

CITY OF SIOUX FALLS, SOUTH DAKOTA
Annual Progress Report
Federal Transit Administration
For Fiscal Year 2008
October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008

Long-Range Transportation Planning (44.23.02)

Sioux Falls City staff reviewed proposed land use changes and developed proposals to determine the anticipated effects on the existing and future transportation system. Sioux Falls City staff continued to analyze long-term public transportation needs and funding requirements.

Sioux Falls City staff participated in land use development processes, special studies, transportation planning, project design, and the review of their implications on the public transportation system.

Socio-economic data was integrated with the Public Transportation system and the City's GIS system by Sioux Falls City staff.

Transportation Improvements Program (44.25.00)

Sioux Falls City staff prepared the public transportation portion of the CIP, OCEP, and the 2009-2013 TIP.

Sioux Falls City staff evaluated all transportation improvement projects to review their impact on intermodal facilities and routes within the urbanized area and the region.

Sioux Falls City staff incorporated life-cycle costs when comparing specific project cost estimates to estimates of available financial resources.

Sioux Falls City staff updated the public transportation element of the Transportation System Management Efficiency Report, which documents the short-range, low-cost improvements completed during 2007.

Sioux Falls City staff evaluated and monitored the transit system's operational characteristics utilizing monthly reports and operational characteristics of the transit and paratransit system to identify necessary changes.

Sioux Falls City staff identified and implemented short-range improvements to the public transportation system

Process Operations (44.21.00)

Sioux Falls City staff participated in the 2008 Sioux Falls MPO planning self-certification process conducted by the UDC.

Sioux Falls City staff monitored the activities outlined in the 2008 UPWP and submitted timesheets for reimbursement of eligible transit planning work activities.

Sioux Falls City staff monitored the implementation of grant activities and UPWP budget amendments as necessary. Documentation was updated on a monthly basis to assist in this process.

Sioux Falls City staff attended the transportation planning committee meetings and public meetings throughout the year. Staff disseminated information regarding the transportation planning process and was a resource at the meetings regarding transportation improvements.

Sioux Falls City staff reviewed USDOT regulations, guidance, and circulars, and reviewed the best practices information from other sources to ensure compliance with regulations, and to implement new programs authorized by SAFETEA-LU.

Sioux Falls City staff provided general administrative support for FTA 49 USC Section 5309, Section 5307 and Section 5303 grants including submitting the required quarterly Milestone and Financial Status Reports.

Sioux Falls City staff participated in the development of a Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan. This included participation in meetings with non-profit social and human service agency staff to pursue opportunities to coordinate local transportation services as well as to address unmet transportation needs in the community.

Transportation planning staff monitored the transit system's safety and training program. Staff participated in training programs related to the Emergency Operations Center.

Sioux Falls City staff ensured that the public transportation system continues to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

Sioux Falls City staff, in consultation with PTAB and the management of Sioux Falls Transit, identified and evaluated the feasibility of various transit and paratransit service options.

Other Planning (44.27.00)

Sioux Falls City staff attended the MPO regional conference in Rapid City.

Sioux Falls City staff purchased a subscription to Passenger Transport, a transit industry journal.