

**SENIOR TRANSPORTATION COALITION**

**Thursday, October 5, 2017**

**1:30 pm - 3:00pm**

**Pathways Hospice, Longs Peak Room**

**305 Carpenter Rd. Fort Collins, CO**

**AGENDA**

1. Welcome and introductions
2. Review of Meeting Notes (August)
3. Chair Update (Gordon)
  
4. Larimer County Senior Transportation Needs Report Update (Mason)
  
5. Discussion Items:
  - Outreach Team (Couch/Gordon/King/Russo)
  - PAFC Strategic Goals and Strategies
  - Travel Training Update (All)
  - Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan (Gordon)
  
6. Member Updates
  
7. Next STC meeting – December 7, 2017
  - Next meeting topics: 2018 meeting dates; other ideas?
  
8. Adjourn

# SENIOR TRANSPORTATION COALITION

AUGUST 3, 2017

1:30 P.M.

PATHWAYS HOSPICE - 305 CARPENTER ROAD- LONGS PEAK ROOM

## MEETING NOTES

ATTENDEES:	Anna Russo	Suzanne King	Jason Brabson
	Jill Couch	Katy Mason	Cherrie Thornton
	Connie Nelson-Cleverley	Alex Gordon	Sharon Courtney
	Emily Gorgol		

## STC Chair Updates

MEETING NOTES	Meeting notes approved as written.
UPDATES	None.

## Discussion Items

LARIMER COUNTY SENIOR TRANSPORT STUDY	<p>Katy reported there will be a presentation to the Larimer County Office on Aging Advisory Council next week. This will be the public presentation and is open to the public. There was a presentation to the Board of County Commissioners previously. A subcommittee will be formed to review recommendations, prioritize, evaluate, and move the project forward.</p>
PAFC	<p>Cherrie Thornton from the Partnership from Age Friendly Communities gave a presentation on self-directed volunteer teams. These are small groups helping deliver projects for future reporting. Katy provided some background information on the PAFC and its goals. There is a website: <a href="http://www.pafc-larimer.org">www.pafc-larimer.org</a>. Anna asked if there is an opportunity to list projects on the website looking for volunteers. Cherrie said they are looking into the website and how to add that feature. Katy explained SDVT are new and can help accomplish goals in the strategic plan.</p> <p>Katy handed out a new copy of the Mobility and Access goals and objectives. Focus will be on outreach and education, especially travel training. Suzanne suggested the Aspen Club offers driver safety classes. The Fort Collins Senior Center has an Older Driver Safety Awareness Week in December, which has different themes each day. STC should create a team to talk to people with severe mobility issues. Alex will send out an email asking what events can STC attend or join. Emergency Preparedness is also a topic STC should look into. Emily suggested forming a team for collecting information on and attending different events.</p>

TRAVEL TRAINING	Anna reported Sunday service starts at the end of August. There is a Bus Education 101 class being held in September, October, and November. A bus to lunch event will cost \$21 and be available at different locations. Chilson Center events were canceled as a result of low attendance. 1-on-1 and group trainings are available by calling Anna. She staffs a monthly table at the senior center, attended welcome week events at CSU, and provided additional information on game-day service.
COORDINATED PLAN UPDATE	The Coordinated Plan is continuing to be developed and should be going to the Mobility Committees in October for their approval.

## Member Updates

BRABSON	Jason stated he is making progress with the Medicaid broker and working with representatives. They are in the process of creating a coalition of transportation providers.
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Next Meeting: Thursday, December 7, 2017 - 1:30 to 3:00pm  
 Pathways Hospice/Longs Peak Room - 305 Carpenter Road, Fort Collins

ADJOURN	Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.
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# 2017

## Senior Transportation Coalition Meeting Schedule

Pathways Hospice · Long's Peak Room · 305 Carpenter Rd. · Fort Collins, CO

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every other month:**

February 2 <sup>nd</sup>	August 3 <sup>rd</sup>
April 6 <sup>th</sup>	October 5 <sup>th</sup>
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	December 7 <sup>th</sup>

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## Executive Summary

The purpose of the *2017 Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan* is to identify transportation issues, service overlaps, and gaps for older adults and individuals with disabilities within the urbanized portions of Larimer and Weld counties as well as goals and strategies to address these identified issues. As a recipient of FTA §5310 funds, the NFRMPO updates the *Coordinated Public Transit/Human Services Transportation Plan* every four years. The need for improved transportation for older adults and individuals with disabilities has been known and continues to be an issue in both large and small communities within the NFRMPO region. Current programs and strategies are not enough to meet this growing demand.

Throughout the *Coordinated Plan* development process, four key areas for improvement and coordination were identified: education; inclusion; improvements in transportation for the rural, suburban, and unincorporated communities; and improvements in transportation within Fort Collins, Greeley, and Loveland.

### ➤ Goal #1: Inclusion

The Mobility Coordination Program will provide a safe, accessible forum for residents, advocates, and employees from human service organizations and agencies to discuss the needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and low-income individuals. Additionally, these groups will have a safe space to air grievances and suggest potential solutions, including projects and areas to collaborate. The desired outcome of this inclusive program is to create tangible strategies that benefit stakeholders in the region, which can be achieved by expanding participation in the Mobility Committees.

### ➤ Goal #2: Education

To have an educated and informed population is an overarching goal for the Mobility Coordination Program. This can be achieved in a variety of ways, but the distribution of information should be a major strategy for the Mobility Coordination Program. Education exists on two fronts: distribution of information about existing transit service and human services transportation, and regional training for transportation providers and future riders.

### ➤ Goal #3: Improvements in Smaller and Rural Communities

The NFRMPO Mobility Coordination program should: maintain dialogue with stakeholders in these communities to understand current and future needs; research technology and funding opportunities to be used for improved transportation for older adults and individuals with disabilities; support organizations currently filling this gap, including Senior Resource Services; and be engaged in local planning efforts.

### ➤ Goal #4: Improvements in Larger and Urban Communities

The NFRMPO Mobility Coordination Program should: maintain relationships with transit providers and other stakeholders to identify need and support; provide technical support to communities interested in expansion of transit service; invite organizations and agencies to Mobility Committee meetings to ensure consistent outreach and feedback; work with local agencies and organizations to identify and apply for potential grants, funding opportunities, and partnerships; identify barriers to using existing services, including ADA accessibility, sidewalk connectivity, snow removal, etc.