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May 10, 2022

Administrator Nuria Fernandez
Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Administrator Fernandez,

On behalf of the City of Oxford, I would like to express my strong commitment for the grant application submitted by Butler County Regional Transit Authority (BCRTA) for the FY 2022 Sec. 5339 (b) "Buses and Bus Facilities" program. The additional grant will allow BCRTA and its partner Miami University to complete the development of a multimodal facility on campus in Oxford that will improve regional transportation infrastructure and facilitate the development of low-cost transportation options, as well as aid economic development in the region.

The multimodal facility will support an expansion of BCRTA's regional presence. Providing increased regional access to Miami University strengthens the local Oxford community and provides transformational opportunities for employment and education in the surrounding area. In addition, the project will increase the environmental sustainability of local transit options, improve safety, and contribute to BCRTA's efforts to maintain the agency's bus fleet.

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The Oxford City Council goals include many policies and programs aimed at environmental sustainability, economic growth, and equitable opportunity. The BCRTA multimodal transit hub is the perfect embodiment of these goals. By efficiently connecting Oxford to all of Butler County this new conduit for business and recreational travel would help make Oxford an even more desired and accessible place to live, work, and pursue education.

I strongly urge the Department of Transportation to give this application full and fair considering and ask that you please keep my office informed on the status of the application. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jessica Greene
Assistant City Manager

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United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510 - 3505

May 19, 2022

Administrator Nuria Fernandez
Federal Transit Administration
U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Administrator Fernandez,

I write to draw your attention to the grant submission by the Butler County Regional Transit Authority (BCRTA) in partnership with Miami University for the Oxford Multi-Modal Facility Project in the FY 22 Bus and Bus Facility Grant Program.

Miami University enrolls over 19,000 students and contains over 500 staff members. However, this area still does not have a reliable transportation system for these students and administration to rely on.

The Bus and Bus facility grant will allow BCRTA and its partner Miami University to complete the development of a multimodal facility on campus that will improve regional transportation infrastructure and facilitate the development of low-cost transportation options, as well as aid economic development in the region. This will help those within the campus and residents within the community to have more reliable and accessible transportation choices available.

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The Oxford Multi-Modal Facility Project is consistent with the importance of investing in modern and accessible public transportation for all residents. I ask that the BCRTA's application be given full and fair consideration for funding in 2022.

Sincerely,



Sherrod Brown
United States Senator

May 17, 2022

Administrator Nuria Fernandez
Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Administrator Fernandez,

On behalf of the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI), I am writing to express its support for the grant application submitted by Butler County Regional Transit Authority (BCRTA) for the FY 2022 Sec. 5339 (b) "Buses and Bus Facilities" program. The additional funding from this grant will allow BCRTA and its partner, Miami University, to complete the development of a multimodal facility on the University's campus in Oxford, Ohio. This facility will improve regional transportation infrastructure, facilitate the development of low-cost transportation options and advance economic development in the region.

The multimodal facility will support the expansion of BCRTA's regional presence, providing increased regional access to Miami University, strengthening the local Oxford community and providing transformational opportunities for employment and education in the surrounding area. In addition, the project will increase the environmental sustainability of local transit options, improve safety and contribute to BCRTA's efforts to maintain the agency's bus fleet.

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As the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Cincinnati region, OKI is a strong partner to BCRTA in their goal of expanding regional transit access in Butler County. This project will accomplish that goal by increasing service to an area with enormous potential. OKI has identified this project as important to the region and has provided funding to the bus portion of the facility.

I strongly urge the Department of Transportation to give this application full and fair consideration and ask that you please keep my office informed on the status of the application. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Mark R. Policinski
CEO/Executive Director

Commissioner David L. Painter
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May 10, 2022

Administrator Nuria Fernandez
Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
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Dear Administrator Fernandez,

On behalf of Cincinnati USA Regional Chamber I would like to express my strong support for the grant application submitted by Butler County Regional Transit Authority (BCRTA) for the FY 2022 Sec. 5339 (b) "Buses and Bus Facilities" program. The additional grant will allow BCRTA and its partner Miami University to complete the development of a multimodal facility on campus in Oxford that will improve regional transportation infrastructure and facilitate the development of low-cost transportation options, as well as aid economic development in the region.

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The Chamber has worked closely with our transit partners and the broader community to craft The Connected Region, a vision for the future of mobility in our region. We are supportive of the below projects because they fit squarely into that vision by investing in the future of public transit and driving innovation.

I strongly urge the Department of Transportation to give this application full and fair considering and ask that you please keep my office informed on the status of the application. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Pete Metz
Director, The Connected Region

Committees:

Armed Services and Veterans Affairs
Committee
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Committee
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Committee



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**Representative Jennifer Gross
The Ohio House of Representatives**

May 19th, 2022

Administrator Nuria Fernandez
Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
Washington, D.C. 20590

Dear Administrator Fernandez:

I offer this letter of recommendation in support of the **Buses and Bus Facilities program** grant application submitted by the Butler County Regional Transit Authority (BCRTA) in collaboration with its partner, Miami University.

As BCRTA resides in my Ohio House district, I support their work and contributions to our community. BCRTA's representatives briefed me on their general qualifications. BCRTA also provided me with an overview of their work regarding the **Buses and Bus Facilities program**. It is my understanding that BCRTA, if successful in their application, plans to use these funds to further their work on the **Buses and Bus Facilities program**.

Business, transportation, political, civic and community leaders have come together to ensure the **Buses and Bus Facilities program** is successful. For these reasons, I respectfully request your full and fair consideration to support BCRTA's application for the **Buses and Bus Facilities program** funding request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Gross".

Jennifer Gross
State Representative
52nd Ohio House District



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May 16, 2022

Administrator Nuria Fernandez
Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
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Dear Administrator Fernandez,

On behalf of Miami University I would like to express my strong commitment for the grant application submitted by Butler County Regional Transit Authority (BCRTA) for the FY 2022 Sec. 5339 (b) "Buses and Bus Facilities" program. The additional grant will allow BCRTA and its partner Miami University to complete the development of a multimodal facility on campus in Oxford that will improve regional transportation infrastructure and facilitate the development of low-cost transportation options, as well as aid economic development in the region.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'David K. Creamer'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large 'D' and 'C'.

David K. Creamer



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May 13, 2022

Administrator Nuria Fernandez
Federal Transit Administration
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE
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Dear Administrator Fernandez,

On behalf of Supports to Encourage Low-income Families (SELF) I would like to express my strong commitment for the grant application submitted by Butler County Regional Transit Authority (BCRTA) for the FY 2022 Sec. 5339 (b) "Buses and Bus Facilities" program. The additional grant will allow BCRTA and its partner Miami University to complete the development of a multimodal facility on campus in Oxford that will improve regional transportation infrastructure and facilitate the development of low-cost transportation options, as well as aid economic development in the region.

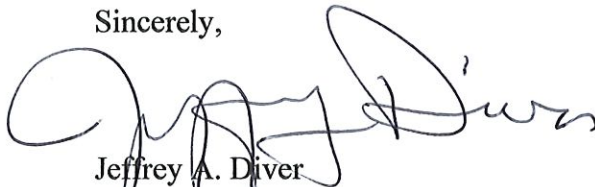
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SELF is Butler County's state-designated Community Action Agency, serving more than 6,000 families annually. Many of our clients rely on public transportation for employment, medical and other daily needs. This type of project will help to advance transportation in our county.

I strongly urge the Department of Transportation to give this application full and fair considering and ask that you please keep my office informed on the status of the application. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey A. Diver
Executive Director

51st House District

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-Behavioral Health & Recovery Supports (Chair)-
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-Early Childhood Advisory Council-
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May 11, 2022

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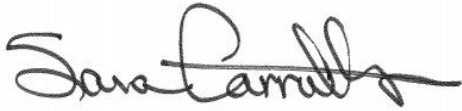
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Sincerely,

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Sara P. Carruthers
51st Ohio House District



SENATOR STEVE WILSON
Ohio's 7th Senate District

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Energy and Public Utilities
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Sincerely,

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State Senator

Ohio 7th District