

MOBILITY COORDINATION

SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

Larimer Receives NADTC grant for Phase II —

The Larimer County Senior Transportation Work Group has received funding from the National Aging and Disability Transportation



Center (NADTC) for Phase II of the <u>Project MILES</u> (Mobility Inclusiveness; Locations Everywhere; Simple.) Project. Phase II will be led by the Partnership for Age-Friendly Communities in Larimer County (PAFC) and the Larimer County Office on Aging (LCOA) in partnership with the NFRMPO, ride providers, RouteMatch, and Via Mobility Services.

The focus of Phase II is to test a working call center for ride providers in southern Larimer County. Via Mobility Services, a non-profit transportation provider based in Boulder County and providing demand-response services in Estes Park, currently operates a large call center. Via has agreed to join the project and to provide staff support from the call center.

The grant was awarded in March 2019 and is expected to be complete by August 2019. The Senior Transportation Work Group will draft a report about successes and lessons learned, which will be incorporated into the <u>Larimer County Senior Transportation Implementation Plan</u>.

Bustang fares to increase

Starting in May 2019, Bustang will implement a fare increase on all lines. Fares from downtown Fort Collins and Harmony Transfer Center will increase from \$10 to \$11, while fares from Loveland will increase from \$9 to \$10. Senior and disabled fares will not be impacted by this increase.

The fare increase is scheduled to become effective Sunday, May 19, 2019.

Comments are currently being accepted on the <u>ridebustang.com</u> website.

Greeley Evans Transit website updated

Based on feedback from riders, the GET website was updated to be more user-friendly. Specifically, the GET team



updated the website to be more accessible to ereaders and other devices allowing visually-impaired individuals better access to the website.

CASTA Initiates Certified Transit Driver Program

The Colorado Association of Transit Agencies (CASTA) initiated a Certified Transit Driver Program (CTDP) to provide additional training, networking opportunities, and additional skills, and set transit drivers up for career advancement. The CASTA Board of Director appointed an advisory board with input from CASTA staff to oversee the program.

To be eligible, the driver must have driven at least 2,100 hours, have no preventable accidents in the past 1,300 driving hours, have a stellar attendance record, and completed an application form.

The program consists of qualified training electives, maintain no preventable accidents and an acceptable attendance record while in the program, and attend in-person training. These requirements can be met over time because there is currently no time limit.

For more information, visit the CASTA website: https://coloradotransit.com/



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What is the Mobility Coordination Program?— Mobility Coordination program activities are centered on education and cooperative resource-sharing to use existing transportation dollars most efficiently. NFRMPO Examples include travel training, cooperative research, public forums, program implementation, FTA grant administration and public education. The NFRMPO Mobility Coordination Program is funded with Federal Transit Administration (FTA) §5310 funds. Funding has been secured for §5310 funds from both CDOT for Weld County and Fort Collins on behalf of the Fort Collins-Loveland-Berthoud TMA.

Rider's Guide Updates—More than 110 users have logged onto the online service to find potential service matches since January 1, 2019, with 99.1 percent of users being new. To request printed Rider's Guides, contact Alex Gordon at **agordon@nfrmpo.org** or (970) 416-2023. The online Rider's Guide is available at **noco.findmyride.info**.

Upcoming Meeting Schedule

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Committee Members

LCMC Meeting

Larimer County M	obility Committee		
Arc of Larimer County	Berthoud Area Transportation System		
Rural Alternative for Transportation	City of Loveland Transit		
CO Division of Voc. Rehab	Elderhaus		
Foothills Gateway	Heart&SOUL Paratransit		
LC Department of Health and Environment, Built Environment	LC Office on Aging		
LC Workforce Center	SAINT		
Transfort			

Weld County Mobility Committee Meets the fourth Thursday of every other month.				
Arc of Weld County	CO Division of Voc. Rehab			
Connections for Independent Living/WAND	Envision Colorado			
Greeley Evans Transit	North Range Behavioral Health			
Senior Resource Services	Sunrise Community Health			
United Way of Weld County				

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