

Mobilizing Public Access to County-Wide Transportation – MPACT
A YVCOG Transportation Policy Board Standing Committee
Minutes of December 7, 2017

- Present:* Jan Ollivier – People for People, Christy Ivy – SE WA ALT COG, Madelyn Carlson – People for People, Tom Gaulke, EnTrust, Betsy Dunbar - Medstar, Mike Shuttleworth - YVCOG, Brian Galloway – YVCOG, Alan Adolf - YVCOG.
- Call to Order and Introductions/Welcome* Ms. Jan Ollivier, MPACT Chairperson, called the December 7, 2017, MPACT meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. in the YVCOG Law Library (311 North 4th Street, Yakima, WA 98901)
- Approval of October 04, 2017 minutes* Motion to approve made by Ms. Madelyn Carlson to approve October 4, 2017 minutes. Seconded by Mr. Tom Gaulke. Motion passed.
- Human Services Transportation Plan Update* Mr. Adolf gave an overview of the Plan and reported on progress to date:
- Mr. Shuttleworth will take the lead on developing the Plan
 - Transit routes will be verified, to ensure the best possible data
 - A transportation needs assessment (reviewing transportation needs, deficiencies, and strategies) will be proposed for inclusion in the Plan, to avoid creating two separate documents. The Assessment could be an appendix or labeled Part II.
- Mr. Shuttleworth explained that data will be obtained from social service providers at multi-agency events in the community, to help craft the surveys for the needs assessment. He hopes to create an electronic survey in both English and Spanish. A particular focus will be on making transit safer to use and removing barriers to ridership. For example, persons in wheelchairs may find that the lack of sidewalks between transit stops and their destinations prevents them from using public transit.
- 2018 Human Services Transportation Plan Update Schedule* Mr. Shuttleworth reported that the process of updating route maps and conducting surveys will begin in January 2018. The tentative MPACT 2018 meeting schedule (still scheduled from 2:30 to 3:30 pm) for the Plan update is:
- January 25
 - February 22
 - March 22 (parts of the draft Plan available for review)
 - April 26 (complete draft Plan available for review)
 - May 26 (vote to recommend the Plan to the Policy Board)
- Mr. Adolf added that YVCOG’S Commute Trip Reduction (CTR) program has a logical overlap with MPACT/Human Services Transportation, and will be included in some form with the HSTP and other service needs of community members.
- Upcoming Events* A lively discussion about connecting with service providers and potential transit users yielded these possibilities:
- The homeless winter shelter is now in full operation in Yakima; possible opportunity to survey that population group
 - Yakima County hosts a monthly vendor coalition meeting near the end of each month; usually between 10 and 15 providers attend
 - The Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) might provide connections to service agencies, including the performance of HSTP questionnaires. ADRC is similar to the 211 hotline in that ADRC connects people with services for their needs.
- Next Meeting Location* The next MPACT meeting will take place on January 25, 2018 from 2:30 to 3:30 pm at the YVCOG Offices – 311 North 4th Street, Yakima, Washington.

Adjourn

Ms. Ollivier adjourned the meeting at 3:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Ollivier, Chair

Date signed: _____

Attest:

Brian Galloway, Attending and Attesting Member

Date signed: _____