

Subject: Award from Maryland Transit Administration for Connect-a-Ride Service

To: Lonnie Robbins

From: John W. Powell, Jr.

Date: December 8, 2014

I am pleased to report that we have received a \$1,845,828 grant from the Maryland Transit Administration to fund the Connect-a-Ride transit operation. This service is provided through Howard County's contract with First Transit for operation under the Regional Transportation Agency of Central Maryland (the "RTA") brand. For FY15 we are requesting that funding from the Grant Fund, Contingency Reserve be utilized to permit us to access these funds.

The Connect-a-Ride transit services operate in Anne Arundel County, Howard County, Prince George's County and the City of Laurel. Along with grant funding being provided by and through Anne Arundel County, this grant from the MTA will offset operating costs by the RTA to provide the Connect-a-Ride services for FY15.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. Thank you.

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