National RTAP

Federal Transit Administration (FTA) National Rural Transit Assistance Program (RTAP)

What's New:

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RFP No. 07-02

National RTAP has released a new Request for Proposals for the update and expansion of the online "Training Resource Catalog." The project will include a new data collection as well as revision and update of current online database and expanding the current database to include a Transit Trainers "Speakers Bureau" as well as an interactive Map and Calendar function. Application deadline is **Friday April 27, 2006**.

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Old Training Resources Catalog

New RTAP "Threat Vulnerability Toolbox" Training Module

The new RTAP "Threat Vulnerability Toolbox" training module will be released in December 2006. You can sneak peek video clips, download the workbook and visit the online vulnerability assessment tool used in the training <u>HERE</u>.

National RTAP Training Resource Catalog

The National RTAP Training Resource Catalog is an excellent resource when you're looking for the latest training available.

The catalog provides you with the ability to search more than 800 training resources. You can search by resource name, type, subject, author, agency, or keyword. The output of your search will tell you about each resource (i.e. how to access the resources, how much it might cost etc). You also have the option to update the materials in the catalog. So be sure to search through the catalog and find your own resources that might be available and make sure all the information is correct.

In order to keep the catalog up to date and relevant we vitally need your help. You have the capability to add new resources to the catalog. We hope you will take the time to add any resources that you might have available. The intent of this catalog is to keep it as a living document – ever growing in size and relevance. So be sure to come back often as new resources will be added.

You can access the catalog by using the link on the left side of this page or go to:

http://www.nationalrtap.org/ResourceCatalog/

FTA Emphasizes United We Ride

<u>United We Ride</u> -- a new five-part initiative-- to break down the barriers between programs and set the stage for local partnerships that generate common sense solutions and deliver A-plus performance for everyone who needs transportation.

The <u>United We Ride</u> initiative includes:

• <u>A Framework for Action</u>. Created by a panel of experts from around the country that convened in August 2003, this publication is a self-assessment tool that States and communities can use to identify areas of success and highlight the actions still needed to improve the coordination of human service transportation.

- <u>State Leadership Awards</u>. These initial awards have recognized a select number of States that have accomplished significant progress in human service transportation coordination.
- National Leadership Forum on Human Service Transportation Coordination. This conference, held in late February 2004, brought together Governor appointed senior leadership teams seeking to raise the visibility of the issue among State leaders and secure commitments to action. The forum was used to provide technical assistance, as well as to recognize those States that have already taken significant steps to improve human service transportation services.
- *State Coordination Grants.* States participating in the United We Ride National Leadership Forum will be eligible to submit an application for State Coordination Grants, to address gaps and needs related to human service transportation in their geographic regions.
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