



Older Adult Transportation Coalition Jan 24, 2023

Agenda

- Comings and Goings
- Mobility Manager Update
- Pilot Program Updates
- VTA Update
- Reviewing 2023 progress
- Setting objectives for 2024
- Work Groups – Who Wants to do what?



Comings and Goings

- Good bye Hilary Dryer (MVCF)
- Good bye Felicia (VTA)
- Welcome Karen Dowd (MVH)
- Welcome a new member of the VTA

Meet our New Mobility Manager

Welcome Lisa Stewart, longtime member of our community!

- Has been a volunteer driver for VVH
- Interested in moving forward transportation solutions for Older Adults
- Navigated her parents' aging journeys
- Owned her own Real Estate company on the Vineyard



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2024 Schedule

- Bimonthly for full coalition and have breakout workgroups meeting in between (January, March, and May meetings have been scheduled)
- Today - Setting up additional workgroups to tackle specific subjects
 - Long term funding strategy (underway)
 - Designing a new pilot program (led by Lisa Stewart)
 - Communications/Education
 - What else?

JTC Update – Let's show up!

- Happy 2024 JTC members! We are back and ready to show 2024 who's the boss! We are going to try a new format this year. The meetings will be held via HYBRID ZOOM/IN-PERSON (at the MVC offices) **the 4th Thursday every month from 12-1:30 PM**. We will be providing sandwiches or pizza for those who attend in-person here at the MVC offices.

Program Updates

- Tisbury and Oak Bluffs Shopping Shuttle (Leslie)
- Edgartown Shopping Shuttle (Lyndsay)
- GoGo (Cindy & Lisa)
- OCB (Dan) & Escort Update
- **Jan 9**
- **Feb 6**
- **March 5**

VTA Update

- Update on proposal for vehicles
- Islanders' ride free on the VTA through March
- The VTA would like the Coalition's support on creating awareness and encouraging Older Adults to participate with an event during the free ride time period.



RIDE FARE FREE THIS WINTER

NOVEMBER 24, 2023 - MARCH 31, 2024

No Fares, No Passes – Just Hop On and Go with Try Transit.

Fare has been prepaid by the MA Legislature.

Viagem sem tarifa neste inverno.

Sem tarifas, sem passes – Basta entrar e ir com o Try Transit.

A tarifa foi pré-paga pelo Legislativo do MA.

Our plan is based on strategic principles



Address the transportation needs of Older Adults

Offer a mix of transportation options to meet Older Adults where they are in their aging journey

Whenever possible, minimize the impact on our community-climate/congestion and leverage existing assets

Seek most cost effective solutions which are scalable

Create multiple streams of funding that ensure sustainability

Looking ahead, the building blocks of our Older Adult Strategic “Road Map” 2022-2025 will address service gaps in a sustainable way

An active Coalition of Older Adult service, transportation and healthcare providers to ensure collaboration on solutions and asset sharing

A transportation coordinator available to work with agencies, Older Adults and transportation providers to identify the right solution for the right time

Essential and enrichment transportation solutions that are fit-for-purpose for Older Adults at different stages of their aging journey

Multiple streams of funding to support a variety of solutions

Ongoing education of transportation options for Older Adult (marketing)



How did we do in 2023?

- What do we feel good about? Why?
- What could we have done better?

What's our grade?

Moving Forward

Getting the transportation coordination role up and running (overseen by steering committee)



Broaden education efforts on the range of options and steering individuals to the solution that meets their needs for that situation

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Continuing

Continuing on with current pilot programs, increasing the number of riders and rides, evolving the OCB program based on lessons learned



Go/no go recommendations for continuation into FY24 and beyond

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Looking to the Future

Monitor off-island medical transportation needs and landscape of solutions

Promote multiple ride solutions whenever possible (Bus, Lift, Medivan, shuttle programs etc.)



Explore and define a model for sustainable funding for the future

Identify other foundational assets that we need (such as a centralized ride scheduling software)

What do we want our 2024 Objectives to Be?

Reflecting on our strategic principles and building blocks:

- What do we continue to do?
- What do we stop doing?
- What do we add?

What Work Groups do we Need to Accomplish our Goals ?

- Long Term Funding Strategy – ongoing (Hilary, Dan, Leslie, Felicia, Cindy T, Lyndsay F.) – who else?
- Off Island Medical Transportation (Lisa, Cindy, who else?)
- Education/Awareness Work Group (Lisa, Cindy, who else?)
- Other?