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**CCRTA to Receive \$7.2M Federal Grant for Transportation System**

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – The Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) was awarded a \$7,231,023 federal grant, Grant 5339(b), to improve their buses and bus facilities, announced U.S. Senator John Cornyn’s office.

The competitive grant submitted by the CCRTA will fund the Port Ayers Transfer Station, two (2) transit stops at Del Mar College Southside’s campus, and the reconstruction of the CCRTA Operations Center’s parking lots.

This is the first competitive grant that the organization has ever received. “This grant will not only change the landscape of Corpus Christi, but will significantly impact the quality of public transportation for our veterans, individuals with disabilities, and students, for generations to come,” stated Jorge Cruz-Aedo, CCRTA Chief Executive officer.

“This was a critical step moving forward to improving transit mobility in the region and bringing our infrastructure up to date. We want to thank the work that our regional and national political leaders did to advance our application for these projects with the Federal Transit Administration, including: U.S. Senator John Cornyn, U.S. Representative Michael Cloud, U.S. Representative Henry Cuellar, U.S. Representative Vicente Gonzalez, U.S. Representative Filemon Vela, and Texas Senator Juan “Chuy” Hinojosa. We’d are also grateful for the support from our regional community leaders and South Texas delegates,” said Eddie Martinez, CCRTA Board of Directors Chair.

The state of Texas received \$21 million dollars, with the Texas Department of Transportation receiving the remaining \$13.8 million dollars on behalf of rural transit.

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***About the Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority:** The Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority was created by the people in 1986 to provide quality transportation and enhance the regional economy in a responsible manner consistent with its financial resources and the diverse needs of the people. The CCRTA covers 841 square miles of service and just over five million passenger trips annually with 48 fixed routes, paratransit, and van pool services. Visit our website at <http://www.ccrta.org>.*