

## FUNDING FOR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS

Currently, 47 public transportation systems operate in North Dakota. See Appendix A for a listing of the programs across the state.

Major sources of funding for these programs include federal funds, state public transportation funds, city or county mill levy revenues, fees, and donations.

The state provides public transportation aid to these programs from funds generated from a \$1 fee on motor vehicle registrations. This fee generates approximately \$725,000 per year. These public transportation funds are disbursed annually based on a formula included in North Dakota Century Code Section 39-04.2-04. The formula provides that transportation providers in each county are entitled to receive up to \$6,100 plus a per capita amount determined by the director of the Department of Transportation based on the population in the county. If more than one transportation provider operates in a single county, the formula-generated amount must be divided among the providers. If no transportation provider is operating in a county, no funding is provided to that county.

Sources of federal funds distributed to public transportation providers include urban transit grants and rural transit grants. Bismarck, Fargo, and Grand Forks are eligible to receive urban transit grants while

other areas of the state are eligible for rural transit grants. As a result, Bismarck, Fargo, and Grand Forks receive their federal transit funds directly from the federal government while other areas of the state receive their federal funds through the Department of Transportation. The federal funds distributed by the state are allocated to individual programs based on need, ridership, geographic size, and funding history.

The federal funds require a 50 percent state or local match if used for operating and a 20 percent match if used for capital equipment purchases. The state funds do not require any local match but may be used by the provider as a match for the federal funds.

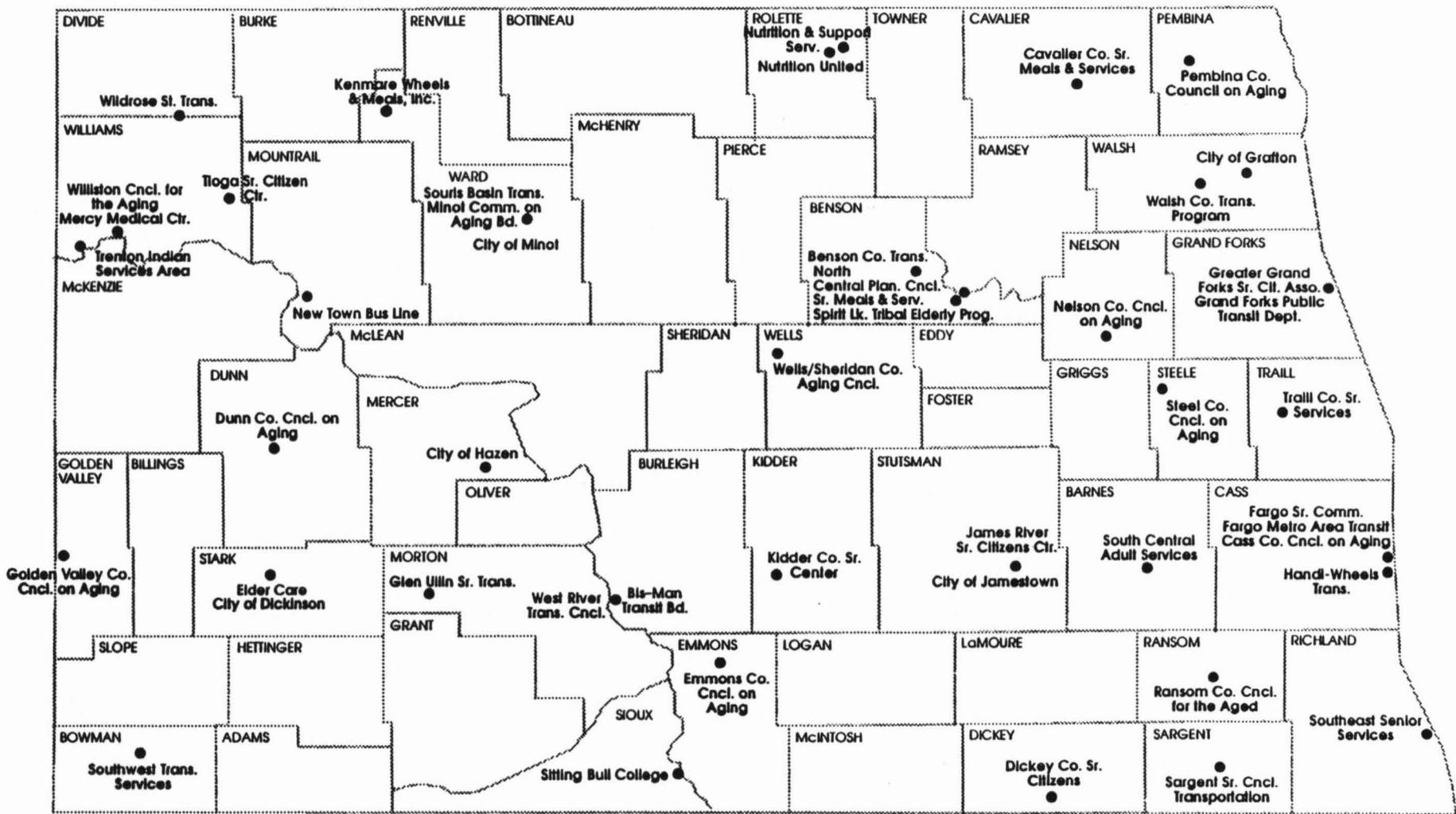
See Appendix B for a listing of federal and state funds distributed to the transportation providers in fiscal years 1997 and 1998.

Under the new federal highway bill, a substantial increase is expected in public transit funds. The schedule below presents an estimate of federal highway transit funds that may be available for distribution to North Dakota public transportation providers under the new federal highway bill. The amounts are based on the percentage increases in national funding totals under the new federal highway bill. The allocations may vary for individual states, therefore, these amounts should be considered rough estimates of the amounts North Dakota may receive.

Fiscal Year	Bismarck, Grand Forks, Fargo	Percent Change	Rural	Percent Change
1998	1,750,190		554,818	
1999	2,054,723	17.4%	735,689	32.6%
2000	2,225,265	8.3%	800,430	8.8%
2001	2,396,610	7.7%	865,264	8.1%
2002	2,566,769	7.1%	930,159	7.5%
2003	2,738,743	6.7%	995,270	7.0%

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# PUBLIC TRANSIT PROJECTS IN NORTH DAKOTA 1997



- Transit Project Administrative Offices
- Counties

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**LIST OF CURRENT RECIPIENTS OF  
STATE AND FEDERAL PUBLIC TRANSIT FUNDS  
(July 1996 – June 1997)**

Proj. Sub	Transit Project Name	State Aid Funds	Federal Transit Funds
1.	Benson County Transportation, Maddock	\$ 6,266	\$ 3,200
2.	Bis-Man Transit Board, Bismarck	59,243	413,373
3.	Cass County Council on Aging, Fargo	2,225	6,400
4.	Cavalier County Senior Meals and Services, Langdon	10,224	4,700
5.	Dickey County Senior Citizens, Ellendale	10,253	8,050
6.	Dunn County Council on Aging, Killdeer	8,823	
7.	Elder Care, Dickinson	21,626	35,300
8.	Emmons County Council on Aging, Braddock	9,384	6,450
9.	Fargo Metropolitan Area Transit, Fargo	55,109	597,844
10.	Fargo Senior Commission, Inc., Fargo	14,257	
11.	Handi-Wheels Transportation, Fargo	4,463	
12.	Glen Ullin Senior Transportation, Glen Ullin	2,260	
13.	Golden Valley County Council on Aging, Beach	14,386	4,600
14.	City of Grafton, Grafton	3,050	6,400
15.	Grand Forks Public Transit Department, Grand Forks	45,635	422,327
16.	Greater Grand Forks Senior Citizens Assoc., Grand Forks	8,529	
17.	City of Hazen, Hazen	6,265	
18.	City of Jamestown, Jamestown	3,201	5,600
19.	James River Senior Citizens Center, Jamestown	35,672	41,500
20.	Kenmare Wheels and Meals, Inc., Kenmare	3,691	
21.	Kidder County Senior Services, Steele	8,366	6,500
22.	Mercy Medical Center, Williston	2,301	9,000
23.	City of Minot, Minot	22,439	85,000
24.	Minot Commission on Aging, Minot	17,122	16,700
25.	Nelson County Council on Aging, McVie	9,099	7,650
26.	North Central Planning Council, Devils Lake	3,050	14,600
27.	Nutrition and Support Services, Belcourt	3,866	
28.	Nutrition United, Inc., Rolla	10,919	3,050
29.	Pembina County Meals and Transportation, Drayton	12,382	8,000
30.	Ransom County Council for the Aged, Lisbon	10,126	5,400
31.	Sargent Senior Council Transportation, Forman	9,193	5,100
32.	Senior Meals and Services, Devils Lake	28,346	10,550
33.	Souris Basin Transportation, Minot	57,817	155,561
34.	South Central Adult Services Council, Valley City	58,415	23,300
35.	Southwest Transportation Services, Bowman	31,963	15,150
36.	Sitting Bull College, Fort Yates	8,658	17,950
37.	Steele County Council on Aging, Sharon	7,746	6,100
38.	Three Affiliated Tribes Aging Services, New Town	6,424	
39.	Tioga Senior Citizen Center, Tioga	1,755	
40.	Traill County Senior Services, Mayville	12,051	
41.	Trenton Indian Services Area, Trenton	5,562	8,800
42.	Spirit Lake Tribal Elder Program, Fort Totten	4,729	4,300
43.	Walsh County Transportation Program, Park River	12,461	6,500
44.	West River Transportation Council, Bismarck	40,528	38,406
45.	Wildrose Senior Transportation, Wildrose	8,071	
46.	Williston Council for the Aging, Williston	21,290	
47.	Southeast Senior Services, Wahpeton	18,441	
TOTAL		\$757,682	\$2,003,361

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STATE AND FED. FUNDS FOR PUBLIC TRANSIT  
North Dakota Dept. Of Transportation  
(July 1997 - June 1998)

Proj. Sub	Project	State Aid Funding	Sec. 18 Federal Funding
1.	Benson County Transport., Maddock	\$ 6,154	\$ 3,350
2.	Bis-Man Transit, Bismarck	53,727	504,681
3.	Cass County Council on Aging, Hunter	2,159	6,670
4.	Cavalier Co. Sr. Meals & Servs., Langdon	9,835	4,895
5.	Dickey County Senior Citizens, Ellendale	9,862	8,400
6.	Dunn County Council on Aging, Killdeer	8,567	
7.	Elder Care, Dickinson	20,165	36,830
8.	Emmons County Council on Aging, Braddock	9,075	6,720
9.	Fargo Metropolitan Area Transit, Fargo	50,129	729,898
10.	Fargo Senior Commission, Inc., Fargo	13,502	
11.	Handi-Wheels Transportation, Fargo	3,680	
12.	Glen Ullin Senior Transportation, Glen Ullin	2,311	
13.	Golden Valley (& Billings) County Council On Aging, Beach	14,182	4,815
14.	City of Grafton	3,050	7,670
15.	Grand Forks Public Transit Dept.	42,019	515,611
16.	The Greater Grand Forks Sen. Citiz. Assoc.	7,622	
17.	City of Hazen	6,017	
18.	City of Jamestown	3,187	5,840
19.	James River Senior Citiz. Center, Jamestown	33,749	48,275
20.	Kenmare Wheels and Meals, Inc., Kenmare	3,523	
21.	Kidder County Senior Services, Steele	8,153	6,785
22.	Mercy Medical Center, Williston	2,696	9,390
23.	City of Minot	21,256	88,150
24.	Minot Commission on Aging, Minot	14,940	17,420
25.	Nelson County Council on Aging, McVille	8,817	7,990
26.	North Central Plan. Council, Devils Lake	3,050	15,205
27.	Nutrition And Support Services, Belcourt	3,766	
28.	Nutrition United, Inc., Rolla	10,202	3,190
29.	Pembina County Transportation, Cavalier	11,791	8,345
30.	Ransom County Council for the Aged, Lisbon	9,747	5,640
31.	Sargent Sr. Council Transportation, Forman	8,902	5,320
32.	Senior Meals and Services, Devils Lake	27,114	11,000
33.	Souris Basin Transportation, Minot	60,041	111,278
34.	South Cent. Senior Serv. Cncl, Valley City	56,364	24,290
35.	Southeast Senior Services, Wahpeton, N.D.	17,279	
36.	Southwest Senior Services, Bowman	31,251	15,795
37.	Sitting Bull College, Fort Yates	8,417	18,730
38.	Steele County Council on Aging, Sharon	7,591	6,370
39.	Three Affil. Tribes, Aging Serv., New Town	6,412	
40.	Tioga Senior Citizen Center, Tioga	1,824	
41.	Traill County Senior Services, Mayville	11,491	
42.	Trenton Indian Service Area, Trenton	6,432	9,180
43.	Spirit Lake Tribe Senior Serv., Ft. Totten	4,380	4,485
44.	Walsh County Transport. Program, Park River	11,575	6,780
45.	West River Transportation, Bismarck	39,207	40,010
46.	Wildrose Senior Transportation, Wildrose	3,397	
47.	Williston Council for the Aging, Williston	18,195	6,000
	Totals	\$ 716,805	\$ 2,305,008