

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE/
SOCIAL SERVICES TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL
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AGENDA *

**Actions may be taken on any item listed on the agenda*

10:30 A.M.

Thursday, October 6, 2011

COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER
4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92501
Conference Room A

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 12, 2011**
- 5. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS** *(The Committee may add an item to the Agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Committee. If there are less than 2/3 of the Committee members present, adding an item to the agenda requires a unanimous vote. Added items will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.)*

6. FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION WORKSHOP FOR SPECIALIZED TRANSIT

Overview

This item is for the Committee to receive an oral report on the upcoming Financial Administration Workshop for recipients of JARC/NF and Measure A grant awards under the 2011 Universal Call for Specialized Transit Program.

7. TRANSIT PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT AND STANDARDS

Overview

This item is for the Committee to receive an oral report on the issues regarding transit performance measurement and standards.

8. COORDINATED PLAN

Overview

This item is for the Committee to receive an update on the Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan for Riverside County.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS AND INFORMATION

Overview

This item provides the opportunity for the Committee Members and staff to report on attended and upcoming meetings/conferences and issues related to Committee activities.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The next Citizens Advisory Committee/Social Services Transportation Advisory Council meeting is scheduled to be held in January at the Riverside County Transportation Commission, County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, CA 92501, 3rd Floor, Conference Room A.

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RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
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Minutes
May 12, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair called the Citizens Advisory Committee/Social Services Transportation Advisory Council to order at 1:35 P.M. at the Banning Senior Center, 769 N. San Geronio Avenue, Banning, California 92220.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Jim Collins
Eunice Lovi
Lorelle Moe-Luna
Fortunato Penilla
Sherry Thibodeaux
Mary Venerable

Members Absent

Michelle Anglin
Peter Benavidez
Andrea Puga
Cindy Scheirer

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were approved as submitted.

5. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS

There were no additions/revisions to the agenda.

6. FISCAL YEAR 2011/12 – 2013/14 SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLANS

Fina Clemente, RCTC, provided background information regarding the Short Range Transit Plans that cover the three apportionment areas of the county and are comprised of plans for the cities of Banning, Beaumont, Corona, Riverside, the Palo Verde Valley Transit Agency, the Riverside Transit Agency, SunLine Transit Agency, and the Commission's Regional Commuter Rail Program.

Presentations were made by each transit operator.

M/S/C (Venerable/Penilla) to recommend approval FY 2011/12 – 2013/14 Short Range Transit Plans in concept to the Commission.

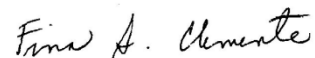
7. COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS AND INFORMATION

Deferred due to time constraint.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration by the Citizens Advisory Committee/Social Services Transportation Advisory Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Fina Clemente
Transit Program Manager

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An oral presentation will be made.

AGENDA ITEM 7

An oral presentation will be made.

AGENDA ITEM 8

RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

DATE:	October 6, 2011
TO:	Citizens Advisory Committee/Social Services Transportation Advisory Council
FROM:	Martha Durbin, Staff Analyst Josefina Clemente, Transit Program Manager
THROUGH:	Robert Yates, Multimodal Services Director
SUBJECT:	Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan for Riverside County (Coordinated Plan) Update

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

This item is for the Citizens Advisory Committee/Social Services Transportation Advisory Council to receive an update on the Coordinated Plan.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

With the passage of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), the following two funding sources for transit service have been available and utilized by Riverside County operators:

- 1) Jobs Access Reverse Commute (JARC) (Section 5316) program provides funding for the development and maintenance of job access projects to transport welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals to and from work during non-peak hours as well as supply reverse commute options for workers in suburban areas; and
- 2) New Freedom (Section 5317) program provides funding for new public transportation services and alternatives for people with disabilities beyond what is required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

In addition, the formula FTA Section 5310 Elderly and Disabled Specialized Transit capital-only program is dedicated to specialized transit to serve the elderly and persons with disabilities, where public transit is otherwise unavailable, insufficient, or inappropriate. Funds for this program are used for accessible vans and buses, computer hardware and software, and communication equipment.

In accordance with the provisions of SAFETEA-LU, recipients under these programs must comply with all federal coordinated planning requirements to be eligible for funds. The reauthorization stipulates that projects selected for funding under these programs must be derived from a locally developed Coordinated Plan. Moreover, the Coordinated

Plan must be prepared through a process that includes representatives of public, private, nonprofit transportation and human service providers.

The Coordinated Plan must include the following elements:

- An assessment of available services that identifies current transportation providers (public, private, and nonprofit);
- An assessment of transportation needs for individuals with disabilities, older adults, and persons of low income. This assessment can be based on the experiences and perceptions of the planning partners or on more sophisticated data collection efforts;
- Strategies, activities, and/or projects to address the identified gaps between current services and needs as well as opportunities to improve efficiencies in service delivery; and
- Priorities for implementation based on resources, time, and feasibility for implementing specific strategies and/or activities.

DISCUSSION:

On April 9, 2008, the Commission approved and adopted the Coordinated Plan. Planning for coordinated human services transportation in the year 2011 is notably different from the 2008 planning process when the Coordinated Plan was originally developed. The economic struggles in California and across the United States have left a mark on all transportation agencies, no matter their level of financial stability. Nowhere has this impact been felt more than in the realm of human services transportation.

The United States Department of Transportation's proposed planning rules indicate that coordinated plans should be updated every 4 years to maintain consistency with other transportation planning requirements. The 2011 update is aimed at revisiting the goals, objectives and initiatives identified in the original plan.

Coordinated Plan goals are as follows:

- 1) Establish leadership and infrastructure to promote coordination within and between public transit agencies and human service organizations;
- 2) Build capacity to meet the demand for specialized transportation needs of a growing population;
- 3) Promote information portals to enable many points of access to transportation information responsive to varying client/consumer needs; and
- 4) Promote coordination policy at regional, state, and federal levels.

These goals are designed to guide public transit and human service organizations in the creation of a coordinated framework to deploy initiatives that address the transportation needs of seniors, persons with disabilities, and persons of low income.

The next steps for the Coordinated Plan Update process are:

- December 2011 – Complete update of the database of transportation agencies in Riverside County
- January 2012 – Conduct public scoping sessions in Coachella, Blythe, Western Riverside and Banning/Beaumont areas
- March 2012 – Incorporate public input into Coordinated Plan and create draft update
- April 2012 – Finalize Coordinated Plan Update
- August 2012 – Begin preparation for FY 2013 Universal Call for Projects
- November 2012 – Open FY 2013 Universal Call
- April 2013 – Announcement of FY 2013 Universal Call Grant Recipients
- July 2013 – Start FY 2013 Call service