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Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada Receives \$2.7 Million Grant *Grant to Fund New Transit Center on the UNLV Campus*

The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) of Southern Nevada received \$2.7 million grant to build a new transit center on the campus of the University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV). Funding is being provided by the U.S. Department of Transportation and Federal Transit Administration's Bus and Bus Livability Grant Program. The grant program awarded a total of \$163 million to 47 projects nationwide.

The RTC identified UNLV as an ideal location for a transit center. Several RTC Transit routes currently serve the campus, though the routes currently stop at various places on the exterior of the campus, creating long walks for students, faculty and visitors. In the future, the UNLV Multimodal Transit Center will allow riders to connect to several different transit routes that serve the campus from a single location.

"The facility will be served by some of the busiest routes in the RTC's transit system, providing a convenient way for riders to access the routes that best meet their transportation needs," said RTC General Manager Jacob Snow.

The RTC will develop the design of the center in cooperation with UNLV. The transit center will be located west of Maryland Parkway on University Road. Construction may begin in 2011.

"This new all-in-one location will make it even more convenient for UNLV students and staff to commute to class or leave their car at home and take transit to a Rebel game at the Thomas and Mack or a special event on campus. And for those in our community who take RTC transit to work or to visit family and friends, this is one more needed addition to the growing network of transportation options available to Southern Nevada residents and visitors," said Congresswoman Shelley Berkley. "Transit is convenient, affordable and helps to reduce congestion and protect air quality and I will continue to support additional investments in the Valley's public transportation network."

"The new transit hub at UNLV will complement current transit services by helping Southern Nevada students get to class and workers get to their jobs," Congresswoman Dina Titus said. "I applaud the RTC and UNLV for their commitment to improving the livability of our community through investing in transit, a commitment I have long shared."

The RTC is the transit authority, transportation planning agency and regional traffic management agency for Southern Nevada. The RTC's vision is to provide a safe, convenient and effective regional transportation system that enhances mobility and air quality for citizens and visitors. The RTC encourages residents and visitors to use alternate commute modes to help reduce traffic congestion, clean the air and improve the quality of life in Southern Nevada. For more information, visit rtcsonv.com.

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