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DOLE ANNOUNCES TRANSPORTATION GRANT FOR DOUGLAS COUNTY ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED

Washington, DC -- Kansas Sen. Bob Dole today announced two Douglas County organizations will receive grants of more than \$55,000 from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) to benefit transportation services for the elderly and handicapped.

In announcing the grants, Sen. Dole said, "All too often some members of our community are unnecessarily restricted from normal day-to-day activities simply because they can't drive themselves. Providing basic transportation services for senior citizens and handicapped individuals is an important part of our commitment to improved public transportation."

Cottonwood, Inc. in Lawrence and the Douglas County Planning Council on Services For Aging, Inc. will each receive grants from the DOT's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) for the purchase of two 15-seat passenger vans. The vans will be used to provide rides for elderly and handicapped Douglas County residents to retail stores, medical facilities and entertainment centers.