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*Attachment: UPWP Amendment 2 Packet*

### **Amendment Number Two to the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP).**

The work program is a listing of work to be undertaken by the OTO for the 2017 fiscal year which runs from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

The OTO has become eligible for a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant through MoDOT to conduct an update of the Human Service Transportation Coordination Plan. The OTO has requested \$15,420 in grant funding. The following work element has been added to Task 5 of the UPWP to incorporate the new MoDOT grant.

#### **Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan**

- Conduct an assessment of Human Service Transit services available in the area.
- Conduct an assessment of transportation needs for people with low incomes.
- Conduct the public participation for the development of the plan.
- Update the current Transit Coordination Plan for FAST Act Compliance.

The new grant budget breakdown has been added as Appendix C.

**The public comment period will continue until December 15, 2016.** After reviewing recommendations and public comments, the OTO Board of Directors will decide whether to formally adopt the amendment **at its regularly scheduled meeting on December 15, 2016, at noon**, at 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, MO.

The amendment will be available for review at the Ozarks Transportation Organization offices and at [ozarkstransportation.org](http://ozarkstransportation.org). Comments may be submitted in writing to Ozarks Transportation Organization, 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, Springfield, Missouri 65807, on the OTO public input website [Giveyourinput.org](http://Giveyourinput.org), emailed to [comment@ozarkstransportation.org](mailto:comment@ozarkstransportation.org), or faxed to 417-862-6013. The Amendment packet is also attached in this email press release.

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