

**Copy of Text for Senator Brownback**

- 1) Organization making request

**City of Lawrence, KS**

- 2) Address

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- 3) Point of Contact

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- 7) Name of Project

**City of Lawrence, KS Transit System – Coordinated Service Technologies**

- 8) Applicable Appropriations Bill for Request

**Transportation HUD**

- 9) Applicable Account for Request

**FTA – Bus Grants**

- 10) Funding Amount Requested

**\$1,800,000**

- 11) Description of the Project

**Public Transportation is a vital service to our community. It provides people with an affordable method to travel through Lawrence to**

employment, education opportunities, health care facilities and shopping. As part of our ongoing efforts to coordinate service with the University of Kansas this technology will be implemented on both the city and the university fleets. The system would include automatic passenger counting; audio and electronic displays of next bus stops to aid passengers (especially those that are visually and hearing impaired) in using the system; real-time boarding information for service planning; email and blackberry-style information services for riders; computerized trip planning for riders; real-time bus arrival information at key stops; and communication devices for both vehicles and base stations.

These technologies and the improved communications they provide will greatly aid our ability to manage the resources of both systems while eliminating current communications barriers.

Federal funding for this project will stretch federal funding money further for the community because it addresses needs for the City of Lawrence as well as the University of Kansas. An agreement was reached between the City and the university to allow easier access to both bus systems. KU students, faculty and staff can ride the City of Lawrence's T fixed-route service free by showing a valid KU Card. Riders who show a valid T bus pass or transfer slip can ride the KU on Wheels buses for free. This is important for both the long term resident of the community and the temporary residents that are attending the University of Kansas.

12)City or County Project will Benefit

**City of Lawrence, KS**

13)Bill Language Requested

**City of Lawrence, KS Transit System – Coordinated Service Technologies - \$1,800,000**

14)Report Language Requested

**None**

15)Amount for this Project Requested by the President in his FY 2011 Budget

**None**

16)FY 2010 Funding Level in an Appropriations Bill

**None**

17)FY 2009 Funding Level in an Appropriations Bill

**FTA Section 5309 - \$950,000**

18)FY 2008 Funding Level in an Appropriations Bill

**JARC - \$496,818**

**FTA Section 5309 - \$147,000**

19)Matching Funds Provided by the State of Kansas, Local Governments, and/or private Foundations or Individuals

**The City of Lawrence, in conjunction with the University of Kansas, is prepared to provide \$360,000 (20%) local match required for the project.**

20)Please provide an estimate, to the best of your ability, how many jobs this project will create should it receive funding

**There is no data available to support the creations of job(s).**

21)Please provide, to the best of your ability, an estimate of the percentage of work to be performed and the percentage of money to be spent in Kansas

**100%**

22)Please provide application background information on the organization making the request

**The City of Lawrence is a municipality.**

23) Additional Comments