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**SECRETARY PEÑA ANNOUNCES  
AWARD OF \$1.2 BILLION  
IN MASS TRANSIT GRANTS**

Seeking to boost the economy and create jobs, Secretary of Transportation Federico Peña today announced that the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) will award 169 grants totaling \$1.2 billion to support public transit programs in 40 states, the District of Columbia and the Virgin Islands.

"These funds will help communities in all regions of our country make important investments in our nation's transportation infrastructure," Peña said. "The projects include all forms of public transit, from expanded commuter rail service in Boston, to the construction of a bus maintenance facility in New Orleans, and a new ferryboat for Vallejo, Calif.

"From New York City to Corpus Christi, Texas and on to Los Angeles, these funds will help reduce motor vehicle congestion, improve the quality of the air we breathe and support jobs," Peña said.

Peña noted that the president's short term investment package includes additional funding for transit authorities nationwide. "The president's plan would invest \$752 million in communities across the nation to quickly create jobs and support needed transit projects," the secretary said.

Since becoming Secretary at the Department of Transportation, Peña has emphasized that DOT and FTA will work closely with local transit authorities to ensure that any additional transit funding can be fully utilized to create jobs and make needed transit improvements. Peña said, "I want to assure state and local officials that DOT will continue to cooperate with regional transit authorities so that funds will be distributed in a timely manner."

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FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION  
STATE-BY-STATE LIST OF TOTAL FUNDING

ARKANSAS	\$ 1,531,128
CALIFORNIA	258,285,789
COLORADO	26,125,120
CONNECTICUT	18,686,359
DIST. OF COLUMBIA	16,070,000
DELAWARE	42,592
FLORIDA	14,634,831
GEORGIA	466,832
HAWAII	36,052,681
IOWA	1,564,488
IDAHO	1,411,697
ILLINOIS	207,831,218
INDIANA	4,549,956
KANSAS	4,777,883
KENTUCKY	17,519,817
LOUISIANA	6,124,959
MASSACHUSETTS	118,609,840
MARYLAND	12,657,589
MAINE	65,000
MICHIGAN	10,471,027
MINNESOTA	6,241,857
MISSOURI	12,985,322
NORTH DAKOTA	1,102,100
NEBRASKA	4,432,129
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1,027,958
NEW JERSEY	4,754,318
NEW MEXICO	511,015
NEW YORK	254,242,185
OHIO	14,492,043
OREGON	4,388,378
PENNSYLVANIA	13,178,156
RHODE ISLAND	360,000
SOUTH DAKOTA	837,715
TENNESSEE	267,000
TEXAS	57,969,982
UTAH	8,686,005
VIRGINIA	320,000
VIRGIN ISLANDS	5,212,828
WASHINGTON	44,840,695
WISCONSIN	19,123,191
WEST VIRGINIA	1,423,987
WYOMING	<u>100,804</u>

\$1,216,018,304

NOTE TO EDITORS: A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF A PARTICULAR GRANT AND THE AMOUNT AWARDED MAY BE OBTAINED BY CALLING FTA'S PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE, (202) 366-4043.

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