



AGENDA
DRCOG Board Work Session
Wednesday, October 3, 2018
4 p.m.
1001 17th Street
Aspen/Birch Conference Room



1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Summary of September 5, 2018 Board Work Session
(Attachment A)
4. Public Comment
The chair requests that there be no public comment on issues for which a prior public hearing has been held before the Board of Directors.
5. Discussion of Active Transportation Plan
(Attachment B) Emily Lindsey, Transportation Planner, Transportation Planning & Operations
6. Discussion of Community Assessment Survey of Older Adults (CASOA)
(Attachment C) Jayla Sanchez-Warren, Director, Area Agency on Aging
7. Discussion of FTA 5310 Designated Recipient
(Attachment D) Jacob Riger, Long-Range Transportation Planner, Transportation Planning & Operations
8. Adjourn

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BOARD WORK SESSION SUMMARY
September 5, 2018

Directors present:

Bob Fifer, Vice Chair
Eva Henry
David Beacom
Nicholas Williams
Kevin Flynn
Bob Roth
Larry Vittum
Tammy Maurer
Laura Christman
Rick Teter
Steve Conklin
Daniel Dick
Jim Dale
Ron Rakowsky
Karina Elrod
Wynne Shaw
Ashley Stolzmann
John Diak
Debra Perkins-Smith
Transportation

Arvada
Adams County
City and County of Broomfield
City and County of Denver
City and County of Denver
Aurora
Bennett
Centennial
Cherry Hills Village
Commerce City
Edgewater
Federal Heights
Golden
Greenwood Village
Littleton
Lone Tree
Louisville
Parker
Colorado Department of

Participating via Webex:

Aaron Brockett
Lynette Kelsey
Stephanie Walton
Jessica Sandgren

Boulder
Georgetown
Lafayette
Thornton

Others present: Doug Rex, Executive Director; Jeanne Shreve, Adams County; Mac Callison, Aurora; Brad Boland, Castle Rock; Janice Finch, Denver; Jamie Hartig, Douglas County; Carolyn Scharf, Federal Heights; Kent Moorman, Thornton; Mike Lewis, Herman Stockinger, CDOT; and DRCOG staff.

Board Vice Chair Bob Fifer facilitated the work session. The session began at 4:00 p.m.

Summary of April 4, 2018 Board Work Session

The summary was provided for review. No revisions to the summary were requested

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

Discussion of transportation ballot initiatives

Representatives from Propositions 109 and 110 were invited to present at the work session. The Proposition 109 campaign declined the invite citing a scheduling conflict. Arvada Mayor Marc Williams provided an overview of Proposition 110, on behalf of Let's

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Go Colorado. Ron Papsdorf, DRCOG Transportation Planning & Operations Director, provided background information on Proposition 109. Members discussed the two initiatives. Consensus of the group is for the two initiatives to move forward to the full Board for discussion.

Discussion of non-transportation ballot initiatives

Rich Mauro, Senior Policy and Legislative Analyst, provided information on the non-transportation ballot initiatives. Members discussed the various initiatives. Consensus of the group is for Amendments 73 and 74 to move forward to the full Board for discussion.

The work session ended at 5:31 p.m.

ATTACH B

To: Chair and Members of the Board of Directors

From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
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SUBJECT

Discussion of the DRCOG Active Transportation Plan

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

N/A

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

DRCOG and its partners have developed a draft regional Active Transportation Plan (ATP). Alongside the Active Transportation Stakeholder Committee (ATSC), the project team kicked off the planning process at the end of 2017 and conducted stakeholder and public outreach in spring and summer 2018.

In June, the project team held five workshops across the region with local government staff, conducted outreach on Bike to Work Day at ten stations regionwide and analyzed survey results to learn more about barriers to walking and bicycling. In August, the project team received comments from the ATSC regarding the planning framework, tools for local implementation, and draft regional active transportation corridors.

Staff anticipates releasing the draft ATP for public and stakeholder comment in October. The 30-day public comment period will include public outreach and stakeholder engagement. The project team will revise the document based on feedback and present the final draft to DRCOG's Transportation Advisory Committee, Regional Transportation Committee and Board of Directors.

A [link](#) to the draft ATP is available for your review. Please note that only Appendix A is included in the document. Appendices B-F will be added to the Plan at a later time.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

[July 18, 2018 – Board of Directors meeting](#)

PROPOSED MOTION

N/A

ATTACHMENT

1. Staff presentation
2. [Draft ATP](#)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

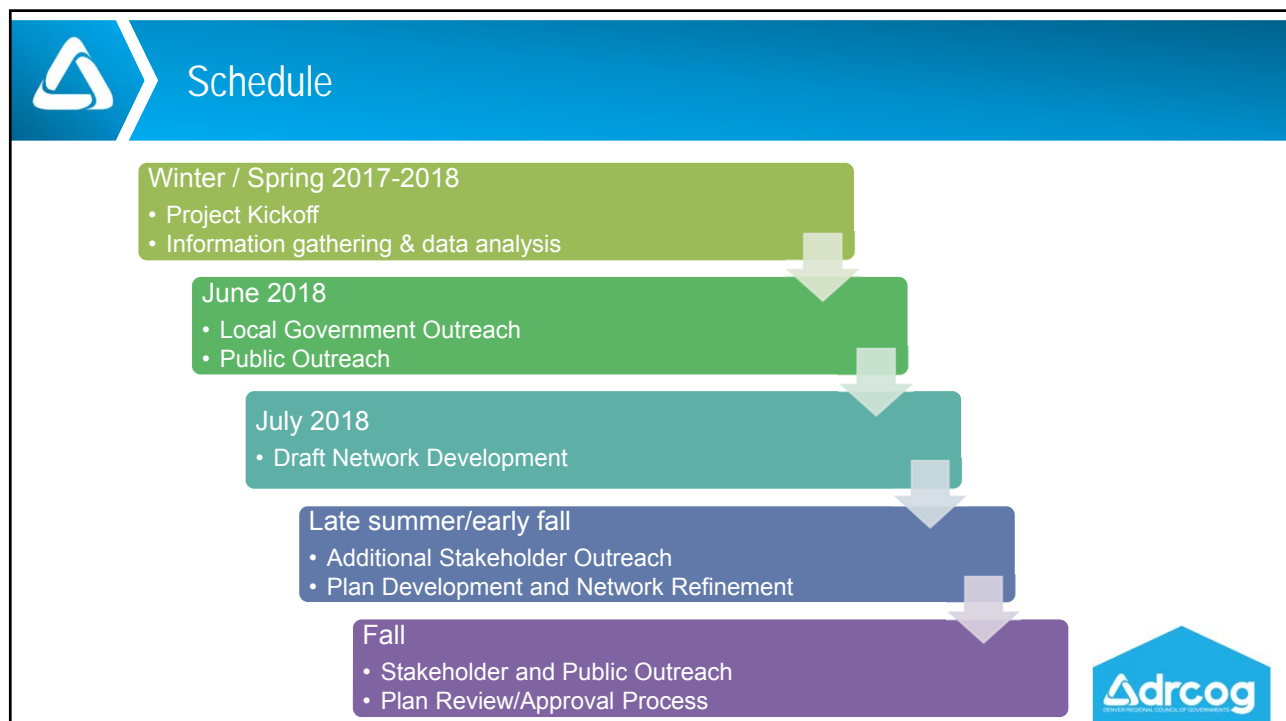
If you need additional information please contact Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director, at (303) 480-6701 or drex@drcog.org; or Emily Lindsey, Transportation Planner, at (303) 480-5628 or elindsey@drcog.org.





Presented by:
Emily Lindsey
October 3, 2018

DRCOG Active Transportation Plan





Outreach Highlights (to date)

55 participants from
31 stakeholder agencies at
5 meetings across the region in June







412 responses to an online survey
 from members of the public

10 stations on Bike to Work Day and
233 responses to engagement activity



Resident Survey

At least once during a typical month:

- For fun or exercise
 49%
 79%
- To get somewhere other than work
 30%
 55%
- To get to work
 17%
 15%





Resident Survey

Percent who said they would feel **very or somewhat comfortable**:



< only 2 in 10 respondents would feel very comfortable on a two- or four-lane roadway w/ a bicycle lane



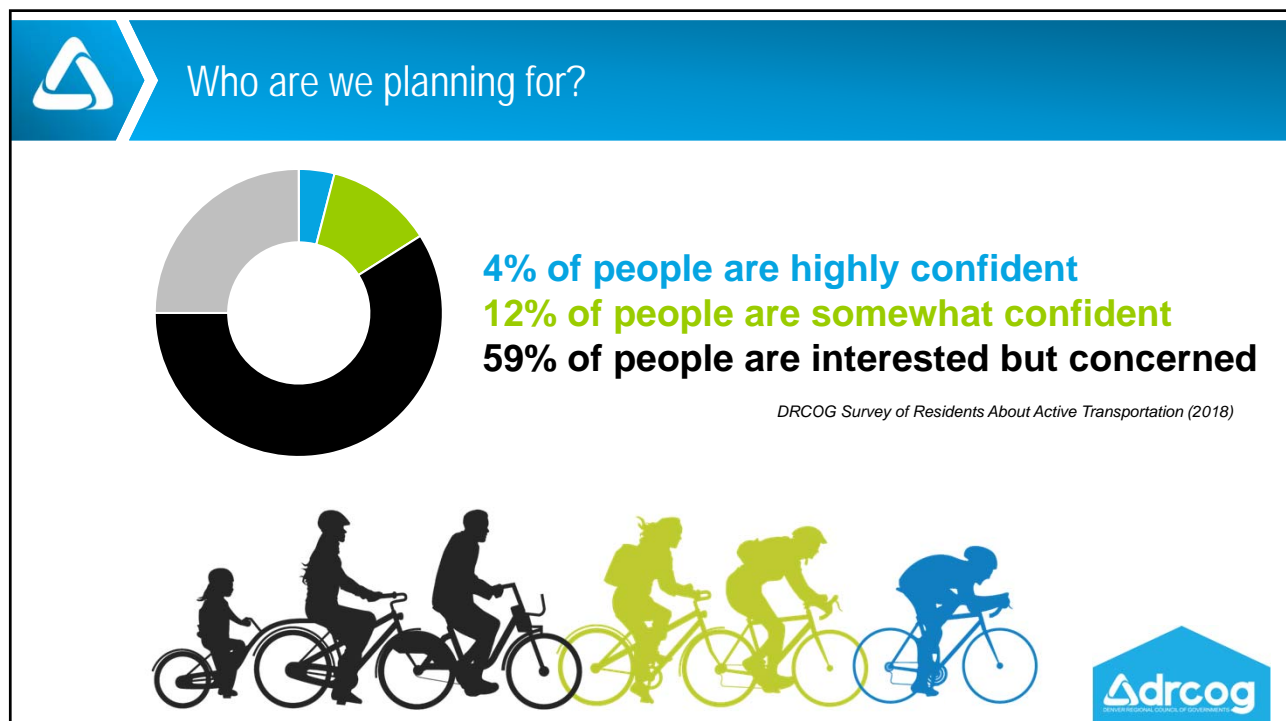
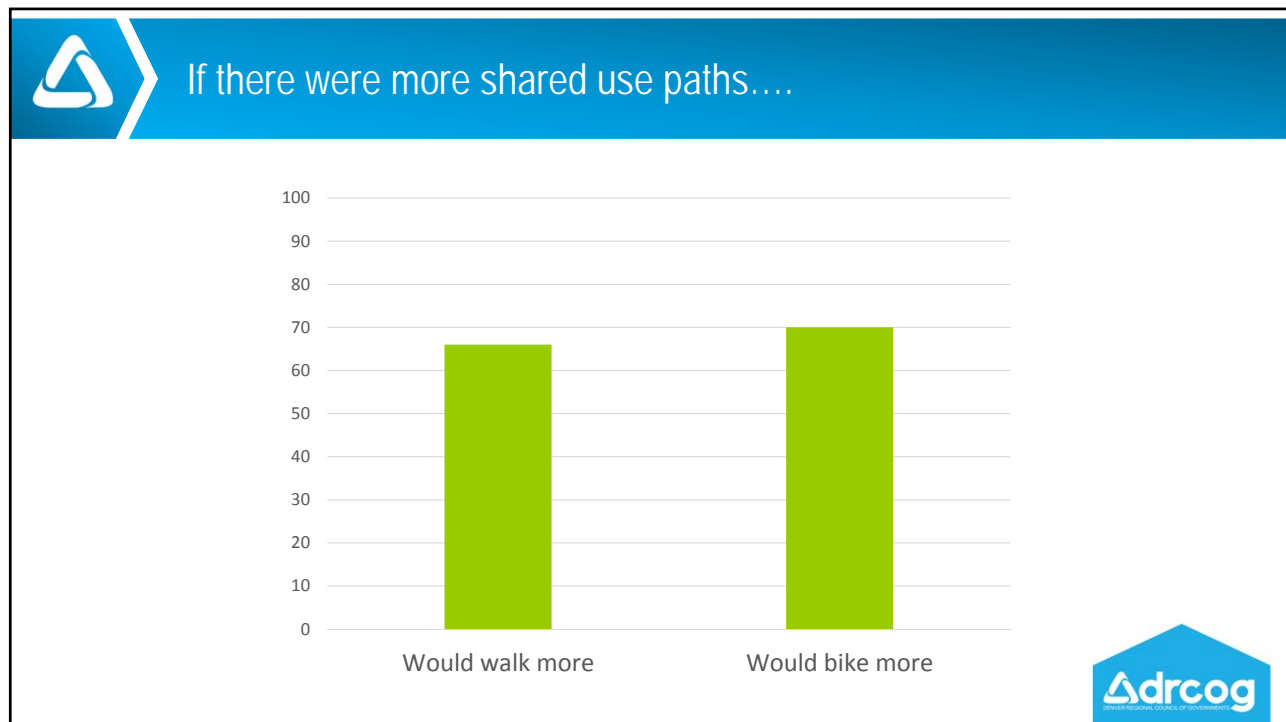
< only 4 in 10 respondents would feel very comfortable on a buffered bicycle lane on a four-lane roadway



Resident Survey

Percent who said they would feel **very or somewhat comfortable**:







Planning Framework Themes

- Crashes and safety
- Comfort and usability
- Connectivity of local and regional active transportation networks
- Access to/from transit
- Equitable access to active transportation options



Plan Structure



Introduction + Objectives

Regional Active Transportation Network

Tools for Local Implementation

Taking Action – Strategic Initiatives

Appendices

County profiles
 Engagement summary
 Survey results
 Crash report
 Local plan inventory





Introductory Components

- Outlines **objectives** and **performance measures**.
- Highlights **local examples** throughout the DRCOG region.
- Describes **connection to Metro Vision**.
- Introduces the **regional active transportation network concept**.



Regional Active Transportation Network Components

Focus Area	Description	What does it mean for the ATP?
Pedestrian focus area	Areas with a high concentration of existing or potential pedestrian activity.	Efforts to improve pedestrian safety and convenience in these areas will help the region achieve Metro Vision goals related to livable communities, safety, health, and transit integration.
Short-trip opportunity zones	Areas with a high concentration of short trips (2 miles or less).	The average bicycle trip distance in the Denver region is 1.8 miles. Areas with a large number of trips 2 miles or less hold potential for converting car trips to bicycle trips , which will help fulfill a key Metro Vision goal (reduce SOV mode share).
Regional active transportation corridors	Vision for high-comfort routes that connect significant regional destinations and may serve longer distance bike trips, as well as local walking and biking trips.	These corridors are intended to allow safe and comfortable access to regional destinations for everyone , supporting Metro Vision's goals related to creating a connected multimodal region and vibrant regional economy. The regional network should facilitate cross-jurisdictional collaboration toward a common vision for a regional active transportation network. Local facilities that feed into the regional network are critical to connect residents to the regional network and will be recognized in the ATP.



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Traditional – covers topics like accessibility, complete streets, etc.





Local and Regional Strategic Initiatives

In line with **Metro Vision planning framework**, identified:

- Options for **Regional Organizations**
 - Collaboration
 - Education and Assistance
 - Investments
- Options for **Local Organizations**
 - Collaboration
 - Policies, Plans & Regulations
 - Investments

Highlighted relevant **case studies** too!



County Profiles

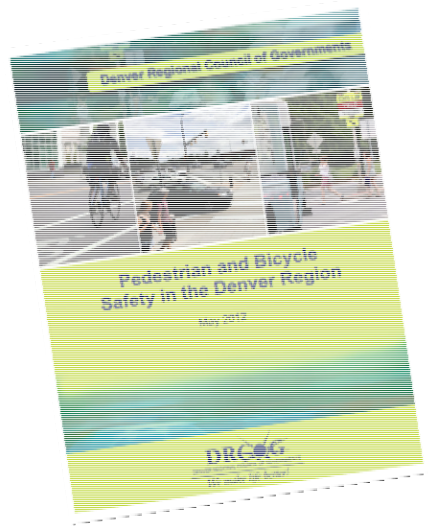
As part of existing conditions assessment, looked at each County-level geography to:

- Understand **planning context**
- Highlight and incorporate **local plans and policies**
- Examine **existing facilities** and **walking and bicycling activity**.
- Report on active transportation **crashes**.





Bicycle and Pedestrian Crash Report – Coming soon!



QUESTIONS?

ATTACH C

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SUBJECT

This item reports the regional results of the Community Assessment Survey of Older Adults (CASOA)

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

No action requested.

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

The Area Agency on Aging is required to complete an Area Plan on Aging for 2020-2024. The Area Plan requires a survey of older adults in the region. DRCOG contracted with The National Research Center (NRC) to conduct a region-wide survey of older adults. The objective of the survey is to identify community strengths, articulate specific needs of older adults, estimate the contribution of older adults and determine the connection of older adults to the community.

At the October meeting, staff will present the regional analysis of the survey. Links to CASOA county reports can be found at: <https://drcog.org/programs/area-agency-aging/data-and-surveys> on the lower portion of the page.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION

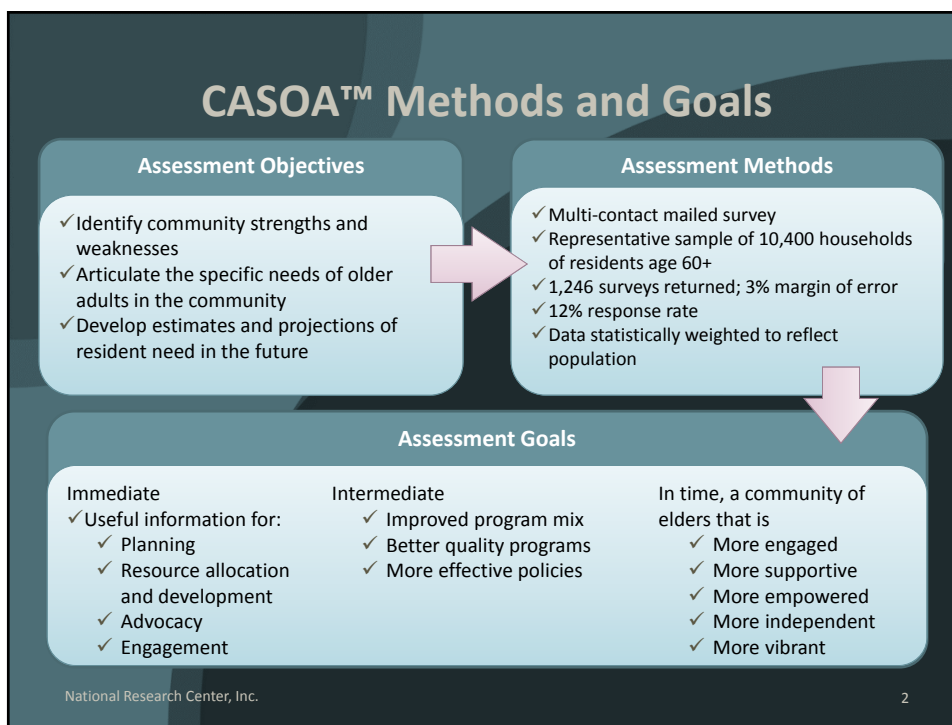
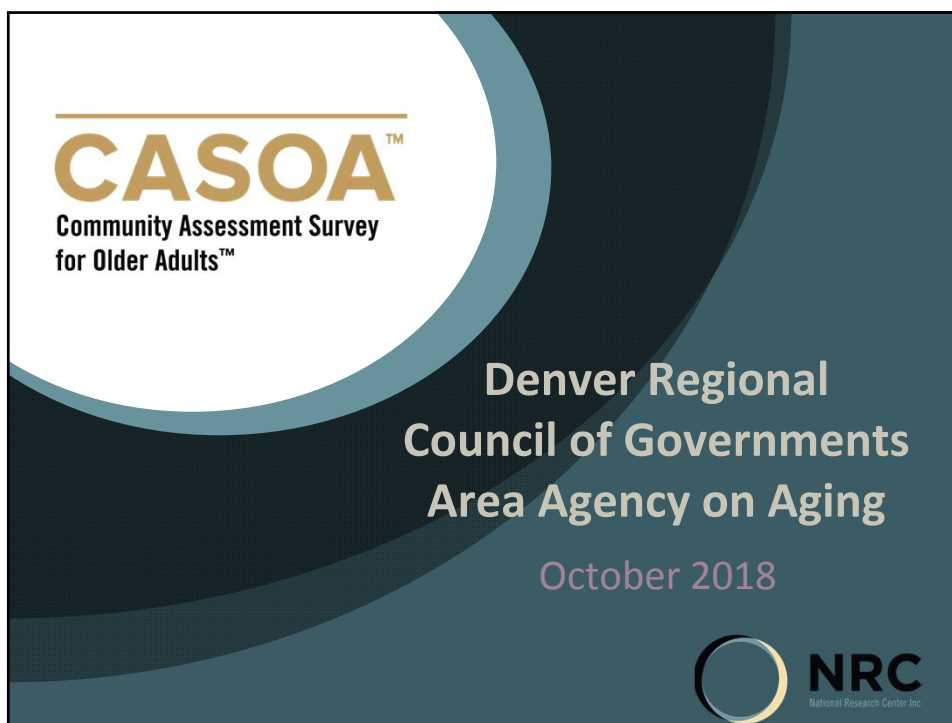
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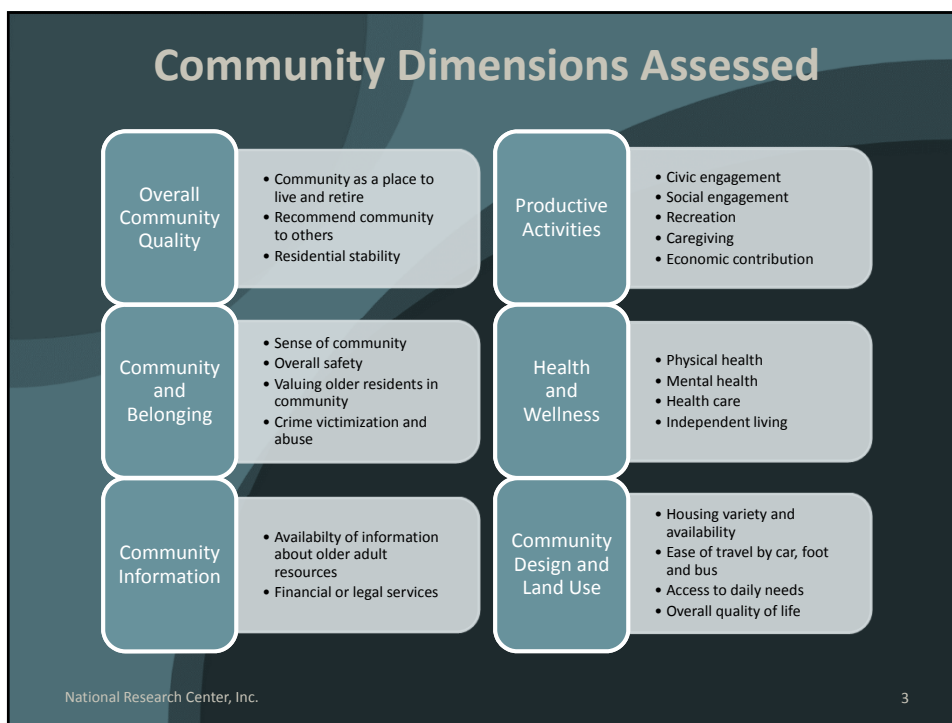
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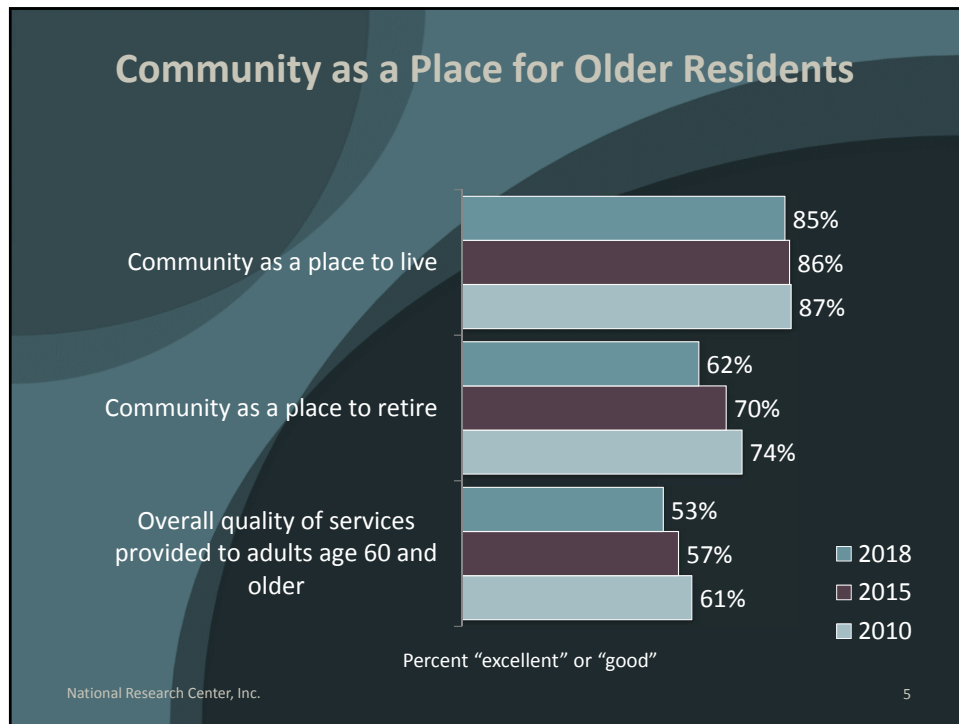
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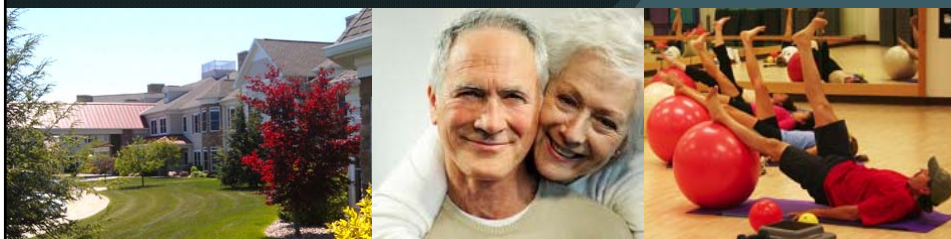
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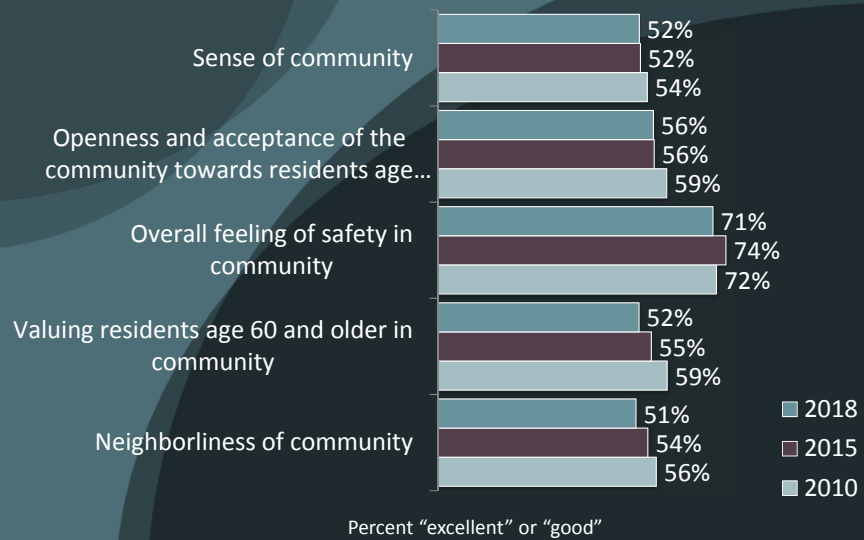




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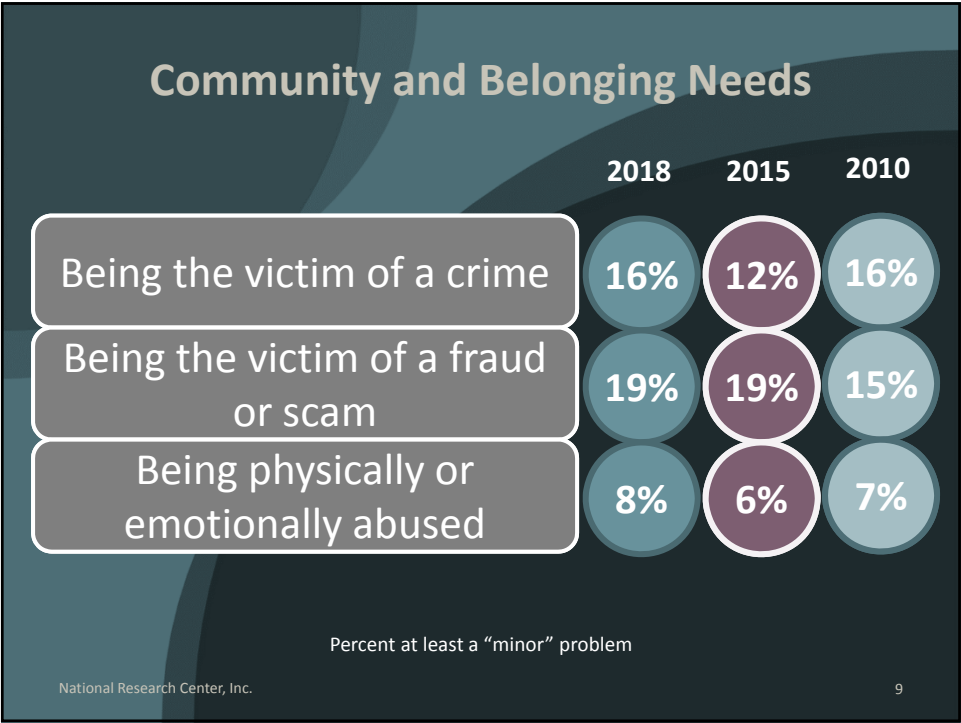


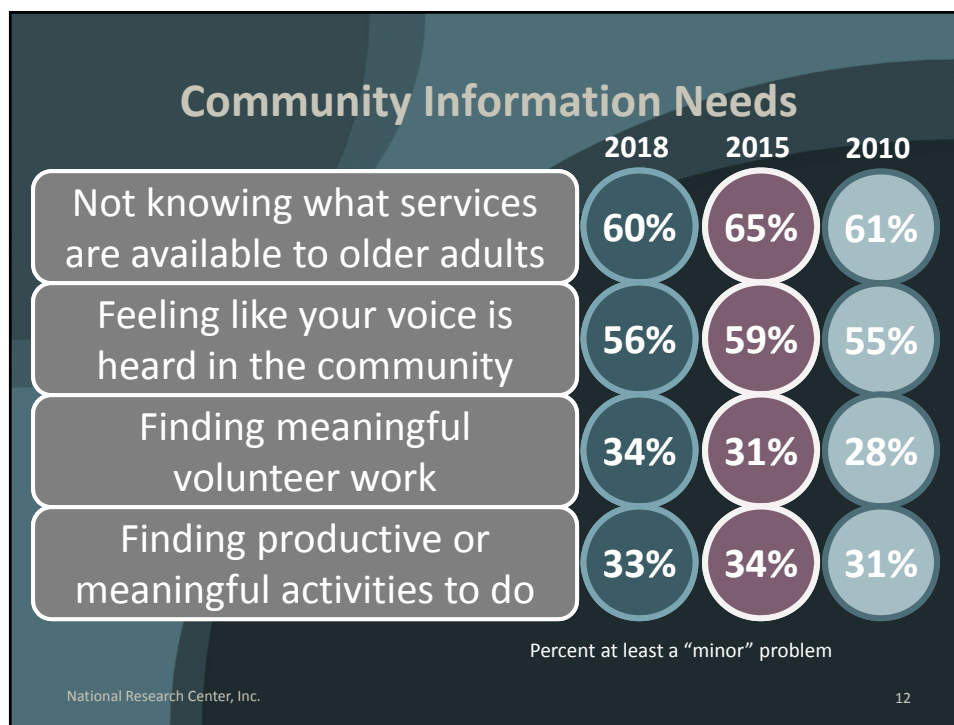
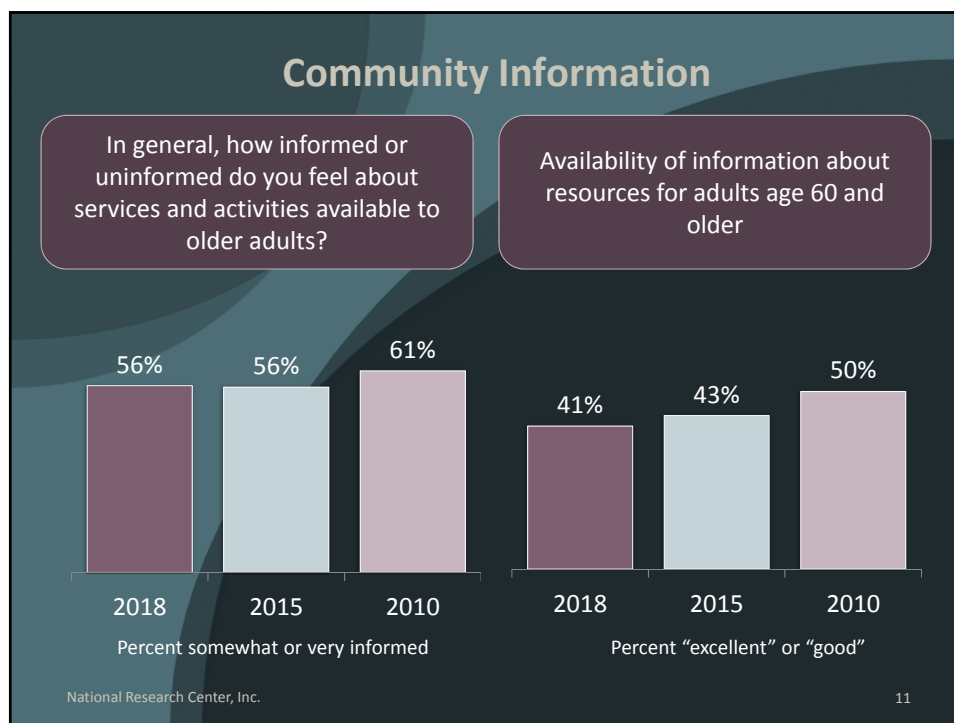
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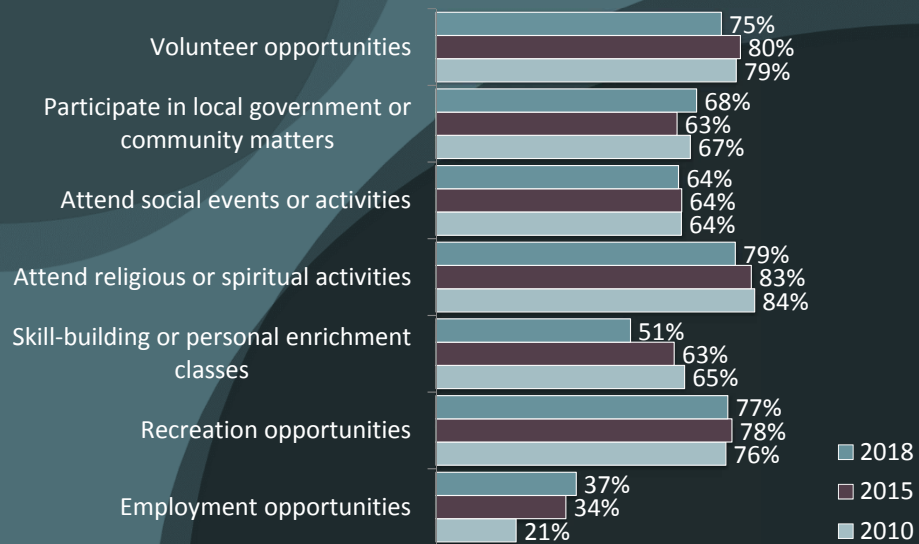




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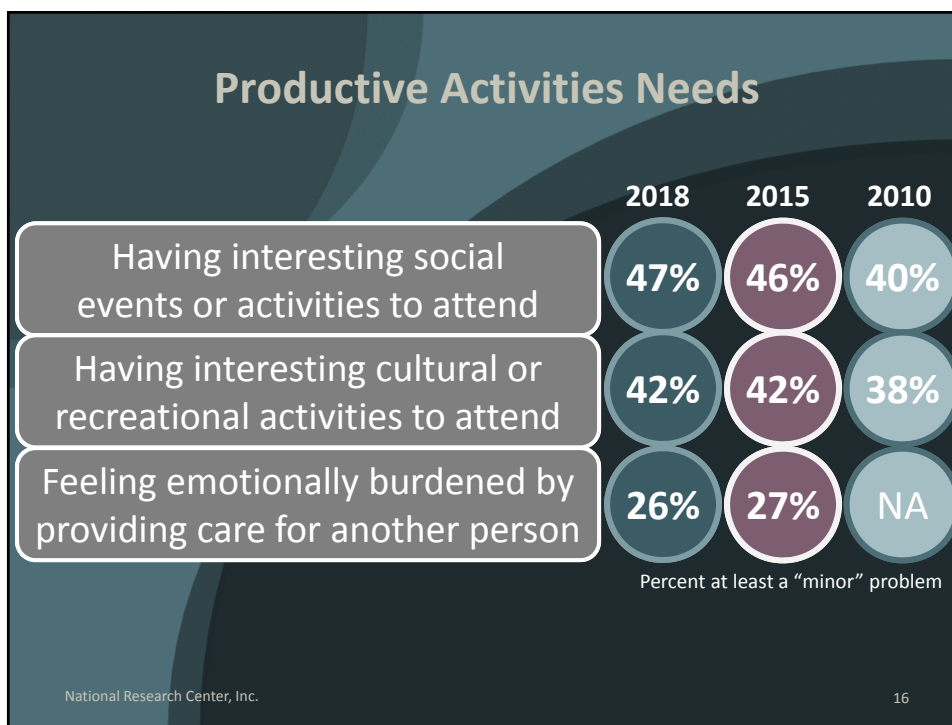
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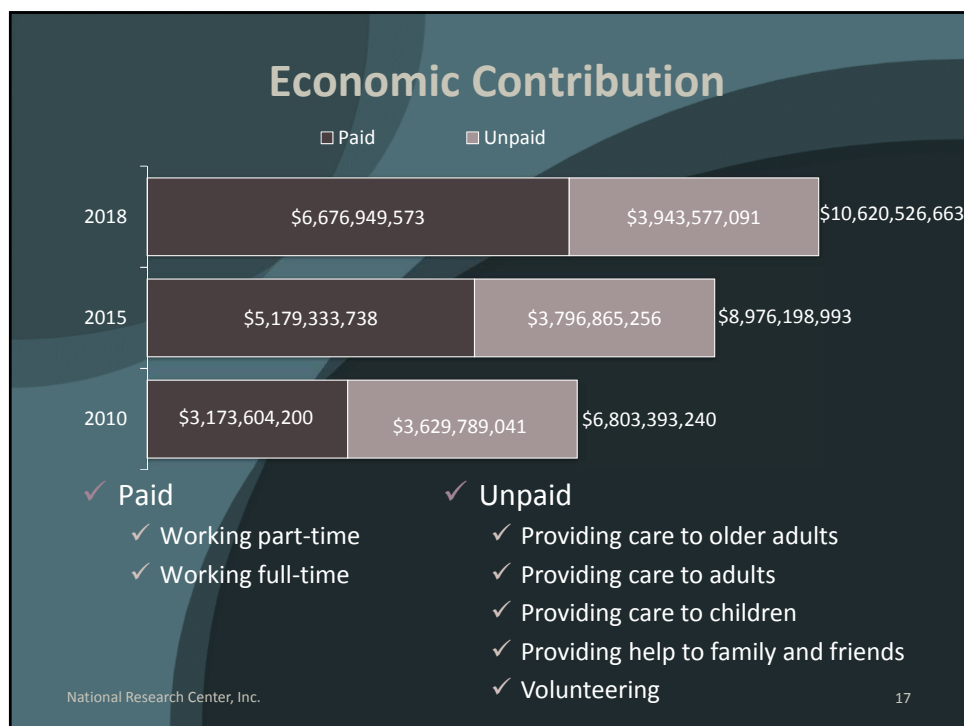


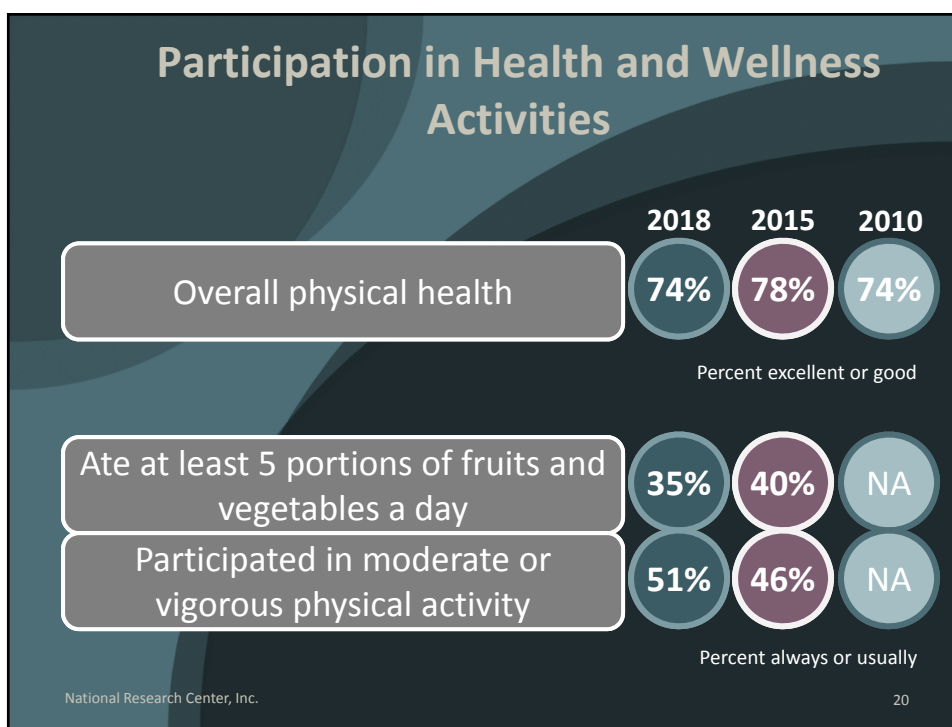
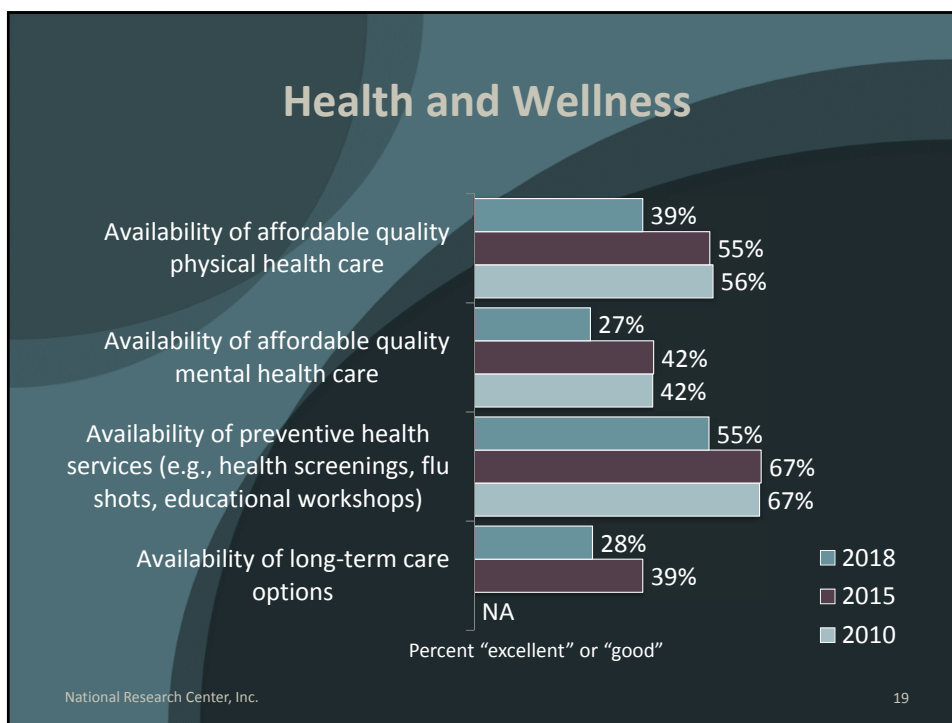
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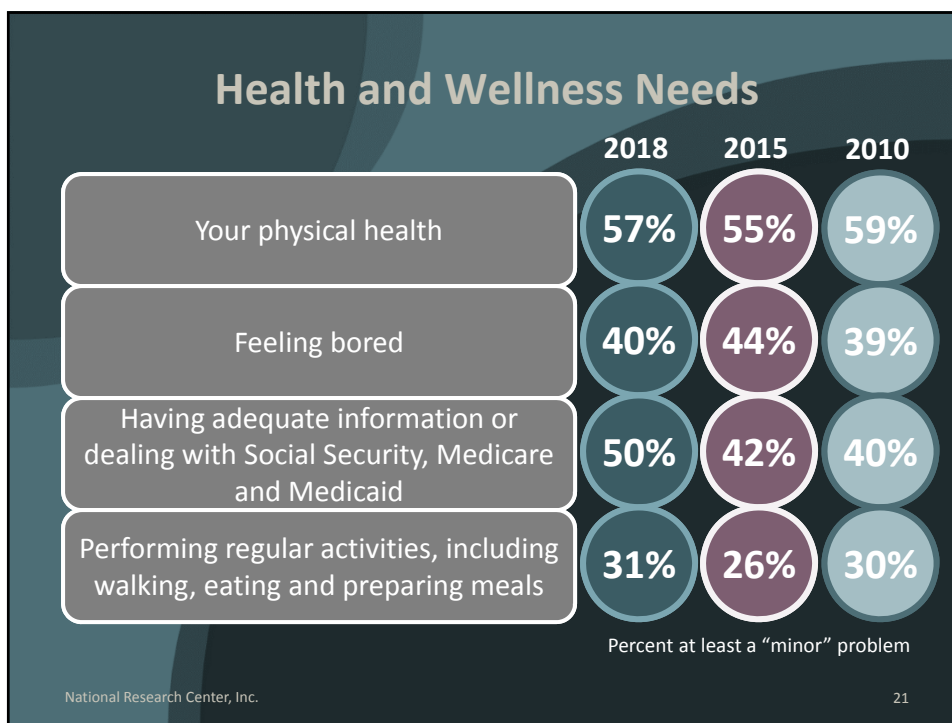
Percent "excellent" or "good"

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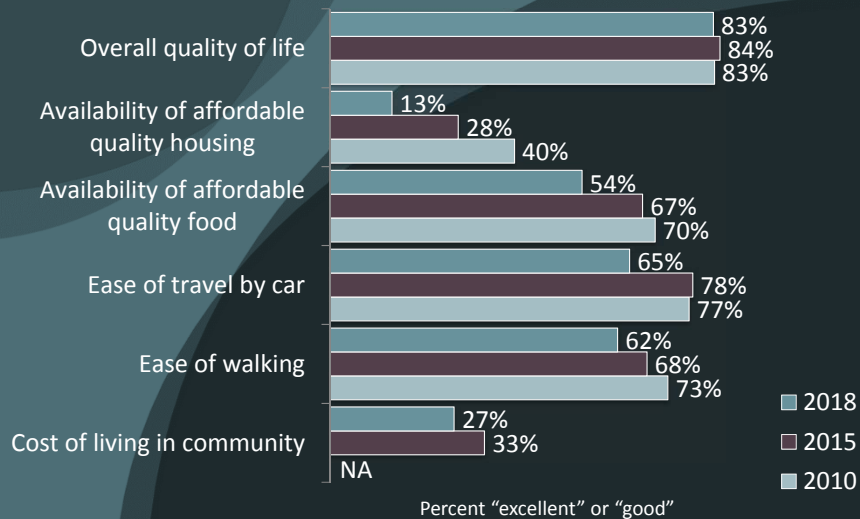








Community Design and Land Use

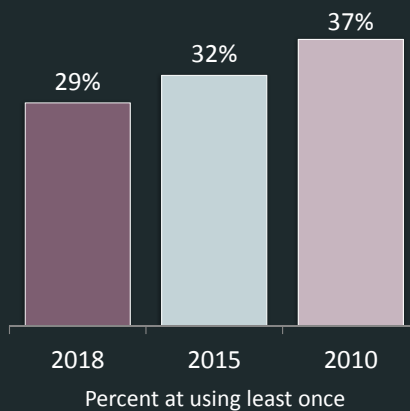


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Use of Public Transportation

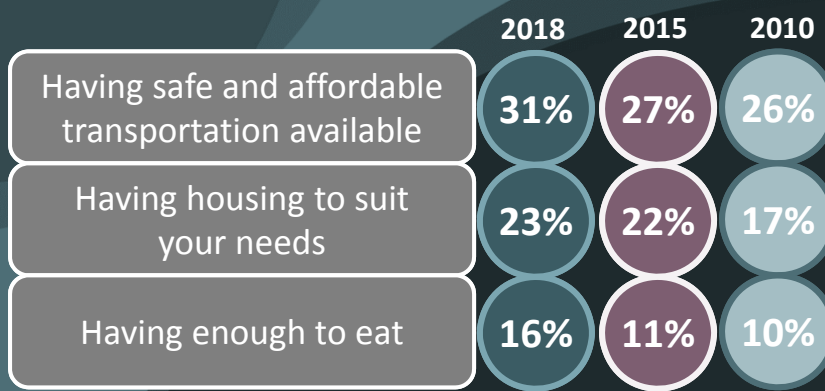
In the last 12 months, about how many times, if ever, used bus, rail or other public transportation instead of driving?



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Community Design and Land Use Needs



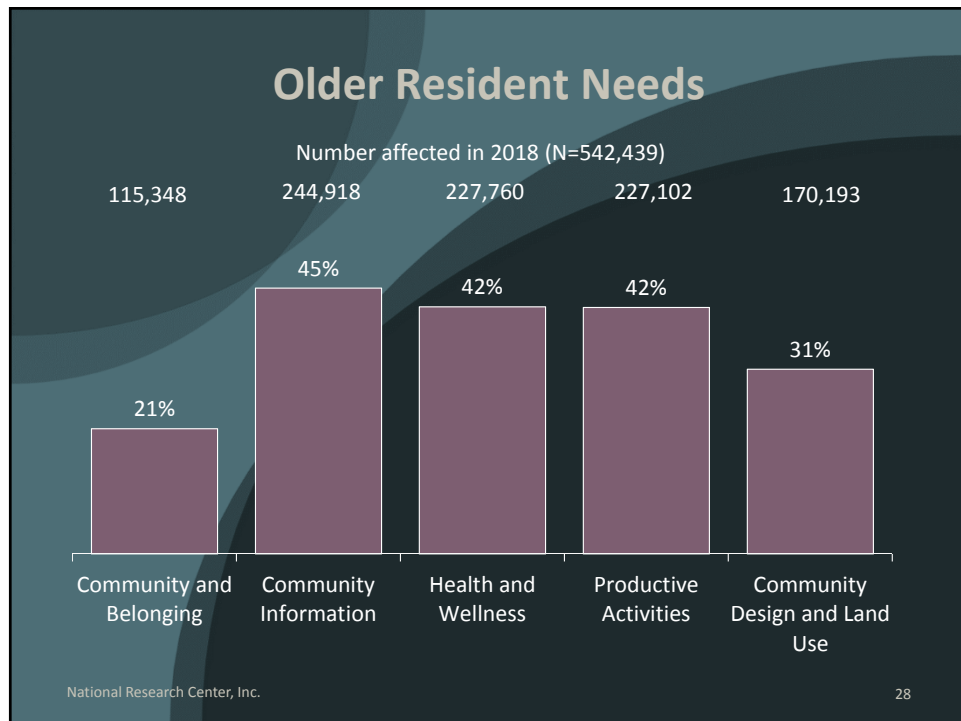
Percent at least a "minor" problem

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Community Readiness





Special Topics



Frequency of Internet Use

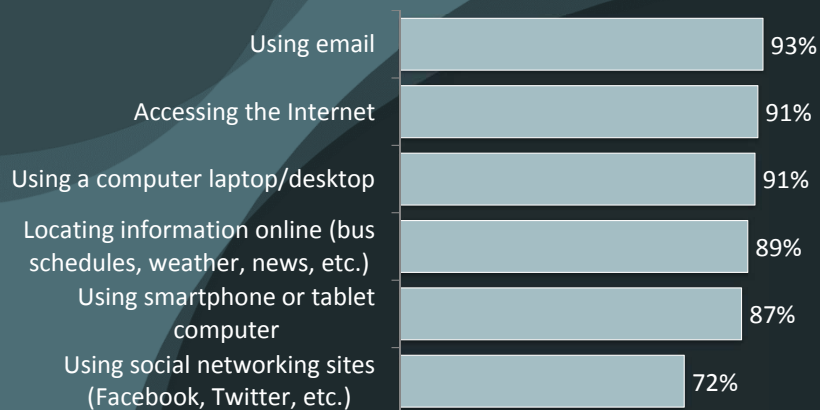
Most often

- ✓ Use email, texting or video to communicate
- ✓ Get the news or weather
- ✓ Research or study a topic of interest

Least often

- ✓ Sell goods and services online, advertise
- ✓ Attend an online class or training
- ✓ Communicate with government (seek services, get a license, discuss a problem)

Comfort with Using the Internet



Percent very or somewhat comfortable

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Recommendations



Recommendations

Community and Belonging

- ✓ Encourage neighborliness
- ✓ Promote intergenerational programs
- ✓ Create social resources for high-risk populations
- ✓ Consider community design and land use policy to “build community”

Community Information

- ✓ Increase public awareness of programs and services
- ✓ Develop a clearinghouse for all services offered to seniors in community
- ✓ Offer information and planning activities on a large scale

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Recommendations

Productive Activities

- ✓ Actively promote senior volunteerism
- ✓ Consider the social and leisure interests of Baby Boomers
- ✓ Increase participation of older residents in local governing and community decision-making

Health and Wellness

- ✓ Pursue policies encouraging universal design and senior housing options that require less maintenance burden
- ✓ Provide attractive fitness opportunities for older residents
- ✓ Support home modification and repair services

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Recommendations

Community Design and Land Use

- ✓ Consider zoning regulations that encourage affordable housing options
- ✓ Develop programs that reduce housing costs
- ✓ Develop “time bank” or other volunteer programs to support senior transportation

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Thank You!



ATTACH D

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From: Douglas W. Rex, Executive Director
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SUBJECT

Discussion on DRCOG becoming the designated recipient for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 (*Enhanced Mobility of Seniors & Individuals with Disabilities*) Program funding.

PROPOSED ACTION/RECOMMENDATIONS

N/A

ACTION BY OTHERS

N/A

SUMMARY

The FTA 5310 program funds projects to increase the mobility of older adults and individuals with disabilities. Eligible projects include both capital investment and operating assistance for service that goes beyond minimum Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) complementary paratransit service requirements. There is an annual allocation of just under \$2 million for the Denver region. CDOT has been the designated recipient since 2013.

DRCOG previously selected projects for this program and its predecessor program for several cycles for RTD. The DRCOG Area Agency on Aging (AAA) also administers transportation projects funded through the Older Americans Act (OAA). The coordination of both funding sources could significantly increase service efficiency, reduce duplication, and increase the number of trips provided. Also, the FTA allows funding expended for OAA transportation projects to count towards the local match requirement for FTA 5310. For those reasons, combining both programs is a key recommendation of the 2016-2019 DRCOG Area Plan on Aging. It is also the primary recommendation of the 2013 [Transportation Coordination Systems Study](#), a joint effort of DRCOG, the Denver Regional Mobility Access Council (DRMAC), and other stakeholders. In fact, this study recommended as a best practice the integration and leveraging of multiple funding sources to best serve transportation needs for vulnerable populations.

In addition, the new 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program Human Service Transportation set-aside could also be combined with the other two funding sources, and potentially others, to make an even more robust coordinated program.

Becoming the designated recipient would be a new responsibility for DRCOG. It would mean working more directly with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). It would also mean overseeing federal projects undertaken by subrecipients and compensating them for their work before getting reimbursed from FTA. These responsibilities are not dissimilar to ones that the DRCOG AAA has had for decades in their role as a recipient of Older Americans Act funds. FTA 5310 designated recipients can use up to 10% of the annual allocation to cover administrative costs associated with administering the program with no local match requirement.

DRCOG staff have met with CDOT, FTA, RTD, and stakeholders to obtain input and support. CDOT, FTA, and RTD have indicated support, and stakeholders have provided useful feedback. DRCOG staff are currently engaged with stakeholders to address their questions and concerns.

If DRCOG becomes the FTA 5310 designated recipient, staff would work with CDOT to transition the program to DRCOG effective with the 2020 funding cycle. The first call for projects would take place in the Summer/Fall of 2019 and the first projects would commence in January 2020.

PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

N/A

PROPOSED MOTION


N/A

ATTACHMENT


Staff presentation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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Presented by:
Matthew Helfant
October 3, 2018

Discussion on DRCOG Becoming a Direct Recipient for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5310 Funding



FTA 5310 Program History

- DRCOG previously selected projects for FTA 5310 and its predecessors
- RTD managed the program until 2013 when it transitioned to CDOT
- Federal statute requires DRCOG (as MPO) to recommend the FTA 5310 Program designated recipient to the Governor





5310 Background

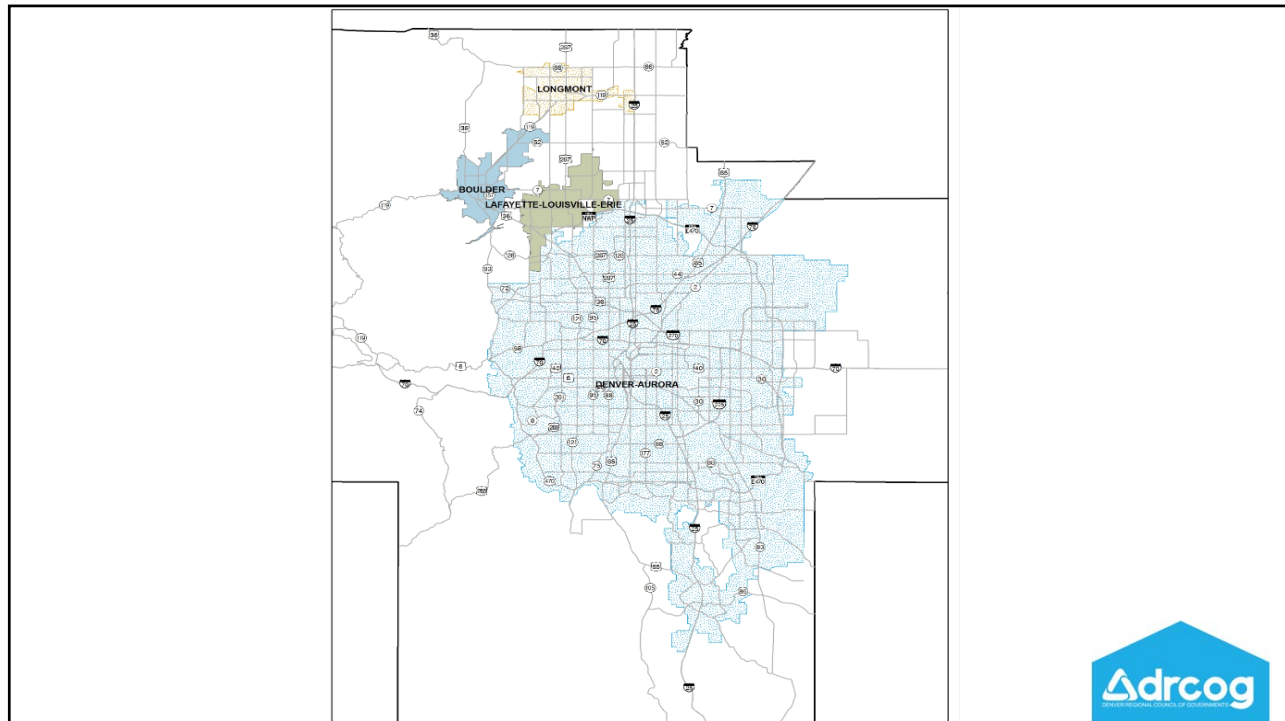
- Funds projects to increase mobility of older adults and individuals with disabilities (just under \$2 million annually in Denver region)
 - Operating Expenses
 - Mobility Management
 - Capital Investment
 - Vehicles
 - Small Infrastructure



Eligible Activities

- Meet specific needs of targeted populations when existing transit is insufficient, inappropriate, or unavailable
- Exceed Americans with Disabilities Act requirements
- Improve fixed route access & decrease paratransit reliance
- Offer alternatives to public transit





Desired Outcomes

- Ensure more/better service is provided to vulnerable populations
- Reduce administrative and service duplication
- Break down silos between different funding sources, providers, jurisdictions, trip purposes, etc.
- Efficiently use taxpayer dollars to provide life-sustaining mobility





Benefits of DRCOG Administering FTA 5310

- Coordinate planning
 - DRCOG MPO function
 - Coordinated Transit Plan
- Coordinate and integrate multiple funding sources:
 - FTA 5310
 - Older Americans Act/Older Coloradans Act
 - 2020-2023 TIP Human Services Transportation Set-Aside
- Blend/leverage funding sources to reduce match requirements
 - OAA can be used as match for 5310
- Integrate coordinated funding with service technology tools (VTCLI project)
- Combine application, contract & auditing process among 3 funding sources



Coordinated Transportation Model (Administration)

