Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan: 2012

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Introduction

The Missouri Department of Transportation contracted with the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council (HSTCC) to prepare a plan to improve the coordination and cooperation of transportation providers within the region (Barton, Jasper, Newton and McDonald Counties). Barriers and gaps in services were identified to prepare for future transportation needs in the HSTCC region. The objective of this plan is to meet the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). This federal bill requires grantees under the Section 5317: New Freedom Initiative, Section 5316: Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC), and Section 5310 Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program to meet certain requirements in order to receive federal funding for fiscal year 2013 and beyond. One of the requirements of SAFETEA-LU was the creation of a locally developed coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan.

This plan has been developed in agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation to meet the requirements of SAFETEA-LU and assist the region in identifying future transportation needs. The plan was developed by Harry S Truman Coordinating Council with representation from local governmental, public, and private interests.

The following key elements are proposed by the Federal Transit Administration when developing the plan:

- Identify current transportation providers
- Identify transportation needs for older adults, people with low income, and individuals with disabilities
- Identify strategies to address gaps in service
- Prioritize strategies for implementing specific strategies/activities based on resources, time, and feasibility

As part of this planning process a two page survey (See Appendix) was sent out to 30 transit providers identified in the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council Region. The survey was used to conduct an inventory of available transit service in the region as well as identified where gaps and duplication of service may exist. The survey had a response rate of 53 percent.

The public forum was conducted on August 23, 2012 to allow area transportation partners to review the survey results, voice their individual needs or ideas, participate in the prioritization of plan strategies, and network with other public transit and human service transportation partners.

Overview of Federal Funding

On October 1, 2012, a new federal transportation bill, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21), will take the place of SAFETEA-LU. MAP-21 calls for section 5310 projects "selected by the recipient to be included in a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan." It also requires that the Plan was "developed and approved through a process that included participation by seniors, individuals with disabilities, representatives of public, private, and nonprofit transportation and human services providers and other members of the public" In MAP-21, section 5310 merges sections 5310 and 5317 from SAFETEA-LU.

Upon completion of this Plan, the federal and state DOTs have not published guidelines regarding the MAP-21 transportation bill so specific details of how programs will be managed or implemented are relatively unknown. However, the contents of this plan go above and beyond the requirements of MAP-21 and provide the necessary documentation needed for section 5310 funding.

The following federally funded programs under SAFETEA-LU required projects to be "derived from a locally developed, coordinated public transit-human service transportation plan" and the plan be "developed through a process that includes representatives of public, private, and non-profit transportation and human service providers and participation by members of the public."

Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program: (Section 5310)

Purpose

Provides funding through a formula program to increase mobility for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

Statutory References

49 U.S.C. Section 5310

Features

- Funds allocated by formula to the States for capital costs of providing services to elderly persons and persons with disabilities.
- As in the past, States may sub-allocate funds to private non-profit organizations and to public agencies if they are designated to provide coordinated service.
- A new seven-state pilot program is established for fiscal years 2006 through 2009 to determine whether expanding eligibility to operating assistance would improve services to elderly individuals and individuals with disabilities. States are Wisconsin, Alaska, Minnesota, Oregon, and 3 other States to be selected by the Secretary. Up to 33 percent of each participating State's apportioned 5310 funds may be used for operating expenses. Secretary will require participants to collect data, and use Section 5310 operating funds to do so, for a report to Congress. Operating funds may not exceed 50 percent of operating costs less fares.
- Allows non-federal share to include amounts available for transportation from other federal agencies including Federal Lands Highway Program (section 204 of title 23).
- Increases coordination requirements by requiring that, beginning in FY 2007, projects be on a locally-developed human service transportation coordination plan. That planning process includes representatives of public, private, and nonprofit transportation and human services providers and the public.
- Allows up to 10% of funding to be used by State or local government authority for administrative expenses (including planning and technical assistance).
- Applies grant requirements of Section 5307 to the extent the Secretary determines appropriate.
- Allocation is made on the basis of the number of elderly and persons with disabilities in each state.

Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC): (Section 5316)

Purpose

To provide funding for local programs that offer job access and reverse commute services to provide transportation for low income individuals who may live in the city core and work in suburban locations.

Statutory References

49 U.S.C. Section 5316

Features

- The program, which was an uncodified provision of TEA-21, is codified in Section 5316 of Title 49, United States Code. The program is now entirely funded from the Mass Transit Account of the Highway Trust Fund, but was partially funded with General Funds in 2005 from the extension of TEA-21.
- This is a formula program instead of a discretionary program as was the case in TEA-21. Formula allocations are based on the number of low-income persons.
 - 60% of funds go to designated recipients in areas with populations over 200,000
 - 20% of funds go to States for areas under 200,000
 - -20% of funds go to States for non-urbanized areas
 - States may transfer funds between urbanized and non-urbanized area program
- States and designated recipients must select grantees competitively.
- Projects must be included in a locally-developed human service transportation coordinated plan beginning in FY 2007.
- 10 percent of funds may be used for planning, administration and technical assistance.
- Sources for matching funds are expanded (non-DOT Federal funds can be used as match) to encourage coordination with other programs such as those funded by the Department of Health and Human Services.

New Freedom Initiative: (Section 5317)

Purpose

To encourage services and facility improvements to address the transportation needs of persons with disabilities that go beyond those required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Provides a new formula grant program for associated capital and operating costs.

Statutory References

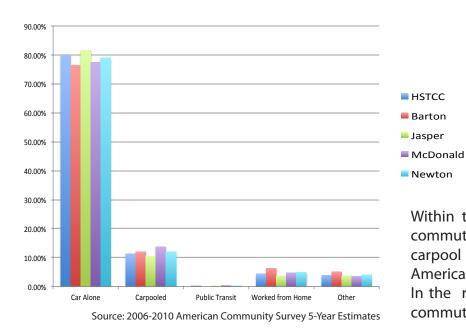
49 U.S.C. Section 5317

Features

- Funds allocated through a formula based upon population of persons with disabilities.
- Allocations to designated recipients in areas over 200,000 (60%), to States for areas under 200,000 (20%) and non-urbanized areas (20%); States may transfer funds to urbanized or non-urbanized area programs as long as funds are used for New Freedom Program purposes.
- States and designated recipients must select grantees competitively.
- Matching share requirements are flexible to encourage coordination with other federal programs that may provide transportation, such as Health and Human Services or Agriculture.
- Projects must be included in a locally-developed human service transportation coordinated plan beginning in FY 2007.
- 10 percent of funds may be used for planning, administration and technical assistance.

Regional Transportation Trends

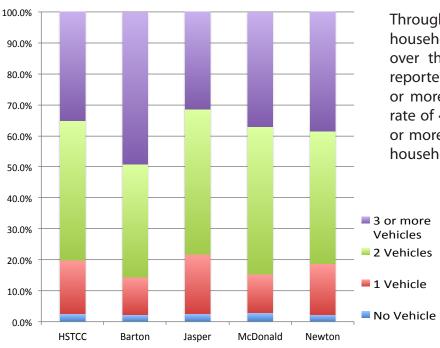
Commute to Work





Within the HSTCC region 80% of individuals commute to work by driving alone and 11% carpool to work according to the 2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. In the region approximately 0.17% of people commute to work using public transit.

Household Car Availability



Throughout the entire HSTCC region 45% of households had 2 vehicles available for workers over the age of 16 in 2010. Barton County reported the highest rate of households with 3 or more vehicles available per household at a rate of 49%. The majority of households have 2 or more cars available and only 2.5% of HSTCC households have no vehicles available.



Source: 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

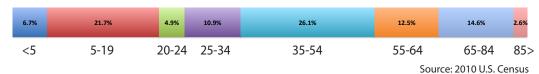
Assessment of Transportation Needs

Individual County Demographics

Barton County:

Age-

17.2% of Barton County residents were 65 and older compared with 14.0% statewide. The proportion of young people under 18 in the county (25.9%) was greater than the state (23.8%).



Low Income-

The percentage of families in poverty in 2010 at 11.3% was higher than the state rate of 10.0%. Also the number of people in poverty at 15.7% in 2010 was higher than the state at 14.0%. The number of people in poverty in Barton County in 2010 increased by 2.9% from 12.8% in 2002. The rate of children in poverty in Barton County at 19.1% is slightly lower than the state rate of 19.3% and increased from 13.9% in 2000.

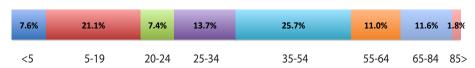
Disabilities-

The most recent data for Barton County indicates that 17.1% of individuals age 16-64 had a disability in the year 2000. Among the population age 65 and older, 41.6% of the population reported having a disability. The state population with a disability was consistent with Barton County. The number of individuals ages 16-64 with a disability was 17.5% in 2000 and 42.6% of individuals age 65 and older.

Jasper County:

Age-

13.4% of Jasper County residents were 65 and older compared with 14.0% statewide. The proportion of young people under 18 in the county (25.8%) was greater than the state (23.8%).



Low Income-

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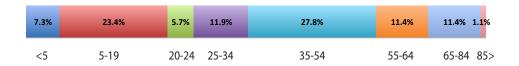
Disabilities-

In 2010 43.7% of persons age 65 and older in Jasper County reported having a disability and decreased by 14.2% from 2000. The number of individuals age 65 and older with a disability in Missouri was 38.7% in 2010. Among the working age population in Jasper County, 10.0% of individuals have a disability and 6.4% of individuals within the state labor force reported having a disability.

McDonald County:

Age-

12.5% of McDonald County residents were 65 and older compared with 14.0% statewide. The proportion of young people under 18 in the county (28.1%) was greater than the state (23.8%).



Low Income-

In 2010 the number of families in poverty was 9.5% of the McDonald County population and slightly lower than 10% of families in poverty across the state. The number of individuals in poverty within the county was 15.3% in 2010 and higher than the state poverty rate of individuals at 14%. The number of children in poverty in 2010 at 19.4% was consistent with the state's children in poverty at 19.3%.

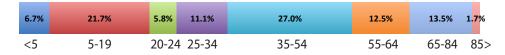
Disabilities-

In 2010 41.4% of persons age 65 and older in McDonald County reported having a disability and decreased by 16.0% from 2000. The number of individuals with a disability age 65 and older in Missouri was 38.7% in 2010. Among the working age population in Jasper County, 13.6% of individuals have a disability and 6.4% of individuals within the state labor force reported having a disability.

Newton County:

Age-

15.2% of Newton County residents were 65 and older greater than 14.0% statewide. The proportion of young people under 18 in the county (25.4%) was greater than the state (23.8%).



Low Income-

The percentage of families in poverty in Newton County in 2010 at 12.4% was higher than the state rate of 10.0%. Also the number of people in poverty at 16.3% in 2010 was higher than the state at 14.0%. The number of people in poverty in Newton County in 2010 increased by 4.7% from 11.6% in 2000. The rate of children in poverty in Newton County at 25.6% is higher than the state rate of 19.3% and increased from 14.2% in 2000.

Disabilities-

In 2010 41.3% of persons age 65 and older in Newton County reported having a disability and decreased by 12.9% from 2000. The number of individuals with a disability age 65 and older in Missouri was 38.7% in 2010. Among the working age population in Jasper County, 10.5% of individuals have a disability and 6.4% of individuals within the state labor force reported having a disability.

Assessment of Need Groups

Seniors

Increasing mobility options is important for those who can no longer drive. Nearly one in five U.S. seniors do not drive and these individuals frequently rely on walking and public transportation in order to obtain their basic needs. There are several barriers in the physical environment that make walking difficult including:

- High traffic speeds
- Uneven or irregular sidewalks
- Long intersection crossings
- · Lack of shade
- Shortage of places to stop and rest
- Irregular or insufficient transit service

Vehicular safety is also a major health issue for seniors. Studies have shown that seniors are more likely to be killed in a motor vehicle accident than other age groups. Injuries from accidents are also complicated by age. Finding ways to reduce accidents can make life for senior citizens much healthier.



Change in Senior Population 2000-2010									
	P	Population Age 65-84					Popul	ation 85+	
County			Change 20	000-2010				Change 20	000-2010
	2010	2000	Number	Percent		2010	2000	Number	Percent
Harry S Truman									
Coordinating Council	25,863	22,994	2,869	11.1%		3,727	3,329	398	10.7%
Barton	1,809	1,759	50	2.8%		323	306	17	5.3%
Jasper	13,575	12,587	988	7.3%		2,139	1,843	296	13.8%
McDonald	2,628	2,153	475	18.1%		259	287	-28	-9.8%
Newton	7,851	6,495	1,356	17.3%		1,006	893	113	11.2%

Source: 2000 & 2010 U.S. Census

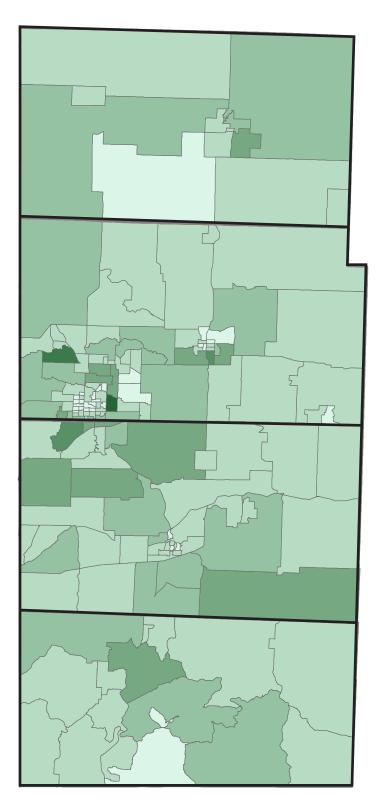
The total number of seniors within the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council increased by 11%. McDonald and Newton Counties experienced the greatest increase in individuals age 65-84. Jasper and Newton Counties experienced the greatest increase in seniors age 85 and over. McDonald County was the only county that experienced a decrease in senior population with a 9.8% decrease in individuals age 85 and over between 2000 and 2010. The senior population will continue to be an important focus group as the number of seniors grows in coming years.

Percent Change By Selected Age Cohorts Harry S Truman Coordinating Council

18.1% 20.0% 17 3% 13.8% 15.0% 11.2% 10.0% 7 3% Population 5.3% Age 65-84 5.0% 2.8% Population 0.0% 85+ Barton McDonald Jasper Newton -5.0% -10.0% -15.0%

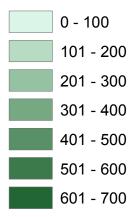
Source: 2000 & 2010 U.S. Census

Harry S Truman Coordinating Council Number of People Age 65 and Over, 2010

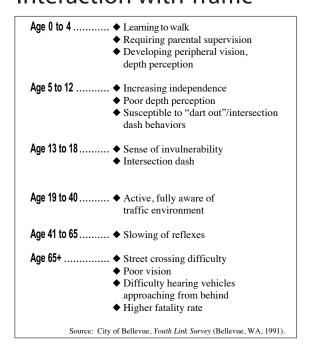


Source: 2010 U.S. Census

Number of Seniors



Impacts of Age on Interaction with Traffic



*Data provided at the census block group level



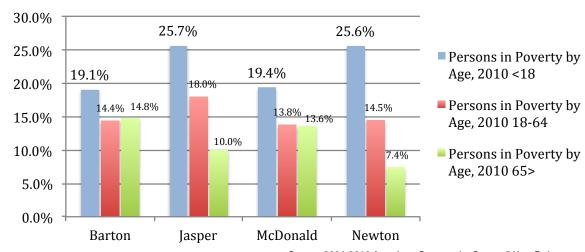
Low Income

Low-income populations are especially at risk for poor health. Poverty often leads to poor heath, as there is often a lack of funds for healthy food choices, proper health care and recreational activities that provide physical activity (i.e. joining a health club or soccer league). Neighborhoods with higher than average levels of poverty also tend to be the ones with the least recreational infrastructure, the most unsafe streets for walking (physically and due to crime) and the poorest access to health care services and healthy food options. Since many low-income residents do not have access to a car, this lack of access, becomes an even more pressing concern. Ensuring that residents have equitable access to transportation options that provides access to their needs will be a component of the plan.

	Population Below Poverty Level, 2000-2010							
		Perso	ns Below F	Poverty Le	vel			
			Change 2000-2010 Percent o					
County	2010	2000	Number	Percent	2010	2000		
HSTCCC	37,139	26,873	10,266	27.6%	17.6%	14.3%		
Barton	1,947	1,607	340	17.5%	15.7%	13.0%		
Jasper	22,189	14,808	7,381	33.3%	18.9%	14.5%		
McDonald	3,531	4,447	-916	-20.6%	15.3%	20.7%		
Newton	9,472	6,011	3,461	36.5%	16.3%	11.6%		

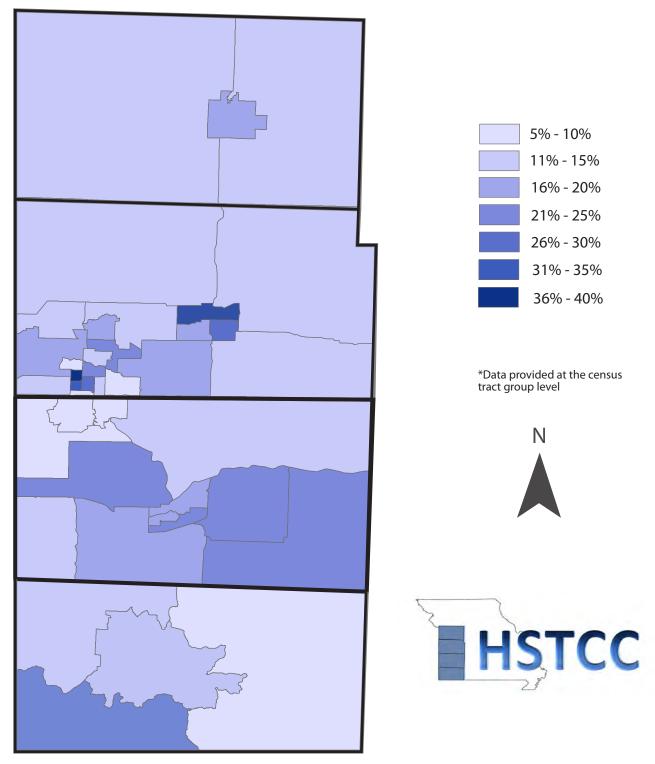
Source: 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Persons in Poverty by Age, 2010 Harry S Truman Coordinating Council



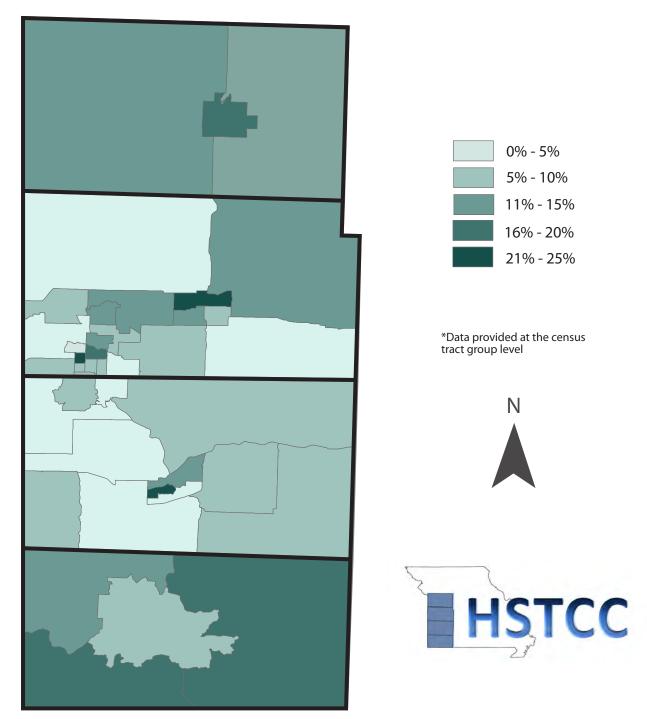
Source: 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Harry S Truman Coordinating Council Percent of Individuals Below Poverty Level, 2010



Source: 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Harry S Truman Coordinating Council Percent of Individuals Age 65 and Over Below Poverty Level, 2010



Source: 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Disabilities

Individuals with disabilities may have fewer options for physical activity due to barriers in the built environment. It is often more difficult to navigate the city and get to daily destinations. People with disabilities are also more at risk of a collision in difficult traffic situations and may recover more slowly when injured. Additionally, they are often at risk of having very low incomes, as their ability to work full time is often limited. This may leave them unable to meet their basic needs and require additional assistance.



Disabled Persons by Age, 2010								
	Disabled Persons 18-64	Disabled Persons Persons 65+		Percent Disabled Persons 65+				
Barton	1,262*	17.1%*	813*	41.6%*				
Jasper	11,681	16.6%	5,839	40.0%				
McDonald	3,093	22.9%	1,167	41.4%				
Newton	5,483	16%	3,520	41.3%				

Source: 2008-2010 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates; *2000 U.S. Census



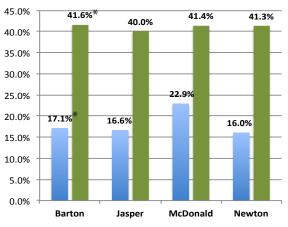
The number of disabled individuals within Jasper, Newton and McDonald Counties has decreased from 2000-2010. Barton County information is depicted with the most recent U.S. Census information from 2000. The average percent of individuals with a disability ages 18-64 was 18% within the HSTCC region. Also, around 40% of individuals age 65 and older had a disability according to the 2000 and 2010 Census.

Disabled Population Age 5 and Over, 2010 Harry S Truman Coordinating Council					
Disabled Population Age 5 and Over					
Location	Number	Percent	Change from 2000		
HSTCC	36,108	17.5%	-2.6%		

Barton 2,202* 19.3%* N/A Jasper 19,225 16.7% -3.8% McDonald 4,762 20.9% -0.1% Newton 9,919 17.2% -2.2%

Source: 2008-2010 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates; *2000 U.S. Census

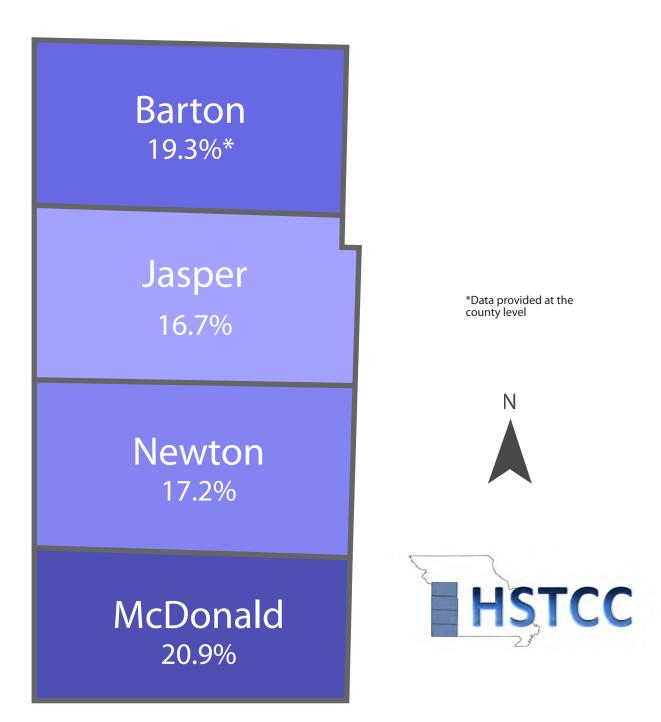
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Harry S Truman Coordinating Council Percent Disabled by County



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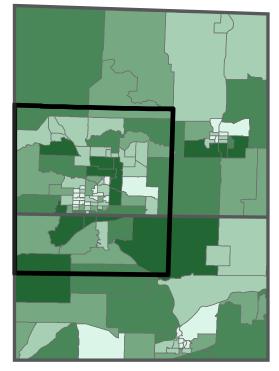
Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO) Demographics

The representation of demographic information within the Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization boundaries was derived utilizing census blocks entirely within JATSO's boundaries and an estimate of the population within census blocks partially located within JATSO boundaries.

Seniors

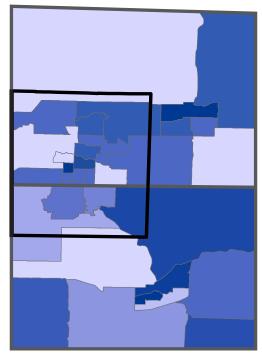
Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO)								
Subject	20	10	2000 Change		nge			
Subject	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent		
Total Persons (Sample Est)	87,975		76,594		11,381	14.9%		
Under 5	6,334	7.2%	5,361	7.0%	973	0.2%		
5-17	15,616	17.7%	13,615	17.8%	2,001	-0.1%		
18-24	9,017	10.3%	8,941	11.7%	76	-1.4%		
25-34	11,085	12.6%	10,164	13.3%	921	-0.7%		
35-54	23,225	26.4%	21,043	27.5%	2,182	-1.1%		
55-64	10,205	11.6%	6,688	8.7%	3,517	2.9%		
65-84	10,909	12.4%	9,386	12.3%	1,523	0.1%		
85 and Over	1,584	1.8%	1,396	1.8%	188	0.0%		
Under 18	21,950	25.0%	18,976	24.8%	2,974	0.2%		
18-64	53,532	60.8%	46,836	61.1%	6,696	-0.3%		
18 and Over	66,025	75.0%	57,617	75.2%	8,408	-0.2%		
65 and Over	12,493	14.2%	10,782	14.1%	1,711	-0.1%		

Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization Percent Age 65 Years and Older



MPO Boundary

Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization Percent Age 65 Years and Older Below Poverty Level

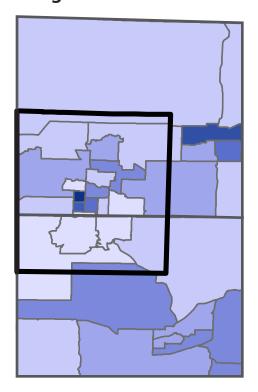


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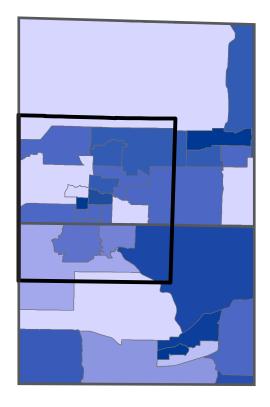
Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO)									
Subject	2010		20	00	Change				
Subject	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent			
Persons for Whom Poverty									
Status Determined	96,270		74,359		21,911				
Poor Persons	17,665	18.30%	9,955	13.4%	7,710	4.90%			
Below 50% of poverty level	6567	6.80%	3,613	4.9%	2,954	1.90%			
Below 185% of poverty level	38254	39.70%	23,903	32.1%	14,351	7.60%			
Persons Under 18 for Whom									
Poverty Status is Determined	26,220		28,424		-2,204				
Below Poverty	5,733	21.90%	3,344	11.8%	2,389	10.10%			
Adults 18-64 Poverty Universe	64.040		45.606		40.222				
	64,919		45,696		19,223	2 = 22 (
Below Poverty	10,311	15.90%	5,679	12.4%	4,632	3.50%			
Persons 65 and Older Poverty									
Universe	13,739		10,195		3,544				
Below Poverty	2,141	15.60%	933	9.1%	1,208	6.50%			

Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization Percent Age 65 Years and Older



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Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization Percent Age 65 Years and Older Below Povery



Disabilities

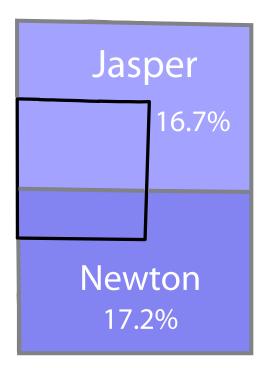
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Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization Percent Disabled Age 5 and Over



MPO Boundary

Quantities reported for the number of disabled individuals in the JATSO region are reported to include the entire counties of Jasper and Newton. Data is presented at the most available level from the 2008-2010 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates and 2000 U.S. Census.

Past Recipients of Federal Funding

The following charts display the recepients of State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2011 funding for the following programs within the HSTCC region: The Missouri Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Assistance Program and Section 5310, Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program.

SFY 2011 Missouri Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Assistance Program (MEHTAP)

MEHTAP Grantee	Address	City	Zip	County
Area Agency on Aging, Region X	P.O. Box 3990	Joplin	64803	Jasper
Barton County Memorial Hospital	29 Northwest 1st Lane	Lamar	64759	Barton
Cerebral Palsy of Tri-County	1401 West Austin	Webb City	64870	Jasper
Community Support Services, Inc.	2312 Annie Baxter Avenue	Joplin	64804	Jasper
Lamar Community Betterment Council Inc.	P.O. Box 224	Lamar	64759	Barton
Ozark Center	P.O. Box 2526	Joplin	64803	Jasper
OATS Inc.	2501 Maguire Blvd, #101	Columbia	65201	Boone
The Independent Living Center, Inc.	2639 East 34th Street	Joplin	64804	Newton

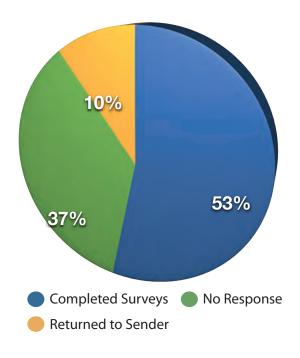
2011 FTA Section 5310 Recipient List: Capital Assistance Program for the Elderly and Disabled Transportation

Grantee	Address	City	Zip	County
Cerebral Palsy of Tri-County	1401 West Austin	Webb City	64870	Jasper
Community Support Sevices	2312 Annie Baxter	Joplin	64804	Jasper
Independent Living In-Home Care	2639 East 34th Street	Joplin	64804	Newton
Ozark Center	P.O. Box 2526	Joplin	64803	Jasper
Royal Oaks Hospital	P.O. Box 2526	Joplin	64803	Jasper
Southwest Missouri Training Center	P.O. Box 205	Neosho	64850	Newton
Sunshine Childrens Home	P.O. Box 713	Carthage	64836	Jasper

SURVEY RESULTS

A survey was distributed to 30 agencies in the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council Region. The survey was distributed through mail, email and posted on the HSTCC website for area service providers. The survey is instrumental in updating an inventory of available service providers in the region.

Transportation service providers and non-transportation service providers completed separate surveys with questions relevant to providing community services or transportation services. The following survey results depict the agencies that responded to the survey.



Available Private, Non-Profit and Public Transportation in the HSTCC Region:

The following agencies identified as a trasnportation service provider or non-transit service provider. Some agencies completed the transportation provider survey and may be more accurately depicted as a non-transit service provider but will be listed based on the survey completed by the agency.

Transportation Service Providers

AAA Taxi

This organization provides taxi services to all individuals within a 300 mile radius in the four state area. The provider operates 14 vehicles 24 hours a day Sunday through Saturday.

Cerebral Palsy of Tri-County

This organization serves disabled or medically sensitive children in the City of Joplin, Webb City, Carthage, and Jasper County. The provider uses a door to door system to serve children age 6 months to 6 years and operates 2 vehicles Monday through Friday.

City of Carthage

This organization serves the elderly, disabled, low-income, youth and general public in the City of Carthage. The provider uses a demand response system to serve clients and operates 2 vehicles Monday through Friday.

City of Lamar

This organization serves the elderly, disabled, low-income, youth and general public in Barton County and the City of Lamar. The provider uses a demand response system to serve clients and operates 4 vehicles Monday through Friday.

Health Care Transit Inc.

This organization serves the elderly, disabled, low-income, youth and general public in 7 counties within Southwest Missouri. The provider uses a demand response and route deviation system to serve clients and operates 14 vehicles Monday through Saturday.

The Independent Living Center

This organization serves the elderly, and disabled in the City of Joplin, Barton County, Jasper County, Newton County, and McDonald County. The provider uses a demand response system to serve clients and operates 1 vehicle Monday through Thursday.

Lafayette House

This organization serves the elderly and low-income individuals in the Barton, Jasper, Newton and McDonald Counties. The provider uses a demand response and route deviation system to serve clients and operates 4 vehicles Monday through Friday.

M.A.P.S. Transit & The Sunshine Lamp Trolley

This organization serves the elderly, disabled, low-income, youth and general public in the City of Joplin, Webb City, Carl Junction, Carterville, portions of Jasper County and portions of Newton County. The provider uses a demand response system to serve clients and operates 12 vehicles Monday through Saturday.

Oakton United Methodist Church

This organization serves individuals of any age and is located in Lamar, Missouri. The provider uses a demand response system to serve clients when volunteers are available.

OATS

This organization serves the elderly, disabled, low-income, youth and general public in Barton, Jasper, Newton and McDonald Counities. The provider uses a demand response system to serve clients and operates 18 vehicles Monday through Friday with contract services available on Saturday and Sunday.

Ozark Center

This organization serves the elderly, disabled, low-income, youth and general public in the City of Joplin, Webb City, Carthage, Lamar, Neosho, Barton County, Jasper County, Newton County, McDonald County and the Joplin MPO Boundary. The provider uses a fixed route and route deviation system to serve clients and operates 25 vehicles Monday through Friday.

Non-Transportation Service Providers

Area Agency on Aging, Region X

This organization serves the elderly in the City of Lamar, Carthage, Barton County, Jasper County, Newton County, and McDonald County. Clients access services through fixed bus routes and dial-a-ride systems and operates Monday through Friday.

City of Duenweg

This organization serves the elderly, disabled, low-income, youth and general public in the City of Duenweg, Jasper County, and the Joplin MPO Boundary. The city does not offer local transportation services and operates Monday through Saturday.

Cornerstone Baptist Church

This organization serves the elderly, low-income, and general public in Barton County. The provider uses a demand response system to serve clients and operates Wednesday and Sundays.

Economic Security Corp. of Southwest Area

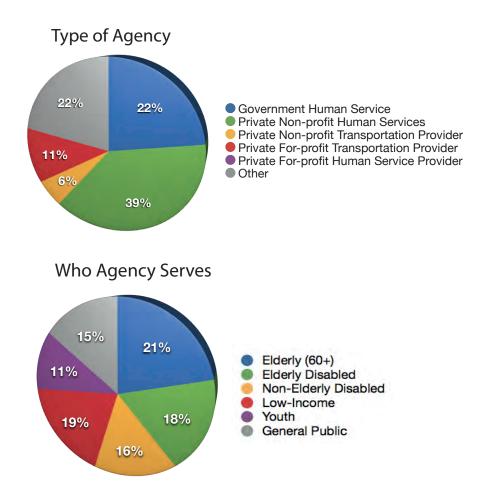
This organization serves all ages of low-income individuals in Barton, Jasper, Newton and McDonald Counties. The organization has 57 programs serving a wide range of community activities and operates Monday through Friday.

Homebound Services

This organization serves the elderly, low-income and homebound individuals in the City of Joplin. Volunteers provide shopping services and delivery of groceries for homebound seniors.

WHO

The majority of agencies surveyed were private non-profit human service providers and government human services. Agencies that specifically operated solely as transportation providers accounted for 17% of survey respondents. Agencies within the HSTCC region provide services for a wide variety of individuals. The largest proportion of riders according to survey results is the population over age 60 with 39% of agencies primarily providing services to this age group. The total number of clients served on an average week by non-transit service providers was 1,120 and 6,483 on an average week for transit service providers.



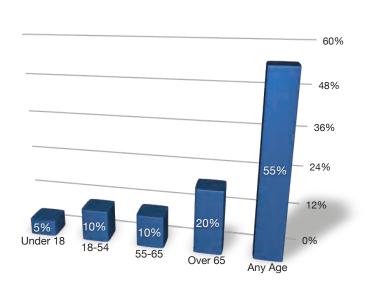
How many use services (non-transit service providers) on average week:

- Total: 1,120 - Average: 224

Number of clients/transit riders (transit service providers) on average week:

- Total: 6,483 - Average: 810

Age Group Services are Designed For





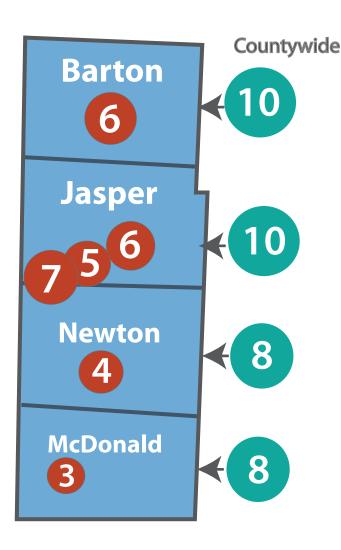
Five agencies reported that they serve individuals with mobility limitations. The types of mobility limitations agencies work with vary but the majority are age related or physical limitations. Additionally, individuals with mobility limitations may encounter a lack of transit availability for non-financial reasons.

Types of Mobility Limitations

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WHERE



The adjacent map illustrates the geographical area served by all survey respondents. The majority of agencies provide services to municipalities within Jasper and Barton Counties. The cities of Joplin, Carthage, Lamar and Webb City have the greatest number of agencies providing services. Numbers displayed within orange circles indicate the number of agencies providing services within a given city and numbers within teal cirlces indicate the number of agencies providing services in each county.

Geographical Area Served

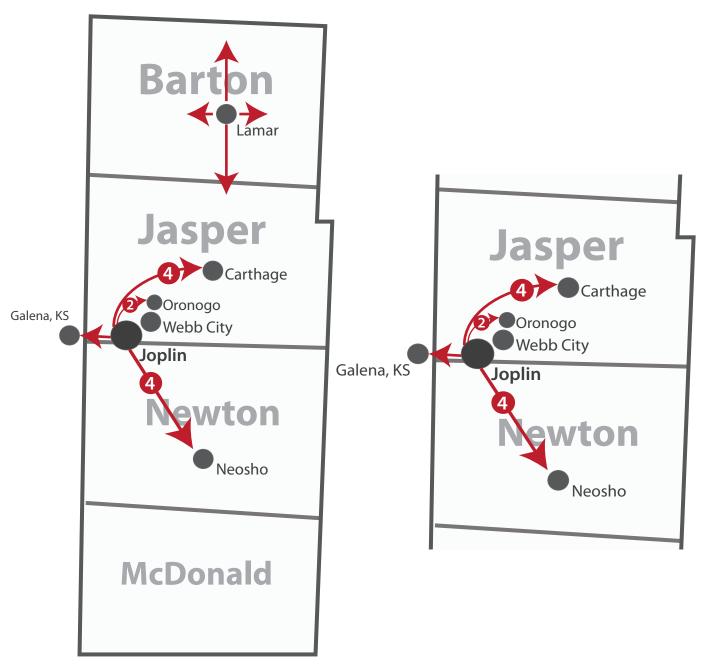
Location	Non- Trans. Service Provider	Trans. Service Provider	Total
Barton County	3	7	10
Jasper County	3	7	10
Newton County	2	6	8
McDonald County	2	6	8
Portions of Barton County	0	3	3
Portions of Jasper County	0	3	3
City of Joplin	1	6	7
Joplin MPO Boundary	1	3	4

Location	Non- Trans. Service Provider	Trans. Service Provider	Total
City of Carthage	1	5	6
Webb City	0	5	5
Portions of Newton County	0	3	3
Portions of McDonald County	0	2	2
City of Lamar	2	4	6
City of Neosho	0	4	4
City of Anderson	0	3	3

Other: City of Duenweg; Medical runs Barton County wide to Lamar; General transportation runs 3 miles from Lamar; Cities of Joplin; Carl Junction; Carterville; Webb City; 4 State Area; 300 mile radius; 7 Counties in SW MO; As needed and as we are able; Can provide transportation to clients within 50 mile radius

Gaps in Transportation Service

The following map depicts gaps in services according to survey results. Respondents indicated destinations where clients would like to go but are unable to with current transportation routes. Red arrows indicate gaps to cities that are not currently being reached by transportation services. The number of agencies indicating a gap in services are also highlighted for destinations with multiple mentions in survey results. The communities of Carthage and Neosho received the greatest number of clients reporting gaps in services to the cities from outside destinations. Also, individuals reported gaps in services from the City of Lamar to outside destinations.



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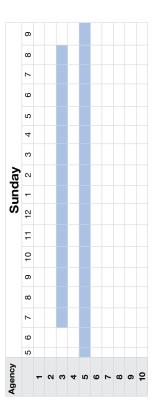
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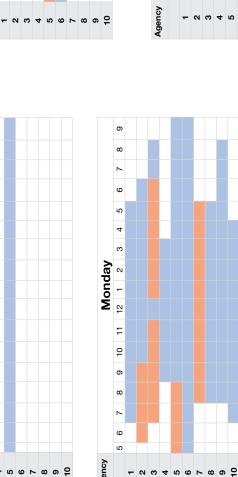
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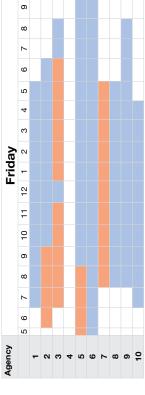
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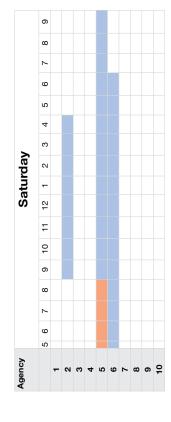
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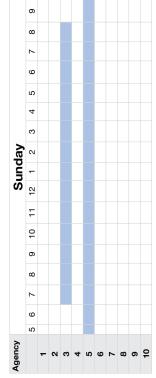
peak usage as determined by survey responses are operation for area transportation providers. Regular hours services are provided are shaded in blue and The following charts represent the hours of shaded in orange.











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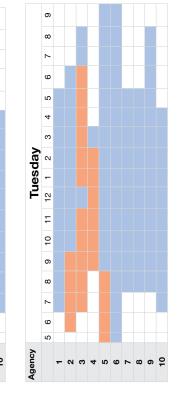
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Days clients need services

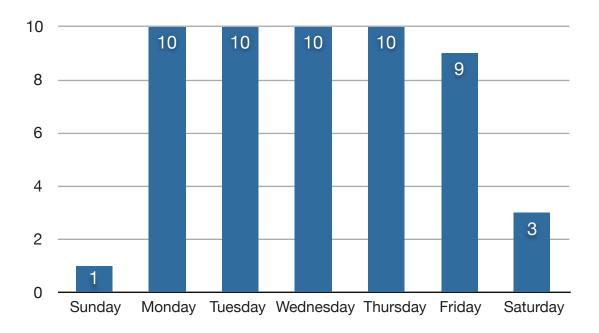
Sunday	1
Monday	3
Tuesday	3
Wednesday	4
Thursday	3
Friday	3
Saturday	1

How many use services on an average week:

Total: 1,120

Average: 224

Days transit provided



WHAT

Type of Service

Fixed Route	1
Demand Response	9
Route Deviation	4

Restrictions on Transportation Trips

No restrictions	2
Agency service only	1
Geographic area only	6
Medical visits only	1

Reason for Restrictions

No restrictions	2
Funding restrictions	8
Agency policy	2

Methods Clients of Non-Transportation Service Providers use to Access Services:

Family	3	
Friends or neighbors	3	
Drive themselves	3	
Fixed bus route	2	
Private vehicle driven	2	
by an agency member		
Dial-a-ride	1	
Van service to specific	4	
users	1	
Private taxi	1	
Medical transport	1	

The majority of servive providers operate on a demand response system where clients contact the provider when transportation is needed. Most transportation agencies are only restricted by their ability to provide transportation to diffirent geographies when providing services. When asked why trips might be restricted, funding was indicated as the most prevalent factor in determining restrictions on trips.

Vehicles in Service Across the Region:

How many vehicles are in service on the average weekday?....80 How many vehicles are operating during peak periods?.....72 How many vehicles are in service on the average weekend?....27

Vehicles of Area Agencies



BUS

Quantity: 5

Total Capacity: 4.7

Average Annual Mileage: 20,456 **Combined Average Age: 4.8**



VAN

Quantity: Total-59; Average per Agency-7.4

Total Capacity: 8

Average Annual Mileage: 18, 821; (Range: 400-100,000+)

Combined Average Age: 4.7 years



CAR

Quantity: Total-9; Average per Agency-2.25

Total Capacity: 4.5

Average Annual Mileage: 44,451 **Combined Average Age: 10**



TRUCK Quantity: Total- 1

Total Capacity: 5

Average Annual Mileage: 1,529 Combined Average Age: 12

Methods Clients use to Access Services:

Fixed bus route	2
Dial-a-ride	1
Van service to specific	1
Private taxi	1
Medical transport	1
Private vehicle driven by an agency member	2
Family	3
Friends or neighbors	3
Drive themselves	3

Funding for Services:

- **7** Donations/ Fundraising/ Volunteers
- **6** Charging Clients
- **6** State Funds
- **5** Federal Funds
- 2 City/ County/ Special Transportation **District Funding**

Plan Implementation

STRATEGIES

The public forum was conducted August 23, 2012 to allow public transit providers, human service providers and the public to review the survey results, voice additional trasnportation needs and prioritize plan strategies. The following strategies were ranked based on the priority level of each goal for the following 5 years.

Ranked High

- Maintain existing service levels of viable operations
- Utilizing transportation investments more efficiently through coordination
- Enhancing mobility within and between communities
- Promoting new types of transit opportunities

Ranked Medium

- · Preserving individual independence and enhancing quality of life
- Doing more with limited resources
- Increasing access to jobs and job training
- Utilize local resources to generate data and identify community needs where regional resources could expand

Ranked Low

- · Respond to growth within existing services
- Respond to emerging community needs
- Be adaptable and ready to respond to short-term needs in the community

IMPLEMENTATION

Area transit providers will explore different methods to address each strategy; however, implementation will be based on individual resources, the agency's available time and the feasibility of a project.

The following suggestions may assist area transportation providers in achieving high, medium or low strategies:

- Replace aging vehicles when necessary
- Explore coordination of training and maintenance between transit providers
- Establish methods to record data about ridership and usage of services
- Utilize smaller, more efficient vehicles when appropriate (large vehicles cost more to operate)
- Improve cross jurisdictional communications between service providers
- Reduce duplications in services (routes, schedules, etc.)
- Promote advertisment of available services
- Keep elected officials informed of transportation needs in the region



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July 12, 2012

Dear Public Transit – Human Service Transportation partners,

The Harry S Truman Coordinating Council (HSTCC) in coordination with the Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO), the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), and the Missouri Association of Councils of Government (MACOG) is seeking your assistance in updating the *Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan* for Barton, Jasper, Newton, and McDonald Counties.

The four main objectives of the Plan are to identify current transportation providers; identify transportation needs for older adults, people with low income, and individuals with disabilities; identify strategies and/or activities that address gaps in service or achieve efficiencies in service delivery; and prioritize strategies for implementing specific strategies/activities based on resources, time, and feasibility. Your participation in the development of this *Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan* helps our region meet the requirements established in the Federal Transportation Law (SAFETEA-LU Sec. 3012, 3018, & 3019) and allows organizations within our area to apply for the following FTA grants:

- FTA Section 5310 Program for Agencies serving Seniors or Persons with Disabilities,
- FTA Section 5316 Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Program
- FTA Section 5317 New Freedom Program

All partners are asked to please complete the appropriate enclosed survey and fax or return it by mail to the HSTCC offices before August 3rd, 2012. Please choose the survey that best matches your agency: Transportation Service Provider or NON-Transportation Service Provider.

HSTCC and the City of Joplin will host an **informational meeting at 10am on Wednesday**, August 1st, 2012 at the MAPS Transit Office located at the corner of 2nd and Main St. in downtown Joplin, MO. There will also be a **forum at 10am on Thursday**, August 23rd, 2012 at the MAPS Office. Partners who attend the forum will be able to review the survey results, voice individual needs, participate in the prioritization of plan strategies, and network with other public transit and human service transportation partners.

If you have any questions or wish to attend the meeting and require special assistance, please contact our offices.

Thank you,

Jason Ray

Transportation Planner

HSTCC



Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan Survey FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROVIDERS

Conducted by HSTCC in Coordination with JATSO, MoDOT, and MACOG

Basic Information Comparison Name					
Organization Name					
Address					
Address 2					
City/Town					
State					
Zip					
Email Address					
Phone Number					
2. Contact Person					
3. Website (if applicable)					
4. What type of agency are you?					
C Government Human Service	1	C Private Fo	or-Profit Transportation P	Provider	
Private Non-profit Human Ser	vices	C Private Fo	or-Profit Human Service P	Provider	
C Private Non-profit Transporta	tion Provider	Other (sp	pecify)		
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5. What geographical area do yo	u serve? Check a	II that apply	<i>'</i> .		
Barton County	ity of Joplin		City of Lamar		
Jasper County	oplin MPO Bound	dary	City of Neosho		
Newton County	ity of Carthage		City of Anderson		
McDonald County V	Vebb City		Other (specify)		_
Portions of Barton Co.	ortions of Newto	on Co.			
Portions of Jasper Co.	ortions of McDo	nald Co.			
6. Who does your agency serve?	Check all that ap	pply.			
Elderly (60+)	ow-income	Other (sp	pecify)		
Elderly Disabled Yo	outh				
Non-Elderly Disabled G	eneral Public				
7. What age group are your servi	ices designed for	? Check all t	that apply.		
Under 18 55-65	Any Age				
18-54 Over 65	Other (specify))			

8. What type of service does your agency provide? Check all that apply.
Fixed Route Route Deviation
Demand Response Other (specify)
9. During an average week, how many clients use your services?
10. What days each week does your agency regularly provide transit service? Check all that apply.
Sunday Tuesday Thursday Saturday
Monday Wednesday Friday
11. What are your regular hours of operation? (Example: 9am-3pm, 5pm-9pm)
Sunday
Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday
12. What are your peak periods, if any? (Example: 8am-9am, 4pm-6pm)
Sunday
Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday
13. How many vehicles do you have in service on: (if none, put '0')
The average weekday?
During peak periods?
The average weekend?

14. What types of vehicles does your agency offer? Check all that apply.
Car Van Other (specify)
Truck Bus
15. If you have cars:
How many do you have?
What is the total capacity for each vehicle?
What is the average annual mileage for each vehicle?
What is the combined average age of each vehicle? 16. If you have trucks:
How many do you have?
What is the total capacity for each vehicle?
What is the average annual mileage for each vehicle?
What is the combined average age of each vehicle?
17. If you have vans:
How many do you have?
What is the total capacity for each vehicle?
What is the average annual mileage for each vehicle?
What is the combined average age of each vehicle?
18. If you have buses:
How many do you have?
What is the total capacity for each vehicle?
What is the average annual mileage for each vehicle?
What is the combined average age of each vehicle?
19. Are your agency's trips restricted in any way? Check all that apply.
No restrictions School only Job training only
Agency service only Veterans only Medical visits only
Geographic area only Emergency only Other (specify)
20. What is the reason for trips being restricted? Check all that apply.
No restrictions Agency Policy
Funding restrictions Other (specify)

21. How are services fu	unded? Check all that apply.
Charging clients	Donations/Fundraising/Volunteers
State funds	City/County/Special Transportation district funding
Federal funds	Other (specify)
22. Do your clients reg	ularly have transit needs your agency cannot serve? If yes, please explain.
23 Does your agency of	coordinate with any other agency? If so, what service(s)and what agency/agencies?
23. Boes your agency of	sortalitate with any other agency. If 30, what service(3 Jana what agency, agencies.
24. What do you think	the needs of your agency are in the short term (1-6 years)? Please be as specific as possible.
25. What do you think	the needs of your agency are in the long-term (7-20 years)? Please be as specific as possible.
26. What destinations	or trip categories do you see as gaps for clients? Where would they like to go, but your agency
cannot service?	

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Fax: 417-649-6409



Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan Survey

FOR NON-TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROVIDERS

Conducted by HSTCC in Coordination with JATSO, MoDOT, and MACOG

1. Basic Information	
Organization Name	
Address	
Address 2	
City/Town	
State	
Zip	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
2. Contact Person	
3. Website (if applicable)	
4. What type of agency are	you?
• Government Human Ser	vice Private For-Profit Transportation Provider
C Private Non-profit Huma	
C Private Non-profit Trans	portation Provider Other (specify)
5. What geographical area	do you serve? Check all that apply.
Barton County	City of Joplin City of Lamar
Jasper County	Joplin MPO Boundary City of Neosho
Newton County	City of Carthage City of Anderson
McDonald County	Webb City Other (specify)
Portions of Barton Co.	Portions of Newton Co.
Portions of Jasper Co.	Portions of McDonald Co.
6. Who does your agency se	erve? Check all that apply.
Elderly (60+)	Low-income Other (specify)
Elderly Disabled	Youth
Non-Elderly Disabled	General Public
7. What age group are your	r services designed for? Check all that apply.
Under 18 55-65	Any Age
□ 18-54 □ Over 6	Other (specify)

to get to places they need or war	•		ifficulty that makes it hard
Yes No	v ·		
9. If yes, what types of mobility l	mitations does your agency	y work with? Check all that apply	•
Age-related Remote lo	cation		
Physical Cannot aff	ord transit		
Cognitive Lack of tra	nsit for a non-financial reas	son	
Vision Other (spe	ecify)		
10. What type of primary service	s does your agency provide	? Check all that apply.	
Drug or alcohol treatment	Childcare	Family support or in-home	Transportation
Education/Training	Housing	assistance Family support or	Residential Care
Employment opportunities/	Community support	protective housing	Service coordination
job placement	network	Life skille development 0	Other (specify)
Healthcare	Nutrition	Life skills development & assistance	Other (speeny)
11. During an average week, how	many clients use your serv	vices?	
12. Which days during the week	do your clients need transit	service? Check all that apply.	
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Monday Wednesday	Friday	urday	
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13. Which methods do clients us Fixed bus route Dial-a-ride	Friday e to access your services? C	Check all that apply. Private vehicle dr Family	, ,
13. Which methods do clients us Fixed bus route Dial-a-ride Van service to specific users (Friday e to access your services? Co	Private vehicle dr Family centers) Friends or neighb	, ,
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Area Agency on Aging, Region X	531 E. 15th	Jopln	МО		nraines@aaaregionx.org	417-781-7562
Cerebral Palsy of Tri-County	1401 W. Austin	Webb City	МО		cggrahamcp@sbcglobal.net	417-673-4940
City of Cathage	326 Grant St.	Carthage	МО	64836	staff@carthage-mo.gov	417-237-7000
City of Duenweg	PO Box 105, 106 Webb St.	Duenweg	МО	64841	econdevballard@dunwegmo.com	417-825-1394
City of Lamar	1106 Broadway	Lamar	МО	64759	lpd201@yahoo.com	417-682-5542
Cornerstone Baptist Church	800 Jefferson Street	Lamar	МО	64759	cornerstonelamar@sbcglobal.net	417-682-3390
Economic Security Corp. of						
Southwest Area	P.O. Box 207, 302 S. Joplin Ave	Joplin	МО	64802	jjoines@escswa.org	417-627-2014
Health Care Transit Inc.	7087 Nighthawk Rd.	Neosho	МО	64850	Healthcaretransit@hotmail.com	417-850-4140
Homebound Services	2423 W. 26th St.	Joplin	МО	64804		417-624-3577
Lafayette House	1809 Connor	Joplin	МО	65804	tlbrown02@yahoo.com	417-782-1772
M.A.P.S. Transit and The Sunshine	602 S. Main	Ionlin	МО	64901		447 625 4702
Lamp Trolley	602 3. IVIAITI	Joplin	IVIO	04801	rlolley@joplinmo.org	417-625-4793
Oakton United Methodist Church	318 S. Hwy J	Lamar	МО	64759	adminumc@keinet.net	417-682-2042
OATS Inc	3259 E. Sunshine Suite T; PO Box	Caringfield	N40			417 007 0272
OATS Inc.	4606	Springfield	МО	80800	scottk@oatstransit.org	417-887-9272
Ozark Center	P.O. Box 2526; 1105 E. 32nd Ste 1	Joplin	МО	64803	dcpliler@freemanhealth.com	417-347-7750
The Independent Living Center	2639 E. 34th St.	Joplin	МО	64804	sbrady@ilcenter.org	417-659-8086

Returned to Sender

City Taxi and Shuttle Co.	1105 E 32nd St.	Joplin	МО	64804
Elder-Care	1484 W. Daughtery Rd.	Neosho	МО	64850
Jasper County Shelter Association	706 S Broadway Ave	Liberal	МО	64762

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No Response

Joplin

A-Dependable Taxi	816 E 9th St.	Joplin	МО	64801
Barton County Memorial Hospital	29 NW 1st Lane	Lamar	МО	64759
Boy's and Girl's Club of Joplin	317 Comingo Avenue	Joplin	МО	64801
Central Christian Center	410 S. VirginiaAve.	Joplin	МО	64801
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Jason Ray

From:

Brianna McDonald

bmcdonald@hstcc.org>

Sent:

Monday, July 23, 2012 3:41 PM

To:

Jason Ray

Subject:

FW: Transit Plan Survey & Meetings

Attachments:

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Importance:

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Dear Members,

Jason Ray has asked me to share this information with you regarding the Regional Transit Plan Survey and upcoming meetings.

Please ensure that any organization within your community (including the municipality itself) that provides transportation services OR human services to low-income individuals, seniors, individuals with disabilities or anyone with other mobility issues fills out the appropriate survey (there is on for transportation providers and one for non-transportation providers). The survey can be completed electronically, then saved to your computer, and emailed to JRay@hstcc.org OR it may be printed and mailed or faxed to Jason.

The first Informational meeting about the *Public Transit- Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan* update will be held **next Wednesday, August 1st at 10am at the MAPS Transit offices in downtown Joplin.** This is an informational meeting only that will outline the purpose of the plan and the planning process. We will hold a public forum on **Thursday, August 23rd at 10am** at the MAPS Transit Office to discuss survey results, set goals for the Plan, and prioritize those goals.

Anyone who may seek FTA assistance through 5310, 5316, or 5317 funds during the next 5 years MUST participate in this planning process to be eligible to apply for funding!!

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Thank you!

Brianna McDonald

Harry S Truman Coordinating Council

Office: 417-649-6400 Fax: 417-649-6409 Cell: 816-616-9781



Jason Ray Meeting reminder emailed to all HISTEL Member communities & Partners

From: Brianna McDonald
bmcdonald@hstcc.org>

Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2012 4:01 PM
Cc: hrogers@hstcc.org; jray@hstcc.org
Subject: Public Transit Meeting Tomorrow

Importance: High

Reminder:

HSTCC in coordination with the City of Joplin and the Missouri Department of Transportation is hosting an informational meeting regarding the *Public Transit* – *Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan* update **tomorrow** (Wednesday, August 1st) at 10 am at the MAPS Transit office located at 123 S. Main in Joplin, MO (parking and MAPS entrance is in back of the building).

This meeting will cover basic demographic information for our region (Barton, Jasper, Newton, & McDonald Counties) regarding seniors, individuals with disabilities, and low-income families; the three federal funding programs effected by this plan (FTA 5310, 5316, and 5317); and the overall planning process.

A public forum will be held on **Thursday**, **August 23**rd, **at 10am at the MAPS Transit office** which will engage transit providers, human service providers, and community leaders in prioritizing goals to improve mobility of seniors, individuals with disabilities, and low-income individuals/families.

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-Jason Ray

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Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan Update and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

Informational Meeting, August 1st, 2012 - MAPS Transit Office, 123 S Main, Joplin, MO





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This meeting is conducted in accordance with Missouri's Sunshine Law and is open to members of the public to attend.

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Public Forum

The Missouri Department of Transportation contracted with the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council (HSTCC) to prepare a plan to improve the coordination and cooperation of transportation providers within the region (Barton, Jasper, Newton and McDonald Counties). The plan is being created in cooperation with The Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO), Missouri Department of Transportation and The U.S. Department of Transportation. Barriers and gaps in services will be identified to prepare for future transportation needs in the HSTCC region. The objective of this plan is to meet the requirements of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient, Transportation Equity Act: A legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) and explore needs for the next 5 years related to specific need groups.

FEDERAL FUNDING OVERVIEW

Elderly and Disabled Transportation Program: (Section 5310):

Provides funding through a formula program to increase mobility for the elderly and persons with disabilities.



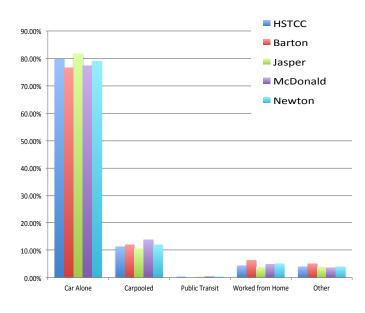
Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC): (Section 5316)

Provides funding for local programs that offer job access and reverse commute services to supply transportation for low income individuals who may live in the city core and work in suburban locations.

New Freedom Initiative: (Section 5317)

Encourages service and facility improvements to address the transportation needs of persons with disabilities that go beyond those required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. Also provides a new formula grant program for associated capital and operating costs.

COMMUTE TO WORK



80% Commute to work by driving alone



Within the HSTCC region 80% of individuals commute to work by driving alone and 11% carpool according to the 2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. In the region approximately 0.17% people commute to work using public transit.



Service Assessment-Identifies current providers including public, private and non-profit services.

2. Needs Assessment-

Evaluation of transportation needs for seniors, individuals with disabilities and individuals with low income.

3. Identify Strategeis-

Determine strategies that address gaps in service and achieve an effective means of service delivery.



4. Prioritize Strategeis-

A ranking of strategies based on available resources, time, and feasibility should be created for the implementation of specific options.

5. Final Plan-

The finalized plan will be reviewed and adopted by The Harry S Truman Coordinating Council and The Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization.

NEXT STEPS

Prioritized goals and strategies will be added to the existing document. The plan will be finalized and adopted by The Harry S Truman Coordinating Council and the Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization.

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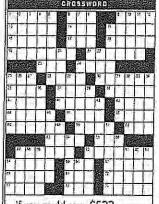
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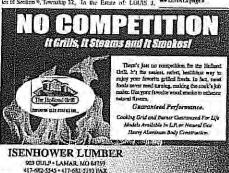
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"I can't say enough about how hard these guys are working," said Altic. "We have had a felony arrest and are hitting outstanding city warrants."

Altic has been working with other city courts to find those that owe Senecamoney.

"Most cities are happy to arrest those and bring them to us," said Altic.

Police officers have also been taking care of the complaints by citizens about speeders and traffic issues in neighborhoods.

"When people complain, we show up and try to correct the problem," said Altic. "Out of 10 traffic stops, approximately three receive a citation."

Altic has recently spent time with the Missouri Department of Transportation's DWI Task Force.

"A number of agencies through Jasper County and Barton County are part of the task force," said Altic: "They set up DWI checkpoints to focus on alcohol-related crime. Our officers would work it and they would pay us all of the overtime, if we join."

There were no objections to accept this program. The motion carried.

- The Seneca police car that was in the shop for a while is finally up and running but the radio is out so they are waiting to get that fixed.
- "I talked to the judge today about bonds," said Altic. "Instead of people paying large fines of \$1,500 to \$2,000 in cash, they could use a bondsman. It would be better business, and would save some money."

Altic will continue talking to the judge to get it all figured out.

• "DNR has requested that we move the wires on the Lewis tower,", said Leo Hirdler, public works director. "They said there is too much weight on it and a man "The new pump is back online now," said Hirdler.

Vance asked what the insurance company was going to do about getting the motor fixed.

"It's not going to be warranteed from a lightning strike," said Hirdler.

Vance suggested they wait to see what the insurance company does before taking it to be fixed at Franklin Motors,

• There were some water quality issues during the last city council meeting. Some Seneca residents were not happy about their water leaving a dark circle in their toilets and bath tubs.

"When the magnesium hits the air it turns a rust color; which leaves a ring in the toilet," said Hirdler.

• The fire department has received a 2005 Freightliner with 25,000 miles on it from the Missouri Department of Conservation.

"We are going to turn it into a tanker and have 90 days to do it," said Darren King. "Redings Mill gave us one a few years ago, but it was a 1971 and it was weak."

This truck is heavy duty and is a good truck.

"The guys and I are going to put together a nice tanker," said King. "We have a lot of resources to get this finished."

Outside fires have slowed down

"People have finally wised up a bit," said King.

 Vance said that it is important to make progress at every meeting about putting in a fourth water well.

"We can't just sit on our hands and do nothing about it," said Vance.

Cyndy Hutchings, city clerk, said that she will find out about getting a study done that will give the city a ballpark estimate on how much it will cost to put in a new well.

"I don't think that I am qualified to bid this out or what to ask for," said Hutchings. "The engineers would know, though."

Rennett said that p 56 project is \$20,000.

WELL

From page 1.

"Back in May we started pumping water from our well to fill the tank and it took three hours and 20 minutes to fill it," said Pam. "Now, to get the tank half full, it takes five hours, then we would have to shut it off for a while."

Wilson's dairy operation took a major hit two months ago when its well went dry. They then began hauling 1,100 gallons of water a day to keep the business going.

"We have been hauling water from another well that we own that is about a mile away," said Pam. "When the cows drink, the flow back was very slow."

When Nixon met with the Wilsons, a new well was being drilled and installed as a result of the emergency assistance. At the time of drilling, the drillers were looking at reaching a good level of water at the 600-650 feet mark. Wilson's current well that went dry was at 250 feet.

"It's unbelievable, a true blessing," said Pam. "We have always struggled a little bit with water because the cows drink so much. This is actually a life-saver for us. I can guarantee you one thing... I will never waste any water."

The Wilsons bought a tank back in May because they knew that if it was ever to get as bad as it has this year, they would need it to haul water.

As of right now, Nixon has reported that the emergency cost-share program has approved 4,400 projects for the assistance, at an average cost of approximately \$4,800 per livestock project.

How the program works is that the emergency water program will cover 90 percent of the cost, such as digging or deepening a well or the supplies for piping to connect a farm to a rural water line. The farm owner then pays the remaining 10 percent. The maximum state match for any project is \$20,000

Districts Commission and the states resources made available by Nixon through House Bill 8.

House Bill 8 gives the governor the authority to direct funds for responding during a declared emergency at the direction of the governor, and provides the service to furnish immediate aid and relief.

Nixon issued an executive order on Monday, July 23, authorizing the State Soil & Water Districts Commission to place the program to provide urgent relief for farmers and producers facing the severe shortage of water.

To be eligible for the program, projects had to provide immediate material relief for the farmer or producer. That same day Nixon signed a separate executive order declaring a State of Emergency in Missouri because of the drought.

With the emergency of the nature of the program, project applications were due by 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 6. Officials from the Missouri Department of Agriculture and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources are supporting local soil and water districts in reviewing the applications to determine eligibility for funding.

"Agriculture, from the jobs it provides to the revenue it generates, is a pillar of the Missouri economy," Nixon said.

"That's why we've taken immediate steps to support this important sector of our economy during a very difficult time. Through this targeted, one-time emergency program, only those projects which would provide timely and substantial relief were approved. This ensured that these dollars were limited, and invested only in those projects which will help this industry survive unprecedented drought conditions."

All 4,400 projects are striving to be completed by Sept. 23,

(Editor's note: This is the fourth in a five-part series about the drought and how it

note, said Woods, "I am talking with the banks trying to get something done."

Woods then brought up the fact that daycares are operated out of homes.

"I'm not trying to get daycares out of residential areas, but it's a business in a home like mine;" said Woods:

Vance told Woods that daycares are needed in Seneca and that they are a different kind of business, that are allowed in residential areas.

"We should have never issued you a license," said Vance:

Suzanne Brown of Seneca was in attendance and voiced her opinion on the subject.

"We need to support our local businesses," said Brown: "Our school district is already having struggles because we don't have a good solid business base here. We need to hang on to the businesses we have, and as long as they aren't illegal, we need to support them."

Woods said that his goal has been to find a building, and he has been looking for some time.

"I didn't just start looking for a building after the complaints came in," said Woods. "You decide what I need to do. Give me a timeframe or leave me alone." cals aren't healthy," said Woods. "I have read all the stats and I wouldn't do anything to hurt my family."

After discussing the situation, the council decided that Woods would have until Jan. 1, 2013, to relocate his business.

"Altic has complimented your attitude and I don't want to see you out of business," said Vance.

Bennett told Woods that they are here to help him, not to drive him out of Seneca.

"I would like to not see any painting if the fumes can't be contained," said Bennett.

Vance said that he needs to try a filter and a mister to help with the fumes.

"Get some filters and make an effort to do something different by Jan. 1," said Bennett.

Altic said that he will visit the complaining parties to let them know what they are going to do so that they understand.

In other city council business:

• "When I started July 1, I wanted to take a couple weeks to sit and watch what was going on and keep stats," said Altic. "The community had issues that needed to be addressed."

From July 13 through Aug.

done immediately but will be something that needs to be finished in the next few years.

 On July 26, the pool pump went out and Hirdler had to have it fixed.

"Should we wait 'til next year to purchase a standby pump or do it this year?" asked Hirdler. "Currently, you can't hardly hear the pump running since we had it fixed."

Vance asked why they can't take the pump to have the bearings replaced every other year.

"We can do that," said Hirdler.

 Public works employees have been cutting trees and are currently working on the south side of town.

"We have lots of brush and either need to purchase a chipper or hire someone to come in and chip it for us," said Hirdler. "There are 42 miles throughout this city and we are going through each one."

He said the city hasn't trimmed trees throughout town in six years:

• Well No. 3 was struck by lightning almost two weeks ago, taking out the motor of the pump. Public works had to pull the pump back out and wire the well to a homemade box made by Tiff City Pump.

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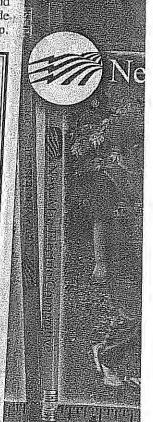
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NOTICE

The Harry S Truman Coordinating Council (HSTCC) and the City of Joplin will host a public meeting at 10 am on Thursday, August 23, 2012 in the meeting room of the MAPS Transit office located at 123 S Main St. in Joplin, MO. The meeting will discuss updating the Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan for Barton, Jasper, Newton, and McDonald Counties. Public transit providers who attend the meeting will be able to review recent survey results, voice individual needs or ideas for meeting individual needs, participate in the prioritization of plan strategies, and network with other public transit and human service transportation partners.

A copy of the existing Plan is available at www.HSTCC.org.

NOTE: If you are in need of disability related auxiliary aids or services, contact the City of Joplin's ADA Coordinator at 417-624-0820, Ext. 210, or the City Clerk's Office at 417-624-0820, Ext. 220. Kindly give them forty-eight (48) hours notice to arrange for the aids or services. TTD Number (417) 625-4774. Interpreter services are also available if requested at least seven calendar days in advance of the meeting. Servicios de interpretación están disponibles si se piden al menos 7 días antes de la reunión.

The public is encouraged to attend this meeting. If there are any questions pertaining to the items that will be discussed at the meeting please contact Jason Ray at 417-649-6400 or by email at JRay@hstcc.org.

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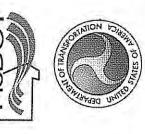


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in coordination with:

the City of Joplin,

the Missouri Association of Councils of Government (MACOG), the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), and the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)



Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan Update Public Forum, August 23rd, 2012 - MAPS Transit Office, 123 S Main, Joplin, MO

In attendance:



This meeting is conducted in accordance with Missouri's Sunshine Law and is open to members of the public to attend.

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HSTCC/HSTCDC Membership Meeting Agenda Wednesday, September 26, 2012, 11:30 a.m. <u>Carl Junction Courtroom at the Police Station</u> Lunch will be provided

Call to Order: Jane Ballard, Chairman

Consent Agenda Items:

Approval of the Agenda Minutes for July 2012

Financial Reports: Luann Peterson

Staff Reports from each department will be available as deemed necessary.

Approval of the Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan update (to view the updates, go to www.hstcc.org) – Kim Varner

Mike Williams: Progress report on C.J. Sr. Housing/New Housing applications

Harry Rogers: Administrative Report

Legislative Reports from Representatives

Round Table Discussion

Adjourn (1:00 pm)

Possible Closed meeting of the HSTCC executive board involving personnel matters.

This meeting is open to the public in accordance with the Missouri Sunshine Law. News media representatives may obtain copies of this notice by contacting Harry Rogers at 800 E Pennell, Carl Junction, Mo. or by telephone, 417-649-6400.

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Before the meeting, all present members watched a special slide-show presentation created by Brianna McDonald that showcased HSTCC's involvement with the Governor's challenge this month and HSTCC's trip to the MU game with Habitat for Humanity.

Call to Order at 11:45am: Jane Ballard, Chairman

Consent Agenda Items: A motion to accept the agenda items was made by Lynn Calton and seconded by Mike Brower.

Approval of the Agenda

Minutes for July 2012

Financial Reports: Luann Peterson gave the financial report. She asked Brian Ross to remind members of the purpose of the CDBG funds. He said that these funds were used to support staff time that was put into disaster recovery after the tornado. This money allowed HSTCC to be able to do much more with the recovery than would have been possible otherwise. Lu continued her report by noting that "Reliance Standard" is the company that carries our new short term disability policy and will be showing up in the financials often. Another company that will be in the financial reports from now on is "Missouri Employers Mutual." They will handle HSTCC's workman's comp insurance. Lastly, Lu discussed the CHDO account. HSTCDC made their first withdrawal from this account. Brian Ross explained that this withdrawal was to cover the rest of the rehab on the Austin Street house. There is other money available, but it is allotted to new projects. HSTCC, in partnership with the city, decided not to use any of that money to finish Austin.

At future meetings Lu will put her financial reports on a Power Point and print out only a few copies for those members who wish to take them home.

Staff Reports from each department will be available as deemed necessary:

Brianna McDonald reported that the HSTCC staff retreat will take place on Oct. 18th and 19th. Also, the October membership meeting will include a Chili-Cook-Off where the staff will prepare chili for the members to vote on.

Jason Ray discussed the Transportation Enhancement and Safe Routes to School Grants that are available. Members received electronic copies via e-mail this morning and paper copies were available at the meeting. The Transportation Enhancement Grant applications are due November 5th. Jason went on to mention that the next Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting will take place on October 31st. This meeting will be separate from the HSTCC Membership meeting to assure there will be enough time to fully discuss and prioritize the regional needs. Once the Top 10 needs are established, they will go on to the District and finally State levels for prioritization there. The Stone's Corner need that was presented in a previous year will be funded in 2014. Lastly, Jason discussed next year's EDA Planning Grant and the need to update the 2009 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). Jason asked that any interested parties in either public or private enterprises join a new CEDS committee.

Bryan West is working on six rehabs currently. He's going to be very busy with inspections and applications in the next few weeks. He mentioned that HSTCC submitted two applications to the Trust Fund. One for Operating Funds, and the other for Home Rehab Funds. He's currently working on the 2013 HeRO application. The funds available have been cut drastically, but HSTCC plans to submit an application like we have in previous years and hope for the best.

Brian Ross updated everyone on the status of the Governor's Challenge. All 35 Habitat for Humanity homes are currently under construction, and the first 12 should be finished in the next few weeks. Also, everyone gave Gloria Bottom a round of applause for finishing 60 environmental reviews over the last few months to make the 35 homes a reality.

Mike Williams: Progress report on C.J. Sr. Housing/New Housing applications: Mike was not available, so Harry gave his report. HSTCC in conjunction with Gateway Constructions applied for two projects last week. One would be very similar to the semior housing in Carl Junction for 12 living units, called Carl Junction 2. The second project is a tax credit that would be a 42 living unit project near Anderson, MO.

Approval of the Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan update (to view the updates, go to www.hstcc.org) – Kim Varner: Kim presented the new plan to the members and mentioned that it is posted on the website. This plan is a 5 year update that helps meet the requirements to receive funding and work with people who provide transportation services. She provided a handout that discussed the plan process. First, a survey was sent out to all of our member communities and 30+ transportation and human service providers. At the end of August a public forum was held to discuss and rank the results of that survey. From there the plan was written and will hopefully be adopted this month by HSTCC and next month by JATSO. Kim gave the floor to Jason to discuss the funding section. He explained that the funding was changing because of the new MAP21 bill and that MoDOT asked HSTCC to continue the plan as it has been done in previous years. This would go above and beyond any requirements laid out by the new MAP21 funding plan.

After this explanation, Sam Gaskill made a motion to adopt the plan. It was seconded by Brent Greninger. The motion passed unopposed.

Harry Rogers: Administrative Report: Harry began his report by giving an update on the current Region M grant round, since Stephanie Campbell is out sick. Pre-applications are due October 8th by 3pm. Final applications are due November 5th. The grant applications will be reviewed by the Executive Board. Presentations are voluntary, but a good idea. After the review process the funding will be given out to winning grants. There's approximately \$225,000 available. This amount is slightly lower than in the past. Harry went on to mention that the Region M Solid Waste Management contract needs to be re-bid soon. This process will start at the next meeting. Harry introduced Tony Robyn from the City of Joplin. He will be working closely with HSTCC regarding economic development after the May tornado.

Legislative Reports from Representatives: David Rauch from Clair McCasskill's office updated members on MAP21 and on the debt problems facing the Government.

Round Table Discussion: All present members reported on their communities.

Adjourn: Jane adjourned the meeting at 12:42pm

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