower Columbia Community Action Program (CAP)
1526 Commerce Avenue
Longview, WA 98632-8232

RE: CAP's Public Rural Transportation 2017-2019 Consolidated Grant
Application

Dear Ms. Taylor:

This letter is being written to express RiverCities Transit's support of CAP's Rural Mobility grant application to the Washington State Department of Transportation for the 2017-2019 Consolidated Grant.

CAP's rural transportation service, "Connecting the I-5 Corridor", provides an essential public transportation service to residents in Longview and Kelso. Residents utilizing public transit rely on CAP's service to link up with the larger public transit systems in Cowlitz County and throughout the region. This service provides some of our citizens with their only transportation to employment within the region. It provides other vulnerable citizens—seniors, students, and people living with disabilities—affordable transportation to essential services and education. The service also provides citizens with an option to save wear and tear on their personal vehicle while protecting our environment by cutting fossil fuel use and carbon emissions.

We wholeheartedly support CAP in your quest for grant funding and wish you success.

Sincerely

Don Jensen
Board Chair
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