



Improved governance, accountability and collaboration

COMMUNITY-BASED TRANSPORTATION PLANNING





Improved governance...local involvement

- Regional/subregional conversations:
 - Interest in local communities and residents having an **elevated voice** in transit service planning
 - Necessity for subregions to adhere to higher **regional** policies/directives from RTD Board
 - Equity considerations
 - Help build back confidence and/or trust
- DRCOG staff has a profound interest in this concept for our own planning work



What is Community-based transportation planning?

- **Better collaboration and understanding of needs**
 - A grassroots approach that brings residents, community-based organizations (CBO) and transportation agencies together
 - Purpose: to identify low-income neighborhood transportation challenges and develop strategies to overcome them.
 - Use of CBOs
 - Better understanding of needs – promotes a more equitable, balanced and reasonable process.
 - Yields best results when CBOs are utilized early in the process
 - Vested interest in the communities





Possible plan contents (MTC's model)

- Demographic analysis of the area
- List of community-prioritized transportation **gaps** and **barriers**
- **Strategies** or solutions to address these gaps
- Identification of possible **funding** sources
- List of stakeholders to implement the plan
- Documented **results** of community outreach strategies





Example strategies



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To improve mobility options for low-income and disadvantaged populations, TAM manages a grassroots effort to identify local communities most important transportation challenges and develop strategies to overcome them. A community-based transportation plan is developed via a collaborative planning process that involves residents in minority and low-income communities, community and faith-based organizations that serve them, local jurisdictions, and transportation agencies including transit operators. The outcome is a plan that includes locally identified transportation needs, as well as solutions to address them.

Each plan is developed to further the objectives of the CBRTP program, which are to:

- Emphasize community participation in prioritizing transportation needs and identifying potential solutions
- Foster collaboration between local residents, community-based organizations, transit operators, congestion management agencies and MTC
- Build community capacity by involving community-based organizations in the planning process

- Community shuttle loop
- Shuttle to Marin hospital and medical offices
- Volunteer driver program
- Taxi voucher program
- Subsidy for transit/paratransit service

DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS?