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## CCRTA to Receive \$5.88M in Federal Funding for Low-Emission Buses and Workforce Development

(*Corpus Christi, Texas*) – The U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has announced approximately \$1.5 billion in competitive funding to support 117 projects to improve public transportation in 47 states.

Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) has been announced as a recipient of \$5.88 million dollars to replace its aging diesel fleet with eight low-emission compressed natural gas buses (CNG) that will operate in historically disadvantaged areas with high ridership. The project will also provide workforce development training, enabling CCRTA to build an enduring fleet of drivers that can serve generations of customers.

"FTA has announced that CCRTA will receive federal funding to support public transportation in the Corpus Christi region. This \$5.8 million investment will enhance CCRTA's infrastructure, enhance skillsets of our employees, and support economic growth through transportation. I would like to thank our Board of Directors and the Federal Transit Administration for their support in our efforts," stated Derrick Majchszak, CCRTA Chief Executive Officer.

CCRTA was one of two transportation authorities in the state of Texas <u>announced</u> to receive competitive funding. Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) also received funding on behalf of 30 regional transportation districts.

"CCRTA's Board of Directors are appreciative of the FTA, the numerous political stakeholders involved, and our community partners that have helped us to receive funding. We're excited to continue to work towards fulfilling our mission of providing our riders with safe, accessible, convenient, and sustainable transportation solutions," stated CCRTA Board Chair Arthur Granado.

According to FTA, the Administration prioritized awards that will help strengthen U.S. bus manufacturing, stabilize the cost of new buses, and accelerate the delivery of new vehicles.

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About Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority: Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) was created by the people in 1986 to provide our riders with safe, accessible, convenient, and sustainable transportation solutions that unite communities and promote local economic growth. CCRTA covers 846 square miles of service and 3.2 million passenger trips annually through approximately 33 fixed-routes, B-Line Paratransit, and other services. For more info, visit ccrta.org.