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Gwinnett receives transit grant

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The money will help the county government, along with the Gwinnett Village and Gwinnett Place community improvement districts fund the analysis of the rail line, which would link the Arena at Gwinnett Center in Duluth to Doraville's MARTA station.

“We are extremely excited to receive this grant and ready to move forward with this project that seeks to provide transportation alternatives to Gwinnett's commuters,” Gwinnett Transportation Director Brian Allen said in a press release.

Georgia will receive two of the \$25.7 million in grants announced Tuesday. A \$1.36 million award was given to Cobb to analyze a proposed line along the Interstate 75 corridor between Acworth and the Arts Center MARTA station.

“These grants will help communities explore how they can benefit from transit,” U.S. Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood said. “It's an exciting and important initial step in the planning process that helps ensure federal funding aligns with local and regional transportation priorities.”

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