

Draft 2024 Coordinated Public Transit- Human Services Transportation Plan

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COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT- HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PLAN

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Coordinated Plan: Near-Term Planning



- Federal coordinated planning requirement
- Updated every four years
- Focus on low-income populations, older adults, and people with disabilities
- Sets regional funding priorities and coordination strategies
- In keeping with MTC's Equity Platform

What is in the Coordinated Plan?

Through extensive engagement and research:

- Demographic information
- Transportation Resource Inventory and Funding Summary
- Outreach summary and transportation gaps
- Recommended strategies and implementation for MTC and partners



Summary Demographics and Findings



Demographics

- Bay Area population with disability: **11%**; Ambulatory difficulty: **5.1%**
- People aged 18 to 64 with disabilities **use local transit for a higher share of trips** than people without disabilities
- Marin, Sonoma, Napa: **Least populated with highest proportion of older adults**

Findings

- Disabled transit users **cite lack of reliable transportation** as top issue
- Older adult transit users cite **lack of information** and **fear of using transit**
- All populations **desire greater access to leisure activities**
- Transit support is essential for **mobility management success**
- **Improving bus stops accessibility** is crucial to expanding transit use
- Funding remains a critical barrier for improving mobility

Recommended Regional Strategies

1. Designate a Mobility Manager in every county 🕒
 - Build on current county-based mobility management efforts around the region
2. Identify sustainable funding for service and mobility management 🕒
 - MTC administer TNC Access for All programs
 - Develop new funding policies for regionwide fund sources
3. Improve transportation access to healthcare 🕒
 - Support Medi-Cal transportation legislation to increase transit funding and non-emergency medical trip pilots
 - Develop new funding policies for regionwide fund sources

🕒 *Recommended in previous Coordinated Plans*



Recommended Regional Strategies

4. Support paratransit improvements 🕒
 - Continue accessibility efforts of the Transformation Action Plan and administer new RED for transit agencies
5. Support accessibility of shared and future mobility 🕒
 - Leverage funding to provide accessible on-demand trips and partner with jurisdictions and private companies to serve transportation disadvantaged
6. Identify and fill equity gaps 🕒
 - Implement equity-focused pilots; create equity KPIs; and explore increasing means-based programs

🕒 *Recommended in previous Coordinated Plans*



Recommended Regional Strategies

7. Support infrastructure improvements to increase transportation equity and accessibility
 - Bus stop improvement programs and streetscape data
 - Create regional accessibility standards
 - Pilot web and smartphone apps for paratransit
 - Increase accessibility requirements for funding programs
8. Support emergency preparedness efforts
 - Continuing cooperative planning with jurisdictions
 - Extend disaster service worker credentials to paratransit staff





Next Steps

Spring 2024
Draft plan release

30-Day
Public
comment
period

Late Summer
Planning Committee
Commission