**Regarding application for Federal 5311 Non-Metro Public Transportation Program Grant and State Downstate Operator Assistance Program Grant by Jersey County to provide public transportation in Calhoun, Greene, and Jersey Counties.**

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing was held by the Jersey County (Tri-County Rural Transit) on Rural Transportation regarding the submission of grant application to the Illinois Department of Transportation service in Calhoun, Greene, and Jersey. The public hearing was held on March 12th, 2024 at Jerseyville Susnig Center at 405 Mounds Street, Jerseyville, IL 62052 but if you have any questions or concerns, you can contact Gerald McDonald at gmcdonald@ilvalley-edc.org or 618-498-6003.

The service to be provided will be demand-response and deviated route meaning passengers will call a toll-free number to reserve a ride from the specified pick-up location to their desired destination. The service will be available to the general public and will be provided throughout Jersey, Greene, and Calhoun Counties. Passengers will be able to travel within the three county radiuses and to areas surrounding the three counties. The grants will fund administrative and operation expenses of the system to be known as Tri-County Rural Transit. Services will be provided by Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation. Illinois Valley Economic Development Corporation will be the administrator of the system with Jersey County being the Lead County and grant applicant. For questions, please contact Gerald McDonald, Transportation Director at 618-498-6003 or gmcdonald@ilvalley-edc.org