Survey of Unmet Transportation Needs

We are conducting a survey of human service agencies and the general public regarding unmet transportation needs for Davie, Stokes, Surry and Yadkin Counties. Please reply as soon as possible with your assessment of unmet transportation needs that could be provided with ROAP funds. You may include your contact information or complete the survey anonymously if you choose.

The Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) is a state funded public transportation grant program administered by the North Carolina Department of Transportation Public Transportation Division (NCDOT-PTD). ROAP includes the following programs:

- Elderly and Disabled Transportation Assistance Program (EDTAP) provides operating assistance funds for the transportation of the state's elderly and disabled citizens. This transportation assistance allows the elderly and disabled to reside for a longer period in their homes, thereby enhancing their quality of life.
- Employment Transportation Assistance Program (EMPL)) is intended to help DSS clients that transitioned off Work First or TANF in the last 12 months, Workforce Development Program participants and/or the general public to travel to work, employment training and/or other employment related destinations
- **Rural General Public** (RGP) **Program** assistance funds are intended to provide transportation services for individuals from the county who do NOT have a human service agency or organization that will pay for the transportation service.

It is the intent of the program that these funds will be used to provide transportation when other funding sources are not available.

What unmet transportation needs do you think should be provided using the funds described above? Days service provided? Destination? Type of trips?
Do you think the grant funds should be prioritized to provide transportation to critical medical services first? What about non-medical trips such as shopping?
Should use of these funds be restricted for trips to in-county destinations only?
Should applicant income limits such as the poverty guideline be considered in the eligibility process?
Additional thoughts?

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