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Larimer County Senior Transportation Needs Report Update

Larimer County's *Senior Transportation Needs Report* is expected to be completed by June 2017. The report is satisfying a goal from Larimer County's 2013-2018 Strategic Plan, which states "an evaluation of the transportation needs and challenges for seniors living in unincorporated Larimer County will be completed. Existing and new options for addressing those needs and challenges will be identified, prioritized, and implemented." Four focus groups are being held throughout the County as part of the process.

The first focus group was held on February 7 in Red Feather Lakes. A second focus group was held on February 21 in Estes Park. Two more focus groups will be held in March in Berthoud and Laporte. These focus groups are discussing the current and future transportation needs of the senior populations living in unincorporated Larimer County.

At the Red Feather Lakes focus group, attendees stated there was interest in a bus route between Red Feather Lakes and Fort Collins. Although the feedback was from a small sample size, this is an important item to study further as part of the Larimer County *Senior Transportation Needs Report*.

Attendees at the Estes Park focus group discussed the weather and topography challenges seniors in the area face. They expressed an interest in expanding the service area and vehicle type of the existing Via Mobility service to address these challenges as well as proposing other volunteer driver programs both within the Estes area and to destinations including Denver, Fort Collins, and Boulder. There was a desire for increased education on existing services to improve trip planning.

2017 Coordinated Plan Update

As part of the planning process, NFRMPO staff has set up an outreach program to garner input on the existing services, needs, and the gaps between the two. The outreach program will consider feedback and input from older adults and people with disabilities, the organizations which provide care and transportation, and the caregivers who assist these populations.

The outreach program will have NFRMPO staff attend Senior Advisory Boards, Commissions on Disabilities, Transportation Advisory Boards, and other pertinent community organization meetings. NFRMPO staff will have booths at local events throughout the summer, similar to past years. Additionally, the Coordinated Plan must be recommended for approval by Council from both the Larimer County and Weld County Mobility Committees. As a result, the Coordinated Plan is a standing item at the bi-monthly LCMC and WCMC meetings.

Throughout the outreach process, NFRMPO staff will compile the feedback and identify the goals, strategies, and priorities for the Mobility Committees over the next four years. More information about the Coordinated Plan can be found at <http://bit.ly/2m2WQvL>.

Rider's Guide Updates

More than 190 users have logged onto the online service to find potential service matches since January 1, 2017, with 89 percent of users being new. To request printed Rider's Guides, contact Alex Gordon at agordon@nfrmpo.org or (970) 416-2023.

Larimer County Mobility Committee
Third Thursday every other month
1:30 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.



Weld County Mobility Committee
Fourth Tuesday every other month
1:30 p.m. — 3:00 p.m.

Mobility Management Funding

The NFRMPO Mobility Coordination Program is funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) \$5310 funds.

NFRMPO mobility coordination program activities are centered on education and cooperative resource-sharing to use existing transportation dollars most efficiently. Examples include travel training, cooperative

research, public forums, program implementation, FTA grant administration and public education.

Funding has been secured through September 2017 after NFRMPO staff submitted applications for \$5310 funds to both CDOT for Weld County and Fort Collins on behalf of the Fort Collins-Loveland-Berthoud TMA.



Larimer County Mobility Committee

- ARC of Larimer County
- Berthoud Area Transportation Services - BATS
- Dial-A-Ride Advisory Committee - DARTAC
- City of Fort Collins Transfort
- City of Loveland Transit - COLT
- CO Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
- Columbine Healthcare Systems
- Senior Alternatives in Transportation - SAINT
- Foothills Gateway
- Larimer Center for Mental Health
- Larimer County Dept. of Health & Environment
- Larimer County Office on Aging
- Larimer County Workforce
- Loveland Disability Advisory Commission

Weld County Mobility Committee

- Colorado Department of Labor and Employment
- Connections for Independent Living
- Envision
- Greeley Center for Independence
- Greeley-Evans Transit GET
- North Range Behavioral Health
- Senior Resource Services
- Sunrise Community Health
- United Way of Weld County
- Weld Advocacy Network on Disabilities WAND

A vertical advertisement with a blue background. At the top, it says "NEED A RIDE?" in large white letters. Below that is an orange banner with the text "noco.findmyride.info" and a small "findmyride" logo. Underneath is a row of six small photos of diverse people. The bottom half of the ad features a large white circle with the text "NEW & EXPANDED 2016 Rider's Guide Currently Available". Below the circle, it says "North Front Range MPO RIDERS GUIDE" and includes the NFRMPO logo.

A horizontal advertisement with a blue background. It features a grid of nine small images showing various transportation services: a person in a wheelchair, a person using a walker, a van, a person in a wheelchair, a person sitting at a desk, a bus, a person in a wheelchair, a person in a wheelchair, and a person in a wheelchair. To the right of the grid, it says "The NFRMPO Coordinated Public Transit /Human Services Transportation Plan" and "December 2013". At the bottom, it says "Learn about the NFRMPO's Mobility Coordination goals and strategies" and provides the website "www.nfrmpo.org/mobility".



For additional meeting details including agendas, notes & meeting location, visit nfrmpo.org/mobility