

<b>UTC Project Information</b>	
Project Title	Enhancing Transit Service in Rural Areas and Native American Tribal Communities: Potential Mechanisms to Improve Funding and Service (Former title: Enhancing Transit Service in Rural Areas and Native American Tribal Communities)
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Brief Description of Research Project	<p>Primary funding for rural transit comes from federal and state Departments of Transportation (DOTs). However, through numerous surveys, rural transit providers have cited financial constraints as a major limitation to providing adequate desired transit services, meaning that these traditional DOT funds are not sufficient for funding rural transit. Consequently, transit planners and providers must pursue additional funding beyond these traditional programs before they can meet and satisfy the transit demand.</p> <p>To that end, the primary objective of this study was to identify and document current non-DOT (i.e., non-traditional) funding programs that rural transit providers and planners could pursue and acquire to close that funding gap and enable them to meet the transit demand.</p>

Describe Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented)	<p>A meeting with the relevant office in the Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) was made. They were encouraged to use the information to pursue additional funding so they can be able to meet the transit needs of their communities.</p> <p>Kaseko, Mahomed. "Transit Services in Rural and Native American Tribal Communities." Presentation at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Transportation Conference, Las Vegas, NV, October 10, 2012.</p>
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Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual, not anticipated)	Enhancing the accessibility and mobility of communities in rural areas and native American tribal communities
Web Links <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports</li> <li>• Project Website</li> </ul>	Final report (MNTRC Website): <a href="http://transweb.sjsu.edu/project/1147.html">http://transweb.sjsu.edu/project/1147.html</a>