

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Regional Transit Authority

REVISED DATE

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Regional Transit Authority dba RIDES at its headquarters, 522 10th Ave East, Spencer, IA, at 9:00 am on April 26, 2012. The purpose of this hearing is to discuss an application from RTA to the Iowa Department of Transportation for financial assistance as follows:

RTA will request 3.077657% or approximately \$318,835.00 of STA operating funds and approximately \$534,104.00 of federal transit operating funds. RTA will also request a total of \$67,230.00 in Federal Capital Assistance through FTA as listed below for FY2013:

RTA wishes to purchase One ADA Accessible 176'' wheel base Light Duty Bus with surveillance at \$67,230 which is at 83% of the federal share and \$13,770 which is 17% of the local share for a total of \$81,000.

RTA is applying for a Job Access/Reverse Commute Grant of \$29,200.00 for the provision of service to employees for work trips in Sioux County. If approved, these funds will be matched with local dollars on a 50% federal 50% local basis.

RTA is applying for a New Freedom Grant for \$13,000 to fund projects that go beyond minimums established by the ADA or expand services to persons with disabilities. RTA is coordinating a project that offers night services in the community of Sheldon, IA which are outside of the established ADA services.

RTA is applying for a State Transit Assistance (STA) Special Projects Grant for \$12,000 to provide transportation services for low income individuals needing these services to obtain needed healthcare service in Sioux County.

These projects will not have a significant detrimental environmental effect on the area, and no persons or businesses will be displaced by these activities. The projects are in conformance with the statewide Transit Improvement Program.

Any interested person or agency is invited to attend this hearing and speak for or against this application for funding. Written comments will be accepted at 522 10th Ave East, PO Box 1240, Spencer, IA 51301 through Wednesday, April 25, 2012 at 1:00 pm. For additional information you may call Hugh D. Lively, Executive Director, at 712-264-3034 during RTA office hours 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

The Regional Transit Authority (RTA) RIDES Public Hearing Meetings are open to all individuals regardless of disability. Any person with a disability requiring a reasonable accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact the RTA Office at (800) 358-5037 at least three business days prior to the meeting.