Computing Travel within the Local PDS Area - Public Transportation vs. Mixed Modes - Cost Less Than Normal Commute (JTR, par.020603-B1b)

Note: Rates used in these examples may not be current and are for illustrative purposes only.

Scenario: A traveler's one-way commuting cost to the PDS is \$3 by bus, totaling \$6 for the round-trip ordinary commuting cost. The traveler uses the bus to the PDS, at a cost of \$3. Later, the traveler uses a Government-furnished fare card to take public transportation to travel to two alternate work sites. The traveler returns to the residence by bus at a cost of \$2. The traveler is not authorized any reimbursement since the cost to the traveler is less than the traveler's ordinary commuting cost.

Public Transportation Cost Less Than Ordinary Cost		
Step	Action	Calculation
1	Calculate the ordinary round-trip commuting cost.	\$3 both ways = \$6
		To the PDS: \$3
		No cost to the alternate
2	Calculate the cost of commuting to the PDS and the alternate	work sites.
	work sites.	Returning to the residence:
		\$2
		Total: \$3 + \$2 = \$5
3	Compare the ordinary round-trip commuting cost in Step 1 with	\$6 is greater than \$5
	the commuting cost in Step 2.	
4	Total amount authorized to the traveler.	None