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Gov. Tony Evers' plan supports job seekers, community health, families

Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Secretary-designee Craig Thompson today praised Governor Tony Evers' use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to support transit in Milwaukee and Madison, a key to help families meet basic needs.

“Like all of Wisconsin, Milwaukee and Madison rely on transit to provide the basic mobility that underpins our economy and quality of life,” Thompson said. “These systems took a hit during the pandemic, and I praise Gov. Evers’ decision to ensure that no part of our state is missing the funding that helps people get to work, visit family members or see a doctor.

“The number one barrier for job seekers is often transportation; making sure people have a way to get to work opens doors for workers and strengthens our communities. Healthy transit systems mean stronger neighborhoods, greater equity, and more economic opportunities.”

The funding includes more than \$5.2 million for the city of Madison and more than \$19.7 million for Milwaukee County.