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#### 1. OVERVIEW

## 1.1 Background

The Department of Transportation, Transportation Services Division (TRANServe), administers the Parking and Transit Benefits program. This system will serve as the publicly accessible interface for managing Transit benefits. TRANServe Services include purchasing and distributing transit fare media through the TRANServe Debit Card via Economy Act agreements and the authority of the Administrative Working Capital Fund (49 U.S.C. 327). The office currently supports 276 Agencies and sub-divisions, proving timely and efficient transit benefit service to over 200,000 customers, 60,000 of whom use the online Transit Application.

TRANServe has redesigned the current Transit WebApplication into a "new" user friendly, mobile site designed specifically for mobile devices. The mobile version of the WebApplication has been optimized for smaller screens found on mobile phones and tablets. This will allow federal government workers to apply for the transit benefit, request information, withdraw from the program and recertify using a mobile device. Further, TRANServe TBMs, Admins, first, second, and third level approvers will be able to view, update, approve, or disapprove applications from a mobile device from anywhere and at any time.

## 1.2 Purpose

The Transit Benefit Application user guide is designed to provide written instruction on how to use the application effectively and efficiently.

## 1.3 Document Organization

The following typographical conventions are used in this user guide:

Courier New Bold Indicates a button on a page
 Underline Italic in blue Indicates a link within the system

Title Case plus page Indicates a name of a page in the application
 Italic text Indicates a note on a page in the application

#### 1.4 Point of Contacts

The table below provides a list of the people you may contact for additional information regarding the Transit Application or for troubleshooting purposes.

Role Name/Phone Title Email

Please visit the Agency Participant Page for Point of Contacts:

https://www.transportation.gov/transerve/participants/department-transportation-dot-transit-benefit-program



#### 2. ACCESSING THE TRANSIT BENEFIT APPLICATION

Follow the below steps to navigate to the Login/Register page

- 1. Open an Internet Browser.
- 2. Enter the URL: <a href="https://www.transportation.gov/transerve">www.transportation.gov/transerve</a>.
- 3. Click the *Participants* link and scroll down and select your Agency.
- 4. If your Agency requires you to complete the Transit Benefit Integrity Awareness Training; click the *New Employee Orientation* link. (Follow the instructions to complete the Transit Benefit Integrity Awareness Training).
- 5. Click the *Participants* link and scroll down to select your Agency.
- 6. Select <u>Transit Benefit Program Application System</u> link.

## 2.1 Login and Registration

Use the following steps to access the application:

1. If registering for the first time, the Login page is displayed after clicking the <u>Transit Benefit Program Application System</u> link.

Returning applicants can enter the URL: <a href="http://transitapp.ost.dot.gov">http://transitapp.ost.dot.gov</a> to display the Transit Application login page is displayed.

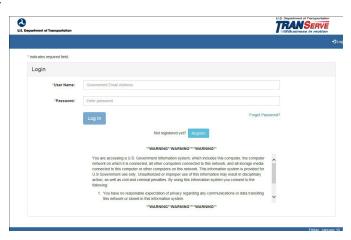


Figure 1: Transit Application Log In page

First time users will need to register. Use the following steps to register a username:

- 2. Click the **Register** button. The Register Account Information page is displayed.
- 3. Enter your government issued email address in the User Name textbox.
- 4. Complete the registration form.

**Note:** \* indicates required field.

**Note:** The agency used in the email for the username will determine the agencies displayed in the Agency dropdown list.

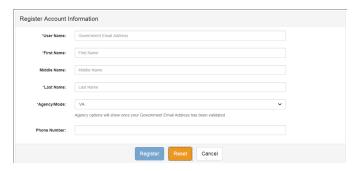


Figure 2: Register Account Information page



5. Click the **Register** button.



Figure 3: Completed Registration page

6. The Login page is displayed with the confirmation message at the top of the page.



Figure 4: Registration Confirmation

After the participant has registered an email will be sent containing a temporary password. Retrieve the password and log into the application using the following steps:

- 7. Enter the username in the User Name textbox.
- 8. Enter the retrieved password in the Password textbox.
- 9. Click the **Log In** button.
- 10. The Change Password page displays.

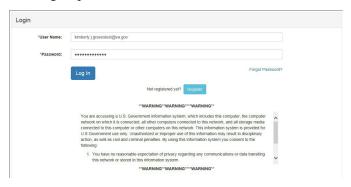


Figure 5: Login page



## 2.2 Change Password

After logging into the application for the first time, it is required that you change the password to something that you will easily remember. Use the following steps to change your password:

- 1. Enter the retrieved password in the Current Password textbox.
- 2. Enter your new password in the Create New Password textbox.
- 3. Reenter your new password in the Confirm New Password textbox.
- 4. Enter a hint, something that will remind you of your password in the Create a Hint textbox.
- 5. Click the **Submit** button.

**Note:** \* indicates required field.

**Note:** Ensure that your password meets the system requirements when changing your login credentials. These requirements are displayed at the bottom of the Change Password page.

The confirmation message is displayed at the top of the Login page.

**Note:** You can change your password at any time by using the above steps after clicking the Change Password button on the Home page. The Change Password page can also be accessed from the Utilities dropdown menu located on the Menu bar at the top of the Home page.

**Note:** To access the additional Utilities menu options from a mobile device; click the additional menus button at the top of the page. Click the Utilities dropdown arrow to display the sub-menus.

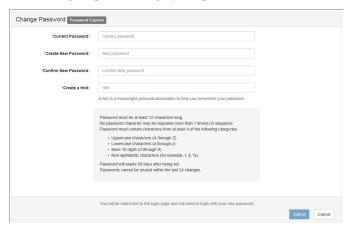


Figure 6: Change Password page

Your Password has been successfully changed.
Use your Username and New Password to login to the system.

Figure 7: Change Password Confirmation

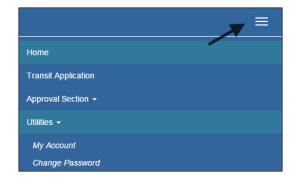


Figure 8: Utilities Menu Options



## 2.3 Password Recovery

Use the following steps to recover your password:

- 6. From the Login page; click the <u>Forgot Password?</u> link. The Forgot Password page displays.
- 7. The Show Hint section allows the user to view the Hint entered when the password was changed. Enter the username and click the **Show Hint**. button.
- The Forgot Password page is redisplayed with the Hint and allows the user to log in from this page.
- 8. The Send It By Email section allows the user to retrieve a temporary password through email. The password will be sent to the email address entered when the account was created. Enter your username and click the **Submit** button.

**Note:** \* indicates required field.



Figure 9: Forgot Password page



Figure 10: Show Hint

• The Login page displays. Enter the username and the retrieved password. Follow the instructions in **Section 2.2 Change Password** to change the password.

## 2.4 My Account

The My Account page allows the user to update personal information.

Use the following steps to update your personal information:

From the Home page; click the My
 Account button. The Update My
 Account Information page displays.

The information entered when the account was registered is pre-populated in the fields. Update the information as needed.

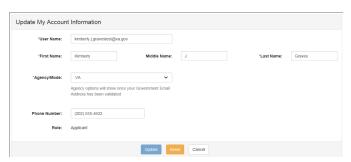


Figure 11: Update My Account page



2. Click the **Update** button. The modified account information is saved and the Home page is displayed with a confirmation message at the top of the page.

User kimberly.j.gravestest@va.gov has been Updated

Figure 12: Update My Account Confirmation

**Note:** To access the additional Utilities menu options from a mobile device; click the additional menus button at the top of the page. Click the Utilities dropdown arrow to display the sub-menus.

**Note:** You can update your account information at any time by using the above steps after clicking the My Account button on the Home page. The My Account page can also be accessed from the Utilities dropdown menu located on the Menu bar at the top of the Home page.

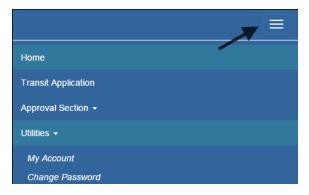


Figure 13: Utilities Menu Options

#### 2.5 Session Time Out

If your session is inactive (i.e., you have not typed data into an existing page, requested a new page, submitted data, etc.) for 45 minutes, you will be automatically logged out.

#### **2.6** Exit

- To exit the system from a desktop, click the **Logout** button on the PTBW home page.
- To exit the system from a mobile device, click the additional menu button at the top of page. Click the Logout button. The Login page is displayed.



#### OVERVIEW OF THE PTB PUBLIC WEBSITE HOME PAGE

The tabs and links available to you on the PTB Public Website home page are determined by your assigned user role. User roles are assigned by the system administrator.

The Parking and Transit Benefit Public Website home page is divided into two sections:

- The menu bar displays at the top of the page and displays the following:
  - ♦ Home Click this tab to display the home page.
  - ◆ Transit Application Click this tab to display the Select an Action To Continue page.
  - Utilities Click this tab to display My Account and Change Password sub-menu options. If you have access to agency reports the Agency Reports option will display here.
  - ◆ Logout Click this tab to logout of the application.
- The main section of the home page displays buttons representing functions you can execute within the application.
  - ◆ Transit Benefit Application Click this button to display the Select an Action To Continue page.
  - My Account Click this button to display the Update My Account Information page.
  - ♦ Change Password Click this button to display the Change Password page.
  - ♦ Agency Reports There are two types of agency reports. Daily Agency Reports and Monthly Agency Reports. These options are only displayed when assigned by an administrator. Click this button to display the Agency Reports page.



Figure 14: PTB Public Website Home page

**Note:** To access the additional menu options from a mobile device; click the additional menus button at the top of the page. The additional menu options are displayed.



Figure 15: Additional Menu Options



## 3.1 Transit Benefit Application

The Transit Benefit Application option allows the applicant to request information, withdraw from the program, make SmarTrip ® changes, and certify/enroll in the transit benefit program, and submit monthly certifications.

 From the Home page; click the Transit Benefit Application button. The Select an Action to Continue page displays.

**Note:** *The Request Information radio button is selected by default.* 

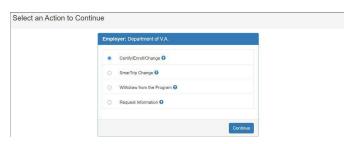


Figure 16: Select an Action to Continue page

#### 3.1.1 Certify/Enroll

The Certify/Enroll option allows the applicant to enroll in the transit benefit program by submitting an application. Use the following steps to certify/enroll in the Transit Benefit Program:

- 1. From the Select an Action to Continue page; click the Certify/Enroll radio button.
- 2. Click the **Continue** button. The Warning page is displayed.
- 3. After reading the message; click the **I**Agree button. The Transit Benefit
  Application Worksheet is displayed.

**Note:** If the applicant does not agree, click the I Do Not Agree button to display the Select an Action to Continue page.

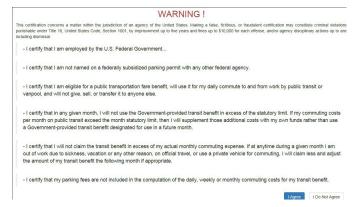


Figure 17: Warning page



- 4. Select the reason for certification.
  - ♦ Annual Certification/Recertification
  - ♦ Change
  - New Transit Benefit
     Participant This is the
     only available reason for
     newly registered
     participants.
- 5. Selection defaults to **Civilian**. Select your Employment Type.
- 6. Selection defaults to **Full Time**. Select your work status.

**Note:** \* indicates required field.

**Note:** The identifier label can be renamed or hidden by the Agency TBM.

**Note:** Some agencies require the applicants to complete integrity training. If this is required; a checkbox will be displayed when the Annual Certification/Recertification or New Transit Benefit Participant reasons are selected.

**Note:** Your Name, Email Address, Work Phone, and Agency/Mode are pre-populated with the information you entered when you registered. Verify that the information is correct.

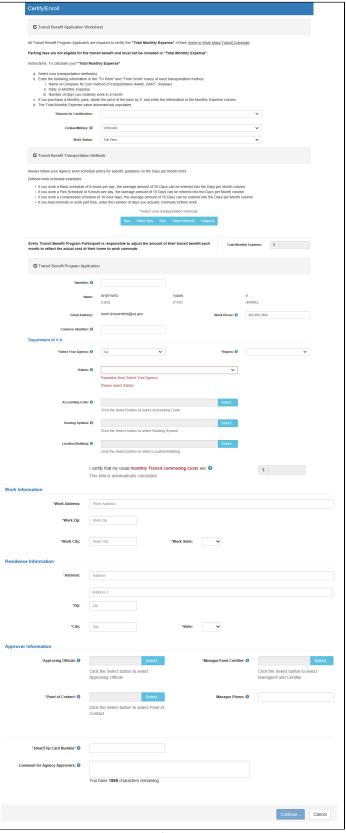


Figure 18: Transit Benefit Application Worksheet



#### **Commuting Distance**

- If the Agency is tracking the commuting distance, the **Is your commute greater than 2hrs?** field will be displayed.
- If the commuting distance is greater than two hours, select Yes. The Is your primary address the same as your commuting address? field is displayed.
- If the primary address is different from the commuting address, select No.

  The Commute Address section is displayed. Enter the address where the commute starts, for instance a commuter bus pick-up location.



♦ Bus







Figure 19: Commuting Distance

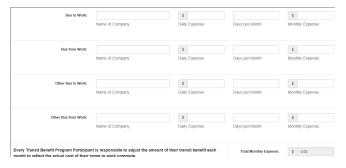


Figure 20: Bus Method



Figure 21: Other Bus Method



Figure 22: Rail Method



Other Method

- ♦ Vanpool
- ♦ Parking

**Note:** The Agency must be set up to track parking costs. The Parking cost is separate from the Transit cost and is not calculated together.

**Note:** If all of the methods of transportation are selected, all of the methods will display in one table.

**Note:** When filling out the method of transportation table, be sure to follow your Agency's work schedule policies.

8. Fill out the selected method of transportation table for every selected method (i.e. Bus and Rail)

**Note:** Some agencies require additional transportation information. If this is required; a textbox will be displayed below the Name of Company field. The additional info label can be renamed by the Agency TBM.

**Note:** The Monthly Expense and the Total Monthly Expense is automatically calculated when you enter the Daily Expense and the Days per Month.

9. If the Agency allows the participant to be funded over the current mass transit statutory limit, radio buttons will be displayed giving the customer the option to pay taxes on the exceeded amount.



Figure 23: Other Method



Figure 24: Vanpool Method



Figure 25: Parking Method

Always follow your Agency work schedule policy for specific guidance on the Days per Month entry.

Defined work schedule examples:

If you work a Basic schedule of 8-hours per day, the average amount of 20 Days can be entered into the Days per Month column

If you work a Flex Schedule of 8-hours per day, the average amount of 18 Days can be entered into the Days per Month column

If you work a Compressed schedule of 10-hour days, the average amount of 16 Days can be entered into the Days per Month column

If you telecommute or work part time, enter the number of days you actually commute forfrom work.

Figure 26: Sample Agency Work Schedule Policies



Figure 27: Method of Transportation Table

I acknowledge my commuting costs are above the current \$130.00 tax free limit and fully understand I will be responsible for paying taxes on the amount I use that exceeds the current tax free limit.

 $\bigcirc \ \mathsf{I} \ \mathsf{do} \ \mathsf{not} \ \mathsf{want} \ \mathsf{my} \ \mathsf{monthly} \ \mathsf{funded} \ \mathsf{commuting} \ \mathsf{benefit} \ \mathsf{to} \ \mathsf{exceed} \ \mathsf{the} \ \mathsf{current} \ \mathsf{Transit} \ \mathsf{statutory} \ \mathsf{tax} \ \mathsf{free} \ \mathsf{limit}.$ 

#### **Transit Statutory Limit Radio Buttons**



- 10. Enter the Identifier. This field is used to uniquely identify the applicant.
- 11. Enter the Common Identifier.

  Depending on the agency, the

  Common Identifier can be a debit

  card activation keyword or number.

**Note:** The common identifier label can be renamed by the Agency TBM.

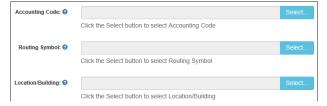
- 12. Select your Region.
- 13. Select your Admin.
- 14. Depending on the Agency, three optional fields may be displayed (i.e. Accounting Code, Routing Symbol, and Location/Building). Click the **Select** link to display the available list for your agency.

**Note:** The optional field labels can be renamed or hidden by the Agency TBM.

- 15. Enter your Work Information.
- 16. Enter your Residence Information.
- 17. Click the **Select** button to display the list for your agency's approving officials (1<sup>st</sup> Approver).
- 18. Select your Approving Official (1<sup>st</sup> Approver).

**Note:** If your agency is set-up for Single Approver – First Approve, this will be the only available option.

- 19. Click the **Select** button to display the list for your agency's manager/fund certifiers (2<sup>nd</sup> Approver).
- Select your Manager/Fund Certifier (2<sup>nd</sup> Approver).



**Agency Optional Display Fields** 

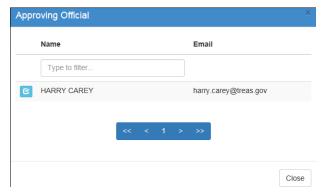


Figure 28: Approving Official

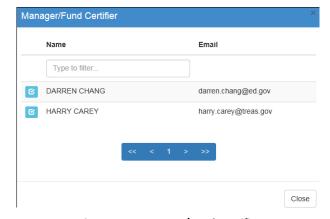


Figure 29: Manager/Fund Certifier



- 21. Click the **Select** button to display the list for your agency's point of contacts.
- 22. Select your Point of Contact.

**Note:** If your agency is set-up for Single Approver – Program Admin (3<sup>rd</sup> Approve), only a selected POC is required.

**Note:** The approver and POC field labels can be renamed by the Agency TBM.

23. Enter your SmarTrip® card information. If you have not purchased or do not use a SmarTrip® card, enter NA. See <a href="Appendix A - SmarTrip®">Appendix A - SmarTrip®</a> Card Instructions.

**Note:** This field is only valid for DC, MD, and VA participants.

24. Enter any information that will assist your Agency Approver with processing your application in the Comment for Agency Approvers textbox.

**Note:** Work and Residence addresses are verified via the USPS database. Enter the street address and then the zip code. The City and State are auto populated.

25. Click the **Continue** button.

**Note:** If a smartrip card number was entered in the Smartrip Card Number field, the SmartBenefits® Program page is displayed.

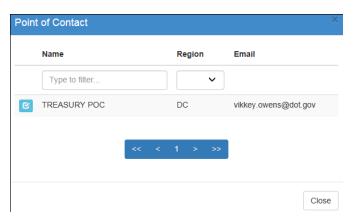


Figure 30: Point of Contact

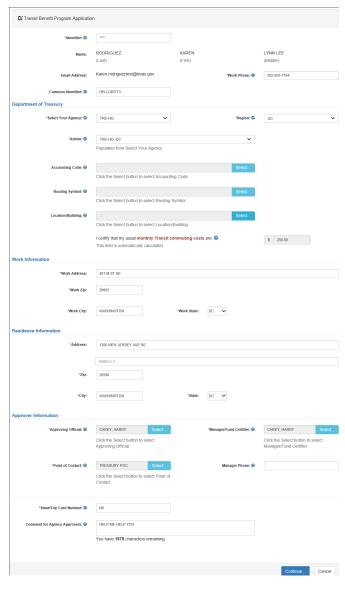


Figure 31: Completed Transit Benefit Application



- 26. Click the YES, I would like toenroll button to join the SmartBenefits® program. By clicking yes, you agree to have your transit benefits downloaded to your SmarTrip® card the first of every month.
- 27. Click the **NO Thank You** button if you do not want to join the SmartBenefits® program.
- 28. After clicking the **YES** or **NO** button, the application is submitted and redisplayed with a confirmation message at the top of the page.

**Note:** The informational message is only displayed when the applicant enrolls in the SmartBenefits® program.



Figure 32: Smart Benefits Program page

Thank you, your New Transit Benefit Participant Application has been submitted.

Thank You for enrolling in the Transit Benefit Program. Someone from the Smart Benefits Team will be contacting you shortly.

Figure 33: Transit Benefit Program Confirmation



## 3.1.2 Monthly Certification

If your Agency is participating in The Monthly Certification Program, this option will allow the applicant to recertify without having to update any participant information. There are three types of applications that will meet the requirement. These are: New Transit Benefit Participant, Annual Certification/Recertification, and Monthly Certification.

When an agency is set-up for monthly certifications the participants are required to submit a recertification based on the frequency set by the agency. This could be anywhere from once a month to once a year. When participants are added to the program, notifications are sent via email. This email will contain the status of the online account. If the account is current the email will display the date the current recertification will expire. If the account is in suspended status the email will instruct the participant to submit an application.

Reminder emails will be sent to the participant leading up to the expiration date. If the participant does not submit an application on or before the expiration date the account will be put in suspended status. If the submitted application has been disapproved and sent back to the participant, the online account will remain in suspended status until the application is resubmitted. If the account is suspended the participant will need to submit via the Certify/Enroll/Change page. The available reasons for certification are Annual Certification/Recertification and New Transit Benefit Participant. Selecting Annual Certification/Recertification and submitting an application will reactive the online account. The application will need to be fully processed to finalize the reactivation. An email will be sent to the participant with the next recertification date.

Use the following steps to submit a Monthly Certification application:

- 1. From the Select an Action to Continue page; select the Monthly Certification radio button.
- 2. Click the **Continue** button. The Warning page is displayed.
- After reading the message; click the I
   Agree button. The Transit Benefit
   Application Worksheet is displayed.

**Note:** If the applicant does not agree, click the I Do Not Agree button to display the Select an Action to Continue page.

**Note:** The applicant must be enrolled in the Monthly Certification Program to submit a monthly certification application.

**Note:** If your agency has disabled the Monthly Certification option on the Select an Action to Continue page, recertify via the Certify/Enroll/Change page.

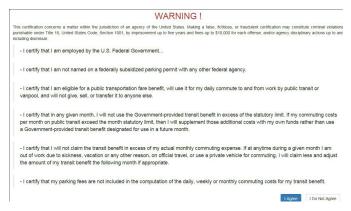


Figure 34: Warning page



 The application displayed is the current application on file. Verify that all prepopulated information is correct and valid.

**Note:** The applicant can ONLY update the method of transportation and rates when submitting via the monthly certification page.

**Note:** If the address entered when the application was initially submitted is invalid; the monthly certification will not be able to be submitted. The applicant will need to submit an application via Certify/Enroll/Change to update the address.

**Note:** If the Manager, Supervisor, or POC selected when the application was initially submitted is no longer available for selection; the monthly certification will not be able to be submitted. The applicant will need to submit an application via Certify/Enroll/Change to update the Manager, Supervisor, or POC selections.

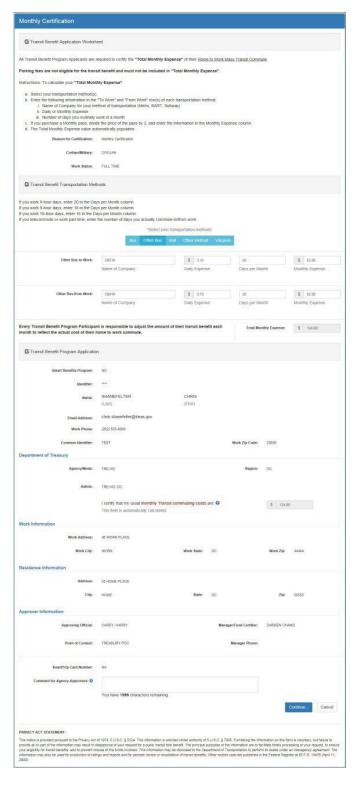


Figure 35: Transit Benefit Program Application for Monthly Certification



5. Click the **Continue** button. The application is submitted and redisplayed with a confirmation message.

Thank you, your Monthly Certification application has been submitted.

Figure 36: Monthly Certification Confirmation

Your current transit benefit certification has expired. Please submit a recertification application in order to re-activate your Transit Benefits.

Figure 37: Suspended Transit Benefit Account

Your Current Application Status: Change Request Completed (01/29/2021)

Your current transit benefit certification will expire on Feb 28, 2021.

Failure to recertify by the expiration date will result in the suspension of your transit benefits.

Figure 38: Current Transit Benefit Account

## 3.1.3 SmarTrip® Change

The SmarTrip® Change option allows the applicant to submit a request to update a SmarTrip® card number associated with the account. Use the following steps to submit a request for a SmarTrip® number change:

- From the Select an Action to Continue page; click the SmarTrip® Change radio button.
- 2. Click the **Continue** button. The SmarTrip® Change page is displayed.
- 3. Update the SmarTrip® card number.

**Note:** The applicant must be enrolled in the Transit Benefit Program to change the smartrip information. Registering a username does not mean that the applicant has enrolled in the program.

4. Click the **Submit** button. The request is sent to TRANServe for processing and a confirmation message is displayed at the top of the page.

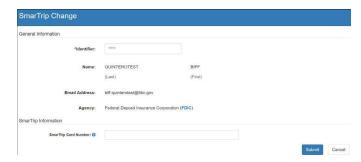


Figure 39: SmarTrip® Change page

Thank you, your Address/Smartrip Change Request has been submitted.

Figure 40: SmarTrip® Confirmation



#### 3.1.4 Withdraw from the Program

The Withdraw from the Program option allows the applicant to submit a request to withdraw from the program at any time. Use the following steps to withdraw from the program:

- 1. From the Select an Action to Continue page; click the Withdraw from the Program radio button.
- Click the **Continue** button. The Withdraw from the Program page is displayed.
- 3. Click the pop up calendar to select a withdrawal date.

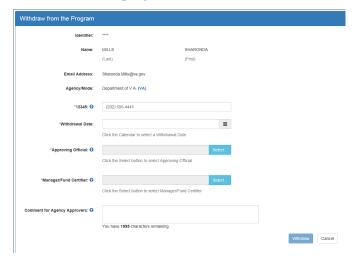


Figure 41: Withdraw from the Program page

- 4. Click the **Select** button to display the list for your agency's approving officials (1<sup>st</sup> Approvers).
- 5. Select your Approving Official (1st Approvers).

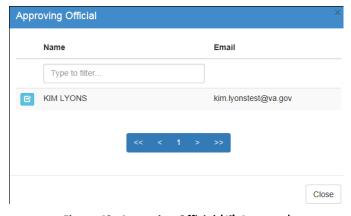


Figure 42: Approving Official (1st Approver)

- Click the Select button to display the list for your agency's manager/fund certifiers (2<sup>nd</sup> Approvers).
- 7. Select your Manager/Fund Certifier (2<sup>nd</sup> Approver).

**Note:** If the approval functionality has been disabled by the agency the approval fields will not be displayed and the application is sent directly to TRANServe for processing.

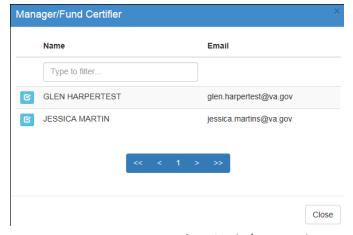


Figure 43: Manager Fund/Certifier (2<sup>nd</sup> Approver)



8. Enter any information that will assist your Agency Approver with processing your application in the Comment for Agency Approvers textbox.

**Note:** The Comment for Agency Approvers label can be renamed by the Agency TBM.

9. Click the **Withdraw** button. The request is sent to TRANServe for processing and a confirmation message is displayed at the top of the page.

**Note:** The applicant must be enrolled in the Transit Benefit Program to withdraw. Registering a username does not mean that the applicant has enrolled in the program.

Thank you, your application to Withdraw from the Program has been submitted.

Figure 44: Withdraw Confirmation

### 3.1.5 Request Information

The Request Information option allows the applicant to request information from the Agency Program Office by submitting questions regarding the transit benefit program or a submitted application through the Point of Contact (POC). Use the following steps to request information:

- From the Select an Action to Continue page; click the Continue button to display the Request Information page.
- 2. The POC selected on a submitted application will pre-populate in the Point of Contact textbox. To select a POC, click the **Select** button to display the available POCs in a separate window.
- 3. Select a POC from the list.
- 4. Enter the question or concern in the Question textbox and click the **Send Request** button.



Figure 45: Request Information page



Figure 46: Point of Contact



5. An email is sent to the selected TRANServe POC. The Home page is displayed with a confirmation message at the top of the page.

#### Thank you, your request has been sent.

Figure 47: Request Information Confirmation

#### 3.1.6 Disapproved Applications

Applications that have been Disapproved are sent back to the applicant. If corrections are needed the applicant can make those corrections and resubmit the application.

- From the Home page; click the Transit Benefit
   Application button. The Select an Action to Continue page displays. The reason the application was disapproved is displayed at the top of the page.
- 2. Select the Update Disapproved Application Certification radio button.
- 3. Click the **Continue** button. The Warning page is displayed.
- After reading the message; click the I
   Agree button. The disapproved
   Transit Benefit Application Worksheet
   is displayed.

**Note:** If the applicant does not agree, click the I Do Not Agree button to display the Select an Action to Continue page.

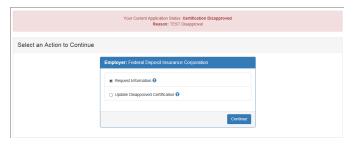


Figure 48: Select An Action To Continue page

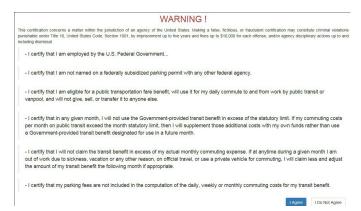


Figure 49: Warning page



- The reason the application was disapproved is displayed at the top of the Transit Benefit Application Worksheet and the Transit Benefit Program Application.
- The applicant's information entered when the application was submitted is displayed in the fields. Make the noted corrections and resubmit the application by clicking the Continue button.
- Click the Delete Application and Start Over button to delete the existing application. Doing this will require the applicant to complete and resubmit a new application.

**Note:** If a Monthly Certification was disapproved, the applicant will need to click the Delete Application and Start Over button to resubmit the application via Certify/Enroll/Change to make the necessary corrections.

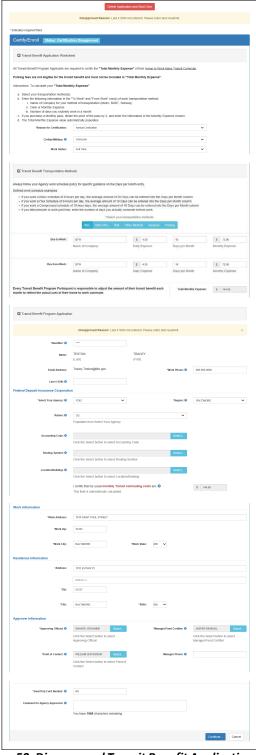


Figure 50: Disapproved Transit Benefit Application
Worksheet



#### 4. AGENCY REPORTS

Use the following steps to download an agency report:

- From the Home page; click the My Account button. The Update My Account Information page displays.
- 2. Click the applicable password request button. A confirmation message is displayed.

**Note:** If you have access to both Daily Agency Reports and Monthly Agency Reports, a password button will be displayed for each report type.

- 3. Retrieve the emailed password.
- 4. From the Home page, click the applicable Agency Report button; the agency report page displays.

**Note:** The same steps are used to download daily and monthly agency reports.

5. Click the link to display the Open/Save dialog message.

**Note:** Click the Open button to display the zip file or click the Save button to choose a location to save the zip file.

6. Extract the files to a selected folder.

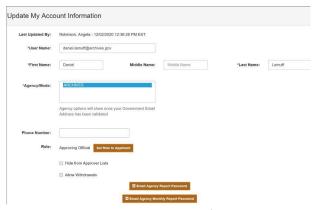


Figure 51: Update My Account Information page

Agency Monthly Report Password has been sent.

Figure 52: Agency Report Password Confirmation page



Figure 53: Agency Reports page

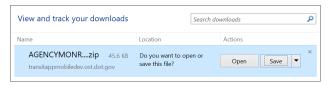


Figure 54: Open/Save Dialog Message

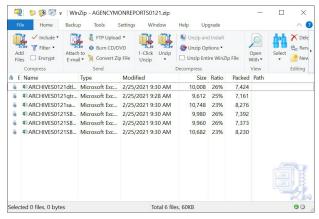


Figure 55: Zip File



7. Enter the retrieved password and click the **OK** button.

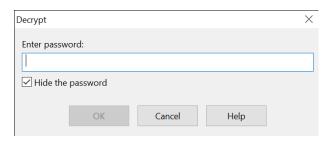


Figure 56: Zip File Password

8. Go to the selected folder and review the downloaded report files.

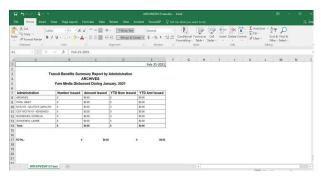


Figure 57: Agency Report File



### APPENDIX A: SMARTRIP CARD INSTRUCTIONS

For Smart Benefit Participants: Purchase and Register a SmarTrip® card

SmarTrip® card usage is mandatory for all participants in the National Capital Region.

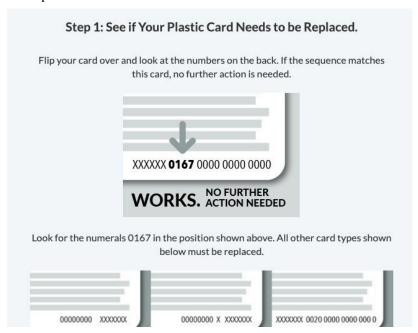
- 1. Purchase a SmarTrip® Card This is a reloadable electronic fare card. Using a reloadable card supports the government's initiatives to support and improve the environment.
  - a. You can do this at a Metro Sales Store, Station Kiosk (these are located in Stations where parking is available, a Commuter Store and many retail establishments.

**Note:** Look here for more information on locations: http://www.wmata.com/fares/purchase/where.cfm

◆ You can also purchase a SmarTrip® Card on line: http://www.wmata.com/fares/purchase/

**Note:** An online order will require you to provide a shipping address which must match the billing address on line with your credit card provider.

- 2. Create a Personal Account to Register your SmarTrip® Card You must register your SmarTrip® card with WMATA in order to receive your transit benefit electronically. Registration may take up to 48 hours to be reflected in the WMATA system. An additional benefit of registering your card is to protect the funds on the card. If lost or stolen you may cancel the card. After you replace your SmarTrip® card, you can transfer the funds to the new card.
  - Register your SmarTrip® card here: https://smartrip.wmata.com/Registration/Register.aspx
  - You must indicate the type of card by matching the serial number on the back with the pattern that is circled below:



TIP 1: Enlarge the number on a Xerox machine and attach to your application

