



Human Services Transportation Coordination (HSTC) Plan Update

July 2019 Technical Advisory Committee



 Required by Federal regulations, MVRPC adopted it's first Human Services Transportation Coordination (HSTC) Plan in April 2008, and updated it in April 2012

 Applications for Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) funding are dependent on the plan

Plan is activated through work with the HSTC Council



HSTC Plan Vision

The purpose of coordination efforts should be to create a transparent and customer-friendly regional transportation system made up of a variety of transportation operators, funders and providers that matches a particular trip need with the lowest-cost, most appropriate transportation option.





HSTC Plan Update - Process

- July 2018 Hired RLS & Associates
- July-September 2018 Demographic Analysis, Provider Inventory, Transit Asset Management Plan
- October 2018 Input meetings and Focus Groups
- November 2018 HSTC Council workshop
- February 2019 Draft Plan Update published
- May-June 2019 Final Plan Update published with open public comment period



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Big picture changes to transportation landscape

- Car sharing, ride sharing
- Recognition that land use patterns affect ability to Age in Place
- Expectations of mobility for employment (county-tocounty commutes, moving and retraining for changing jobs)
- Technology enabling Mobility as a Service





HSTC Plan Update – Transportation Disadvantaged

Our understanding of who is Transportation Disadvantaged has broadened:

- People who are elderly, people with disabilities, people with low income
- People who live far from services
- People with short term health and recovery needs
- People who do not have a license to drive





HSTC Plan Update – Prioritizing Needs

Improve Access to Services



- · Coordinate grant writing
- Organize or expand volunteer driver network
- Explore partnerships to improve the affordability of transit for low-income individuals
- Develop free public community shuttles to critical services

Improve Access to Employment



 Improve public awareness of the available transportation services in each county

Enhance
Transportation
for Seniors and
Individuals with
Disabilities



- Implement standardized driver training and performance measures for organizations that provide transportation for target populations
- Consider subsidy program to support income based fares for target populations

Improve Access to Healthcare, Treatment and Recovery



- Plan for a brokerage to provide non-Medicaid eligible NEMT trips
- Fund a one-call safety net for transportation for high-risk patients

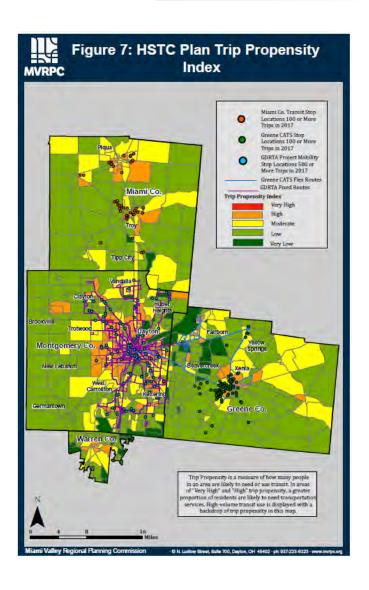
Promote Capacity and Information Sharing



 Create a coordinated approach to recruit drivers for programs in all counties



HSTC Plan Update – Goals for Coordination Work



Goal 1 – Increase the level of coordination among transportation providers to improved access to medical care, employment, and food

Goal 2 – Provide more transportation service through new or expanded programs

Goal 3 – Recruit and train more paid and volunteer drivers

Goal 4 – Improve public awareness of transportation services including programs to orient individuals to using transportation services



