



UTC Project Information – Cooperative Mobility for Competitive Megaregions (CM²)

Project Title	Regional and Megaregional Investigations Addressing Travel Behavior, Flexible Transportation Funding, and Human Trafficking
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Brief Description of Research Project	This project supports completion of in-progress research papers, led by faculty and doctoral students and investigating regional and megaregional planning challenges in three areas: a) the impact of residential experiences in different built environments on individual travel attitudes and travel behavior; b) potential disparities in the use of flexible funding transfers to support public transportation in metropolitan regions; and c) federal transportation policy on human trafficking.
Describe Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented)	a) Completion of research paper and successful submission for presentation at TRB conference and for journal publication; b) Project is underway, and impacts have not yet been realized. c) Project is underway, and impacts have not yet been realized.
Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual, not anticipated)	Project has not begun yet, so no impacts have been realized.
Web Links (to reports, project website, etc.)	Rahman, M., & Sciara, G. C. (2022). Travel attitudes, the built environment and travel behavior relationships: Causal insights from social psychology theories. <i>Transport Policy</i> , 123, 44-54. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tranpol.2022.04.012

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