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Lorain County Transit Awarded \$100,000

(Lorain County, Ohio) Today, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) announced the Lorain County Board of Commissioners will be awarded \$100,000 to develop a plan to evaluate current services, funding and operational model and give recommendations on ways of developing additional market-based, sustainable revenue streams strengthening linkages between employees and employers.

The Lorain County Board of Commissioners submitted an application to NOACA for funding through the Transportation for Livable Communities Initiative on January 29, 2016.

According to Commissioner Matt Lundy, "Transit is about Jobs. This grant puts us on the path to plan for an effective system to help grow our local economy." Commissioner Ted Kalo adds, "Transit is critical to our economic future. The business community is pushing for more transit. This plan will be a valuable roadmap."

Lorain County Commissioner Lori Kokoski adds, "A sustainable public transportation system is key to linking opportunities of businesses and job seekers, creating wealth and future growth for everyone".

The goals for the Lorain County Transit Plan and access to jobs will:

- **Reduce costs** for businesses to maintain employees
- **Improve neighborhoods** by reducing economic isolation
- **Increased income** will be used to support local businesses

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