

Community Based Transportation Planning Grants

Feasibility Study to Enhance Bus Transit Center Development, Downtown Inglewood

- **Grant Recipient:** City of Inglewood/ USC Center for Economic Development
- **County:** Los Angeles

Project Area - Downtown Inglewood

Project Focus - The soon-to-be-built Inglewood bus transit center, located on Kelso Street right-of-way between Market Street and La Brea Avenue will serve as an identifiable, convenient, and safe place for downtown patrons to access regional bus transportation, shuttle busses, and transfer between bus lines. In addition, it will serve as major portal into downtown. Currently, the underlying land use and mix of uses around the transit center exhibit signs of economic distress with underutilized parcels and high vacancy rates. To fully capitalize on the potential of the transit center, a well-coordinated land use transportation strategy should be in place that accommodates a mix of uses and promotes a pedestrian friendly environment

Project Goals – The project has three main goals: To perform a feasibility study, including market analysis, to identify a potential mix of uses that will support bus transit center development and increase transit ridership; to enhance pedestrian, bicycle, and transit linkages to the transit center in order to address the underlying deficiencies in land use transportation

coordination; and to recommend land use transportation strategies that promote infill, mixed use, transit oriented development, and sustainable community economic development.

Community Outreach – Community and stakeholder participation will be a key in developing the feasibility study. Information and analysis will be provided on a regular basis by organizing an appropriate amount of meetings and focus groups with the Cities' Working Group and stakeholder planning group. This is expected to be a bottom up planning process that embraces diversity and fosters an environment of entrepreneurship. To enable larger community participation, results of the analysis will be posted on a website. The website will serve as a repository of information as well as an open chat-room to engage the community in the development process.

Project Outcome - The Feasibility Study to Enhance Bus Transit Center Development, Downtown Inglewood, addresses the aforementioned concerns and recommends land use and transportation strategies that promote infill, mixed use, transit oriented development, housing/jobs balance, and sustainable community economic development in order to ensure long-term downtown revitalization and Market Street renaissance.

Planning Goals Realized -

- Foster neighborhoods and project designs that enable more walking and biking;
- Reduce dependence on single occupant vehicle trips.