Press Release

Sun Tran

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: February 17, 2006

Contact: Michele Joseph
Director of Marketing

(520) 206-8810

TRANSIT SOLUTIONS BUS TRAINING GEARED TO SENIORS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

TUCSON, Ariz. - Partnering with the DIRECT Center for Independence Inc., Sun Tran offers Transit Solutions, a free class designed to help people gain greater independence by learning how to ride the bus. The next session will be offered Tuesday, February 28, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at DIRECT, located at 1023 N. Tyndall Avenue. Participants are encouraged to make reservations by calling (520) 624-6452, as space is limited.

Transit Solutions provides bus training with Sun Tran coach operators, as well as an instructor from DIRECT. Participants receive the following information:

- An educational overview of the Americans with Disabilities Act.
- How to utilize Sun Tran's Ride Guide, website, and the Customer Service Center to obtain bus schedules, trip planning, bus pass sale locations, and tips on how to ride the bus.
- Using the wheelchair lift, kneeler or ramp to board and disembark the bus.
- Sun Tran will have a new low-floor bus to demonstrate the ramp, as well as a bus with the mechanical lift to show how both operate. This provides participants with hands on experience with the features from both buses.
- Free alternative resources are available at Sun Tran, including large format Ride Guides, Braille schedules, and Hailing Guides.
- An overview of Sun Tran's Securement Straps. These loops are safety restraint devices placed on an individual's mobility devise to make securement inside a bus safer and easier.

For specific Sun Tran bus information, consult the Spring/Summer Ride Guide, visit www.suntran.com, or call Sun Tran's Customer Service Center at (520) 792-9222 (for persons with hearing and speech impairments with TDD equipment, call 520-628-1565). Except on major holidays, the Customer Service Center is open weekdays from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. and weekends from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m