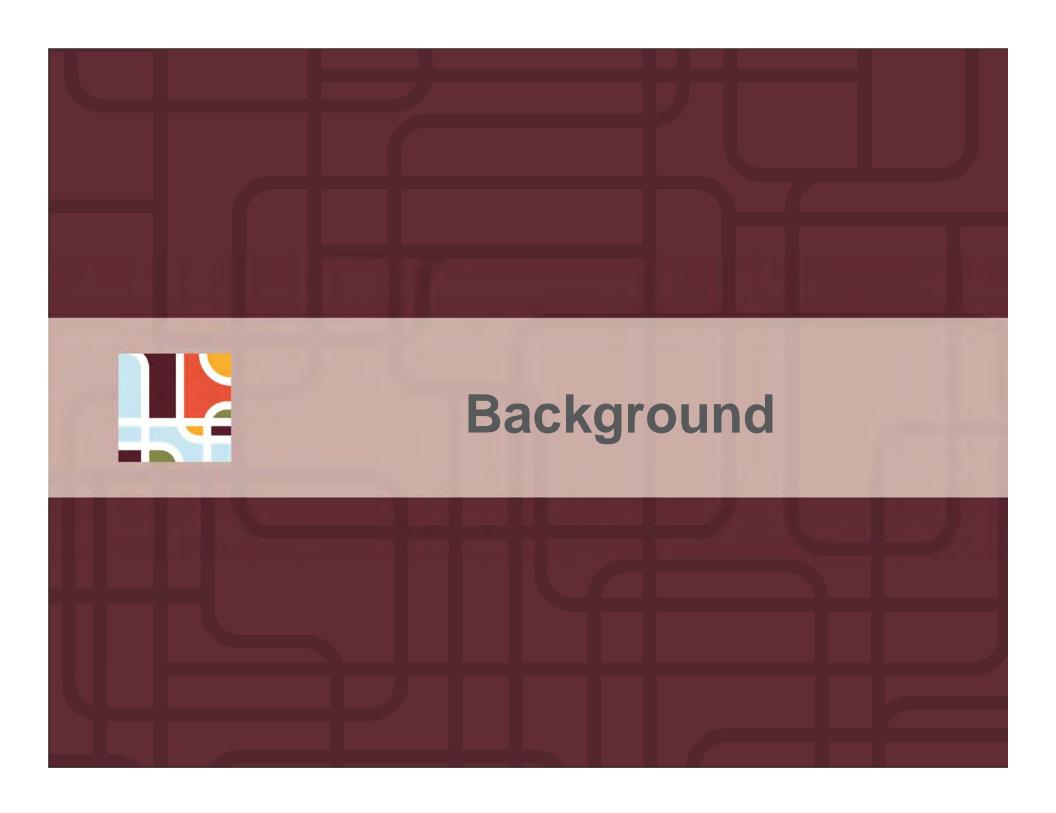




# Greater Region Mobility Initiative

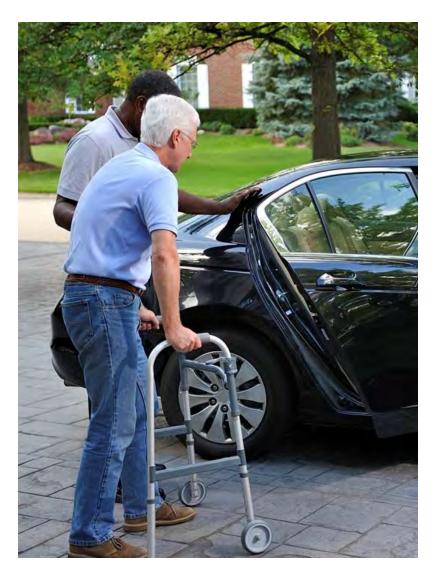
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# Background

- Americans are getting older
- Outlive ability to drive by eight years
- Aging in place
- Medical conditions limit ability to drive





### Background

- Danger of isolation
- Community engagement
- Independence
- Inadequate transportation is a major problem for people with disabilities

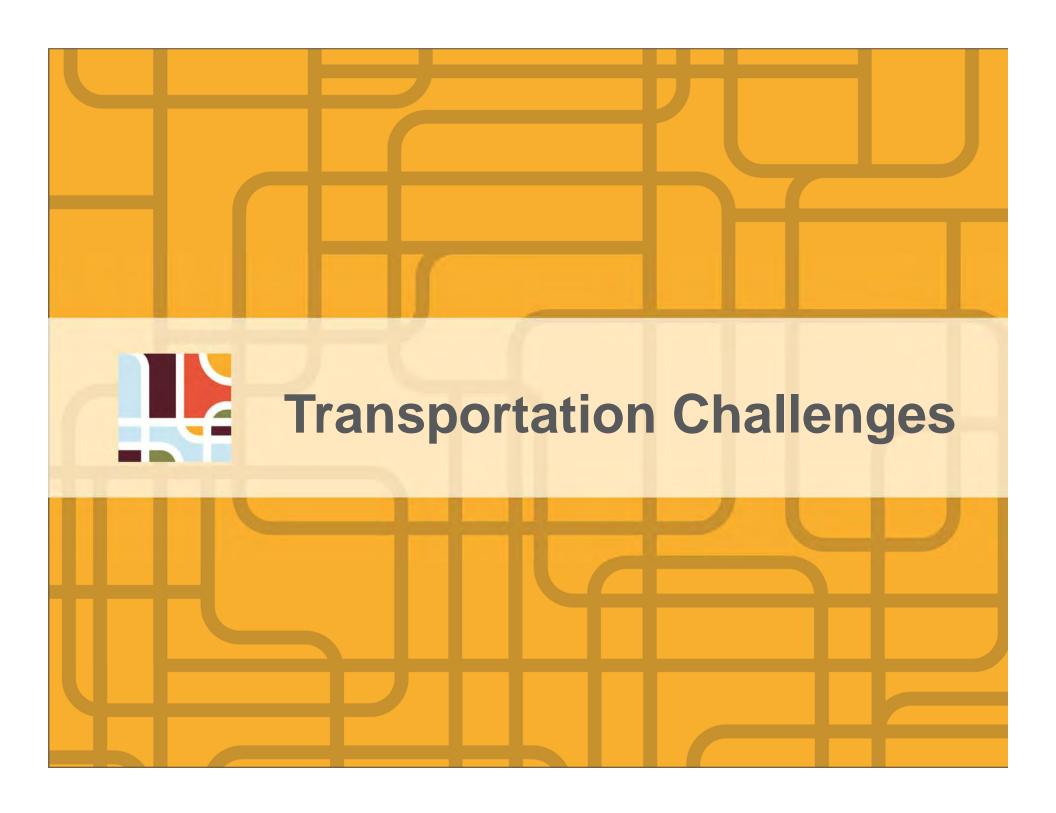


#### Background

- Ohio has...
  - 88 counties
  - 14 State Agencies that invest in Health and Human Service Transportation
  - 62 Counties with Public Transit
  - 40 Counties with Public
    Health and Human Service
    Transportation
  - 25 Mobility Managers







# **Transportation Challenges**

- Crossing jurisdictional boundaries
- Duplication of services
- Lack of coordination and collaboration
- Inefficiencies in the system





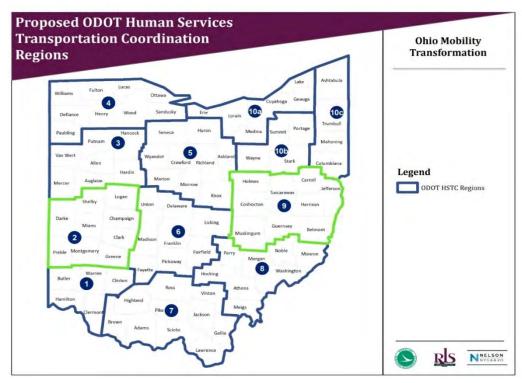
#### Solutions

- Human services coordinated transportation plan
  - Allows local communities to examine transportation resources and options
- Identify local needs
- Determine priorities, goals, and strengths





 Address challenges of coordinating transportation services for the elderly and disabled populations in the nine county area







- Requires direct participation of seniors, people with disabilities, and general public
- Identify projects to purchase specialized vehicles

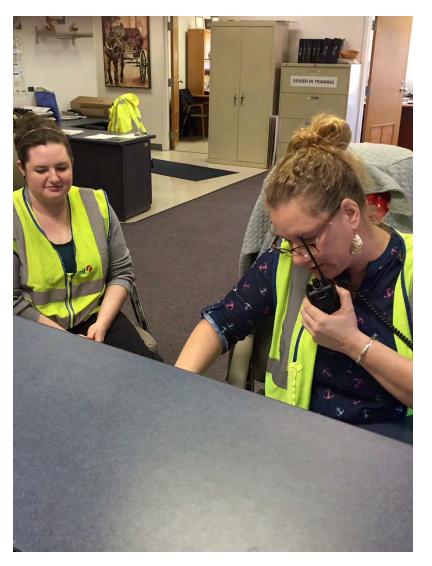






# **Progress**

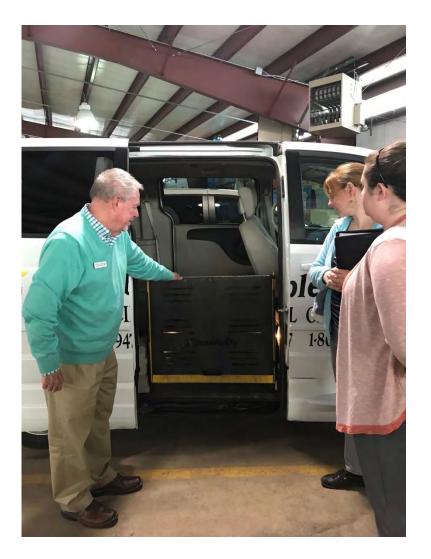
- Established satellite office at Catholic Social Services in Sidney, Shelby County
- Shadowed each mobility manager across nine county region
- Attended over 40 meetings to build network



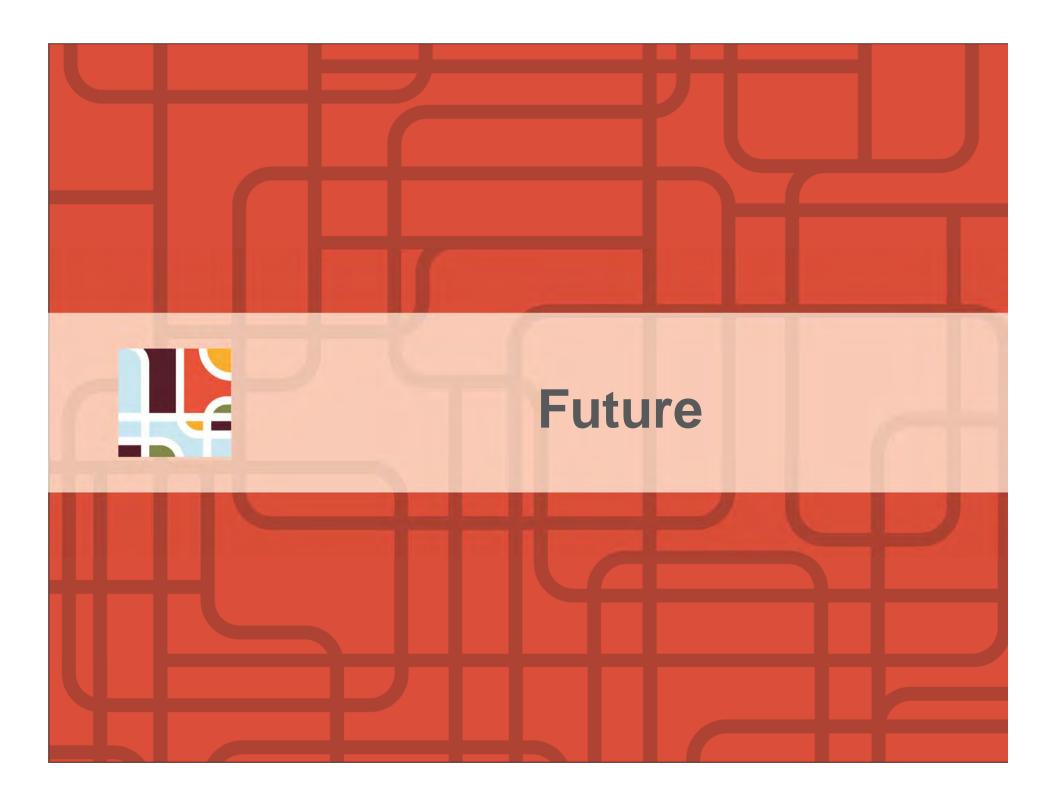


#### **Progress**

- Participated in "ride alongs" in Champaign, Logan and Miami Counties
- Developed invitation list of for participants of Greater Region Coordination Council (GRCC)
- Created agenda for GRCC
- Communicates weekly with ODOT







#### **Future**

- Success of first GRCC meeting
- Development and implementation of the GRTC Plan
- Continued networking
- Participation in driver trainings



