Metropolitan Transportation Commission

Policy Advisory Council Equity and Access Subcommittee Committee

May 24, 2024 Agenda Item 4a

Draft 2024 Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan

Subject:

Recommendations from the draft 2024 Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan.

Background:

MTC staff have undertaken an update of the region's Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan, better known as the "Coordinated Plan." This federally required planning effort establishes the region's funding priorities and coordination strategies between public transit and human services transportation providers to better serve older adults, people with disabilities, and low-income populations.

Plan Update

MTC staff convened a Technical Advisory Committee to guide the update of the plan (see Attachment A, Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan Technical Advisory Committee). The update process provided opportunities for a diverse range of stakeholders, including riders, with an interest in human services and public transportation to provide input into this plan. Specifically, stakeholders were asked to identify service gaps and barriers, provide solutions most appropriate to meet these needs based on local conditions, and prioritize the needs and recommendations. Extensive outreach and public engagement with transportation disadvantaged populations, their advocates, and agencies who serve them took place between 2020 and 2023 (see Attachment B, Appendix F Needs Assessment and Appendix G, Engagement Feedback).

The draft Coordinated Plan includes the following information:

- Demographic information summary of older adults, people with disabilities, poverty, race and ethnicity, zero vehicle households, and veterans
- Regional inventory of existing transportation services and funding in the Bay Area for transportation disadvantaged populations

- Outreach and stakeholder gap identification
- Regional recommendations for MTC and partner agencies

Recommendations to Address Mobility Gaps

Included in the draft Coordinated Plan are eight categories of recommendations, with several recommended initiatives for MTC, transit agencies, county transportation authorities, county mobility managers, cities and counties, and community-based organizations (see Attachment C, Chapter 5, Regional Recommendations and Actions). Importantly, these recommendations built upon the recommendations presented in the previous Coordinated Plan updates and have significant overlap with the accessibility initiatives in the Transformation Action Plan (see Attachment D, Crosswalk of Coordinated Plan Recommendations and Transformation Action Plan Initiatives).

Timeline and Next Steps

The tentative adoption schedule for the draft Coordinated Plan is listed below:

Action	Date
Policy Advisory Council Equity and Access Subcommittee	May 24, 2024
30-day Public Comment Period	May/June 2024
Planning Committee	Late Summer/Early Fall
Commission	Late Summer/Early Fall

The draft plan will be released for a 30-day period of public review, after which staff will present the draft plan to the MTC Planning Committee and the Commission for adoption. Following adoption, staff will begin working on implementing recommendations from the plan in collaboration with partner agencies and stakeholders.

Issues:

None

Recommendations:

Information and feedback

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan Technical Advisory Committee
- Attachment B: Appendix F Needs Assessment and Appendix G, Engagement Feedback
- Attachment C: Chapter 5, Regional Recommendations and Actions
- Attachment D: Crosswalk of Coordinated Plan Recommendations and Transformation Action Plan Initiatives