

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Nonprofit Organizations Submitting an LOI  
for Transportation Funding

FROM: Grants and Programs Committee of The Dayton Foundation

SUBJECT: Additional Requirement for LOI Submission

DATE: November 10, 2009

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At its meeting on November 10, 2009, the Grants and Programs Committee of The Dayton Foundation created a policy for nonprofit organizations that submit Letters of Intent (LOI) for the purchase of vans, buses and vehicles.

The Committee requests that organizations that apply for vans, buses, or other vehicles should demonstrate in their LOIs, or as an addendum, that they have thoroughly researched and exhausted all other existing community transportation options for their clients.

Possible community resources may include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Participation in the “Transportation Coordination Council” (managed by RTA) which brokers and coordinates trips.
2. MVRPC dollars designated for nonprofit transportation for the elderly and persons with disabilities.
3. RTA donates used vehicles (12 last year) and has an application process.
4. RTA offers a “Travel Training Program” for riders who may be unfamiliar with navigating bus transportation. (Also offers a brochure in Spanish about using the RTA system.)

Please describe in detail in the Letter of Intent the resources or transportation options explored by your organization along with the rationale for the proposed transportation project. For additional information or questions, please contact Tania Arseculeratne at [tarseculeratne@daytonfoundation.org](mailto:tarseculeratne@daytonfoundation.org) or (937) 225-9966.