

Northwest Ohio Mobility

Serving Defiance, Fulton, Henry, Paulding, & Williams Counties

Five-County Transportation Coordination Committee (TCC) Meeting – Hybrid 631 Perry St., Defiance, OH 43512

Date: 1/24/24

Attendance: If you are online, please type your name, organization, and email address in the chat.

Sierra Nathans, MVPO	Apryl McClaine	Laurie McCann
Amanda Pobega, MVPO	Lori Imm	Britney Ward
Zach Bowers, MVPO	Rachel Kinsman	Katie Schaffer
Dana Phipps	Brandi Schroder	Kathy Shaw
Abby Wolfrum	Jan Hoffer	Amanda Mahlman
Diane Gable	Melinda Camp	Mike McCann
Adam Wagner	Marissa Bechstein	Lora Lyons
Michael Shultz	Nicki Rigelman	Fulton County Health Center – unknown name
Brian Heil	Tonie Long	
Jim Stripe	Tante Lovins	

Today!

1. Quick introductions since this is the first time we are meeting with all five counties!
2. Overview of the last meeting,
3. Coordinated Transportation Plan updates,
4. Updated goals draft,
5. Decide on our next steps,
6. Roundtable discussion to hear any updates or thoughts from transportation providers, riders, or others in our community.

Last Meeting

Multi-County

- Discussed ODOT wanting to regionalize – we do not need to worry about this, we are regionalizing by adding Paulding into our coordinated plan
- When transportation providers apply for 5310/5311 funding, they need to be part of the Coordinated Plan – providers added to goals

Paulding County

- Adding Paulding County to Multi-County Coordinated Plan
- Goal: want to add 5311 (public transit) to Paulding County
 - Needed: a non-profit or senior center to be the main contact/head
- Need to create a long-term goal/plan for young people going to a doctor – not elderly or disabled

Goals & Strategies

Please see the *DRAFT Goals & Strategies*.

Updates/suggestions for the current goals and strategies?

- Parts that are still being edited are in red text

Goal 1. Efficient utilization of resources.

- Combined Multi-County and Paulding County goals with several parts
- Tonie Long – asked about submitting an ODOT grant for 2025
 - Setting up a meeting between Tonie, Sierra, and Kathy Shaw to further discuss ADAMHs Board contract renewal with Triangular Processing
 - Sierra – send Tonie invites for county meetings along with Defiance meeting notes

Goal 2. Seek regional transportation cooperation

- Seeking provider information to fill gaps – if you are a transportation provider and have not sent Sierra an [updated provider information form](#), please do so by January 31st or as soon as possible
- Some of this goal still needs to be edited
- Need to start up quarterly meetings with 5310/5311 funded transportation providers and mobility manager

Goal 3. Transportation education

- Mainly a goal for the Mobility Manager – create education for the public and stakeholders + attend community events to distribute educational content

Five-County Coordinated Transportation Plan

We are beginning the full update for our Coordinated Transportation Plan for all five MVPO counties.

If you are a transportation provider and have not sent in an updated Provider Info sheet, please do so by January 31st.

BGSU MPA students are starting a survey for our constituents to find needs and gaps in transportation. Once they have completed the survey, we will need help distributing the survey to as many constituents as possible – this will be available online and on paper.

- QR codes in busses/vehicles
- Hoping providers/stakeholders can help distribute the survey to riders/the community

Next Steps

- Transportation providers – send Sierra updated information
- Distribute community survey
- Sierra editing Coordinated Transportation Plan goals – will discuss finalized goals at the next TCC meeting
- In-person interviews/surveys at senior centers across the five counties

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- Marissa suggested to add distribution boxes at libraries for surveys

Other Updates

Sierra Nathans (Mobility Manager) and Amanda Pobega (Transportation Planner) are now CarFit Technician and Event Coordinator certified! If you are interested in hosting a CarFit event or would like us to coordinate one, please let us know!

- What is CarFit? The program is designed to help older drivers find out how well they currently fit their personal vehicle, to highlight actions they can take to improve their fit, and to promote conversations about driver safety and community mobility. A proper fit in one's personal vehicle can greatly increase not only the driver's safety but also the safety of others.
- Find more information on their website: <https://car-fit.org/>

Other community events coming up?

Community Updates

This is the time for any updates, questions, comments, or concerns.

- Brian Heil: conducting focus groups with Defiance College and Defiance County Health Department to figure out data/issues with getting to medical appointments
 - Will let us know their findings once focus groups are completed
- Transportation flow charts – updated to ensure all providers are listed
 - [Medical Transportation Flow Chart](#)
 - [Personal & Employment Transportation Flow Chart](#)

2024 Meetings

January 24, 2024, 9:30am

April 24, 2024, 9:30am

July 24, 2024, 9:30am

October 23, 2024, 9:30am

All meetings will be hybrid via Zoom and in-person at 631 Perry St. Defiance, OH 43512

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZEpc2ppzMuH9wAG7rBRvkTKTxHH_kMO_LH

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.