

**Transit Professional Development
FY 2008/2009 Approved Grants**

CT District	Grant Applicant/ <i>Sub-recipient</i>	Project Title	County	Project Description	Grant Amount
3	Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG)	SACOG Transit Planning Internship	Sacramento	SACOG will hire an intern at the Graduate Student level to assist the Transit Team for a period of one year for 20-plus hours per week. The Professional Development program will allow SACOG staff to pass valuable planning techniques to an intern while utilizing the team skills associated with internships to improve the coordination of transit planning activities. The intern will have a discrete set of tasks with clearly defined work-products. The intern will increase the efficiency of the Unmet Transit Needs Public Hearing Process by freeing mid-level staff to assume a management level of the process; allow for the complete analysis of the 2006 SACOG On-Board Transit Survey Data that will be used by transit operators in their short and long-range service planning efforts; and, foster the compliance with Transportation Development Act requirements to monitor transit operating statistics.	\$12,750
3	Sacramento Area Council of Governments/ <i>Sacramento Regional Transit District (RT)</i>	Professional Development Program	Sacramento	The grant will provide training to prepare RT staff to comment on a holistic basis, from both land-use and transportation planning perspectives, to future development reviews and general plans. This proposal is intended to provide coordinated, parallel training to two individuals in RT Long Range Planning. Staff will complete Urban Land Institute courses, Caltrans and California State University, Sacramento, planning and project management programs, and online courses in Geographic Information Systems and planning. The staff receiving training in this program will be relied upon to lead the RT effort to implement the recommendations of the Transit Master Plan, which will be completed in mid-2009.	\$38,133

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3	Sacramento Area Council of Governments/ <i>Yolo County Transportation District</i>	Service Implementation Training	Yolo, Sacramento	Grant funding will provide training and peer exposure for the professional development of transit planning staff in service implementation. Current staff would seek outside training through the American Public Transit Association, Caltrans, and the University of California, and attend workshops and seminars in service implementation. The training will include both the lessons learned by other agencies and the developed resolutions in successful service implementation. The training will also encourage the participants to think outside the box to develop a road map for how to establish high ridership on new transit service form day one.	\$35,412
6	Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG)/ <i>City of Fresno</i>	Central Valley Transit Professional Development	Fresno	The project will consist of three workshops in Fresno presented by worldwide experts in developing Transit Oriented Development. The workshops will provide transit planners and the development industry from the Central San Joaquin Valley (Valley) with guideline processes from concept to end. These trainings will develop a comprehensive region-wide approach to facilitate mainstream adoption and provide a model for other regions. Fresno COG, the City of Fresno and other transportation and development agencies will work together to develop and coordinate the training workshops.	\$50,000

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8	Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG)/SunLine Transit Agency (SunLine)	SunLine Transit Professional Development Program	Riverside	SCAG and SunLine propose to implement a Transit Professional Development Program for transit planning staff at SunLine, which is the regional transit provider for the Coachella Valley. The program is designed to provide the transit planning staff with the opportunity to attend transit planning workshops and accredited programs throughout California to gain more knowledge in the industry. Workshops include Transit and Paratransit Management Certificate Program; Introduction to Transit Operations Planning; Managing Transportation and Land Use Interactions; Geographic Information Systems Certificate Program; and, Computer-Aided Drafting and Design Certificate Program. Each workshop and certificate program selected is intended to address the need for more improvement and to increase staff skill sets. The Director of Planning will develop and oversee all assignments to ensure the outcome is demonstrated through better designed routes that will help increase ridership.	\$30,250
Total Transit Professional Development:					\$166,545