## AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING ( ) Discussion only ( X ) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): Planning Department

**SUBJECT:** Rural Veterans Healthcare Transportation Funds

Background: Umatilla County is eligible to apply for Rural Veterans Healthcare Transportation Funds (RVHT). The program is funded through Oregon STF Discretionary funds, and provides funding for transit providers to pick up/drop off veterans at medical appointments and other healthcare related destinations.

The Umatilla County STF Advisory Committee met on November 18, 2021 to provide a recommendation on the RVHT applications. Umatilla County received one application for the first application cycle. Good Shepherd CareVan is requesting \$35,000 to be spent between January 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023. The STF Advisory Committee voted to recommend approval of CareVan's application. The application must be submitted to ODOT for final project approval.

The Transit Coordinator is recommending that the requested project amount be \$50,000 to account for growth and increase the number of veterans served.

Requested Action:

Approve Good Shepherd CareVan's RVHT project, requesting \$50,000 with a minimum project amount of \$35,000 and authorize the County Transit Coordinator to submit the project application to ODOT.

## <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>:

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Checkoffs:	1 of Interna	r ese only
( ) Dept. Head (copy ( ) Human Resource ( ) Fiscal	• •	To be notified of Meeting: Megan Davchevski
( X ) Legal (copy) ( ) (Other - List:)		Needed at Meeting:
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Scheduled for meeting on	: November 23, 2021	
Action taken:		
***** Follow-up:	*********	**********