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**Transportation Improvement Program** New Jersey TIP (FY2020-2023) Pennsylvania TIP (FY2021-2024)







### **Transit and Regional Rail Station Program**

SEPTA | Add New Project to TIP & Add Prior Year Funding to Current Year

- TIP Amendment
- Action: Add new Complete Streets Concepts and Design for the Grays Avenue Corridor project (\$495,000 HOPE for FY21 ERC phase); and Add Direct Bus Phase B project funds back into program (\$2M prior year FTA Section 5339B funds for FY21 ERC)
- Reason: SEPTA awarded competitive FTA grant for Helping Obtain Prosperity for Everyone (HOPE) program for Grays Avenue Corridor project
- Reason: Funds must be programmed in current FY to obligate in grant for Direct Bus Phase B project
- Background:
  - These are additional funds to the region

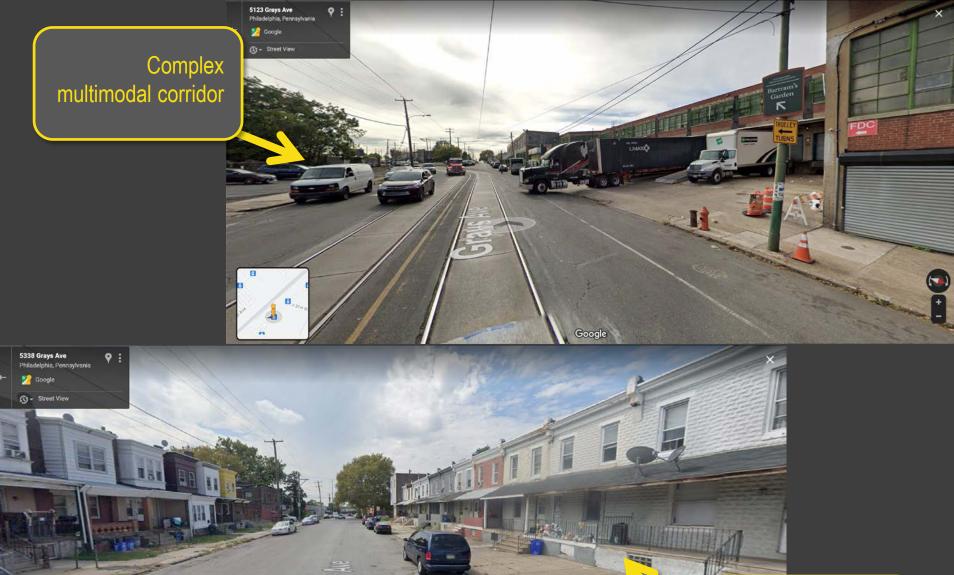




# **Complete Streets Concepts and Design for the Grays Avenue Corridor Project**

- Stakeholder meetings, public outreach to develop preferred corridor concept
- 15% design documents for Route 36 trolley improvements





Residential neighborhoods

#### Direct Bus Phase B project

- Design and construction of 8 enhanced bus stations along Hunting Park and Ridge Avenues
- Includes accessibility enhancements, lighting, landscaping, and real-time information
- Total cost of this project is \$2,500,000



# Safety and Security Improvements SEPTA | Add New Project to TIP

- TIP Amendment
- Action: Add Transit Track Worker & First
  Responder Safety Protection Demonstration
  project to program (\$742,000 FTA Section 5312
  funds for FY21 ERC phase)
- Reason: SEPTA awarded national competitive grant funds
- Background:
  - These are additional funds to the region
  - Total project cost = \$1,060,000



# Maintenance & Transportation Facilities SEPTA | Add Project Back into TIP

- TIP Amendment
- Action: Add Midvale Depot Electric Bus Infrastructure project back into program (\$4.3M FTA Section 5339C to ERC phase in FY21)
- Reason: Project originally added to FY2019 TIP in July 2020, but was inadvertently omitted from being added to FY2021 TIP
- Background:
  - These are additional funds to the region
  - SEPTA awarded competitive Low or No Emission (Low-No) Program grant funds





### TIP ACTION | Proposed - PA

Request Board Approval – 3 Amendments

- Safety and Security Improvements
   Add Transit Track Worker & First Responder Safety
   Protection Demonstration project for FY21 ERC (\$742,000 FTA 5312)
- Maintenance & Transportation Facilities
   Add Midvale Depot Electric Bus Infrastructure project back into TIP for FY21 ERC (\$4.3 M FTA 5339C)



#### **Coatesville Train Station**

PennDOT Bureau of Rail, Freight, Ports, and Waterways | Add Project Back into TIP

- TIP Amendment
- Action: Add \$43,713,000 Coatesville Train
   Station project back into TIP for FY21 CON (\$34,971,000 FTA 5337/\$8,742,000 State 1516)
- Reason: Project has progressed through design process; ready to be advertised and let for CON
- Background:
  - Total cost estimate = \$64,949,000
  - \$21,237,000 already placed into grant
  - These are additional funds to the region





- New ADA accessible train station 300 feet east of current station
- Improved lighting, level-boarding platforms, overhead canopy, elevators, improvements to 4th Avenue underpass for pedestrians
- Track re-alignment, freight bypass track
- 100 to 150 parking spaces





Streetscape improvements completed







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### TIP ACTION | Proposed - PA

 Request Board Approval of TIP Amendment

Coatesville Train Station
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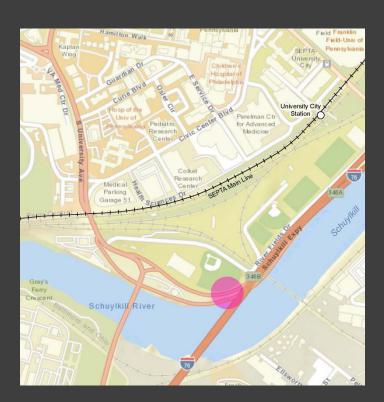
# **University Avenue and I-76 Off Ramp Intersection Safety Improvements**

City of Philadelphia | Remove Project Funding

- TIP Amendment
- Action: Remove CON phase (\$2,162,000 HSIP) in FY21 and delete project from FY2021 TIP
- Reason: Funding no longer needed on FY2021
   TIP. Project was let for CON under FY2019 TIP
- Background:
  - Funds become resource for other regional HSIP-eligible projects



New ADA ramps and pedestrian countdown timers



Replacing signal heads, mast arms, controllers, and vehicle detection





# Regional Traffic Management Center (RTMC) General Contract

Various Counties | Reduce Funding

- TIP Amendment
- Action: Reduce funding by \$17,546,000

FY21: \$3,311,000 STP/Toll Credit,

FY23: \$4,305,000 STU/Toll Credit,

FY24: \$9,930,000 STU/Toll Credit

- Reason: Funding no longer needed on FY2021
   TIP. Project let for CON earlier this year
- Background:
  - Full cost of project (\$59,952,000) programmed for Advance Construct conversion during development of FY2021 TIP
  - Funds become a resource for future cost increases on other projects





### **TIP ACTION | Proposed - PA**

- Request Board Approval of 2 **TIP Amendments**
- **University Avenue and I-76 Off Ramp Intersection Safety Improvements** Remove FY21 CON phase (\$2,162,000 HSIP) and delete project from FY2021 TIP
- **Regional Traffic Management Center** (RTMC) General Contract

Reduce funding by \$17,546,000

FY21: \$3,311,000 STP/Toll Credit

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FY24: \$9,930,000 STU/Toll Credit























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# Financing Program Overview NJ Transportation Bank

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### Types of Projects (Surface Transportation Projects)

- Bridges: Resurfacing/Re-decking, Construction and Demolition
- Roadways: Milling and Paving
- Pedestrian: Walkways / Overpass, Bicycle Paths, Ramps, Rails-to-Trails
- Sidewalk Rehab: ADA compliant curb ramps, landscaping
- Signal / Lighting: Upgrades / Modernization
- Freight Assets: Road capacity, Safety improvements
- Congestion Relief
- ROW Acquisition: In conjunction with a Transportation project



#### Overview

- Joint partnership with NJDOT
- Comprised of Two Financing Programs:
  - Base Program
  - TIFIA RPI
- Funds appropriated by the NJ Legislature
  - Funds are appropriated through the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF)
  - \$20M-\$40M available per fiscal year
  - Appropriated by your Senate and Assembly representatives
  - This is <u>your money</u> to utilize for qualified Transportation Infrastructure projects
  - Funds allocated by the I-Bank to eligible projects



### **Funding Capabilities**

### **Short-Term Loan**

- Funds available to borrowers as contracts are certified (Eng., CM, Const.)
- Finance P&D, Legal, Permits
  - Differs from Local Aid
  - Up to 2 years for Eng. & Design costs
- Finance CM and Construction costs
  - Up to 3 full fiscal years
- Req'\$ paid in 2-14 days!!!
- No P&I repayments due during S-T loan



### **Funding Capabilities**

### **Long-Term Loan**

- Term-out Short-Term loan after construction completion
- Maturity: Useful life dictated by Engineer, ≤ 31 yrs.
  - Not subject to Local Bond Law rules
- Rate: 50% funds 0%; 50% funds AAA rate
- AAA Borrower Debt Service Savings: <u>30</u> yr ~ **12%**, <u>20</u> yr ~ **5%**; <u>15</u> yr ~ **1.5%**
- AA Borrower Debt Service Savings: 30 yr ~ 13.2%
- A Borrower Debt Service Savings: 30 yr ~ 14.7%
- Legislation: Bill S-767 / A-4552
  - Exemption of 5% LFB down payment

**PROGRAM Savings and Benefits make more projects likely** 



Example - Base Program Financing

20-year Total Debt Service: \$5 million Project, Aa3 Borrower

100% Self-financed (Aa3 rated)

\$6.197 M

6.8% Debt service savings

100% NJ Transportation Bank: (50% - No Interest / 50% - NJIB AAA Rating)

\$5.778 M

20.0% Debt service savings

20% Local Aid Grant

80% Self-financed (Aa3 rated)

\$4.956 M

25.4% Debt service savings

20% Local Aid Grant

80% NJ Trans Bank

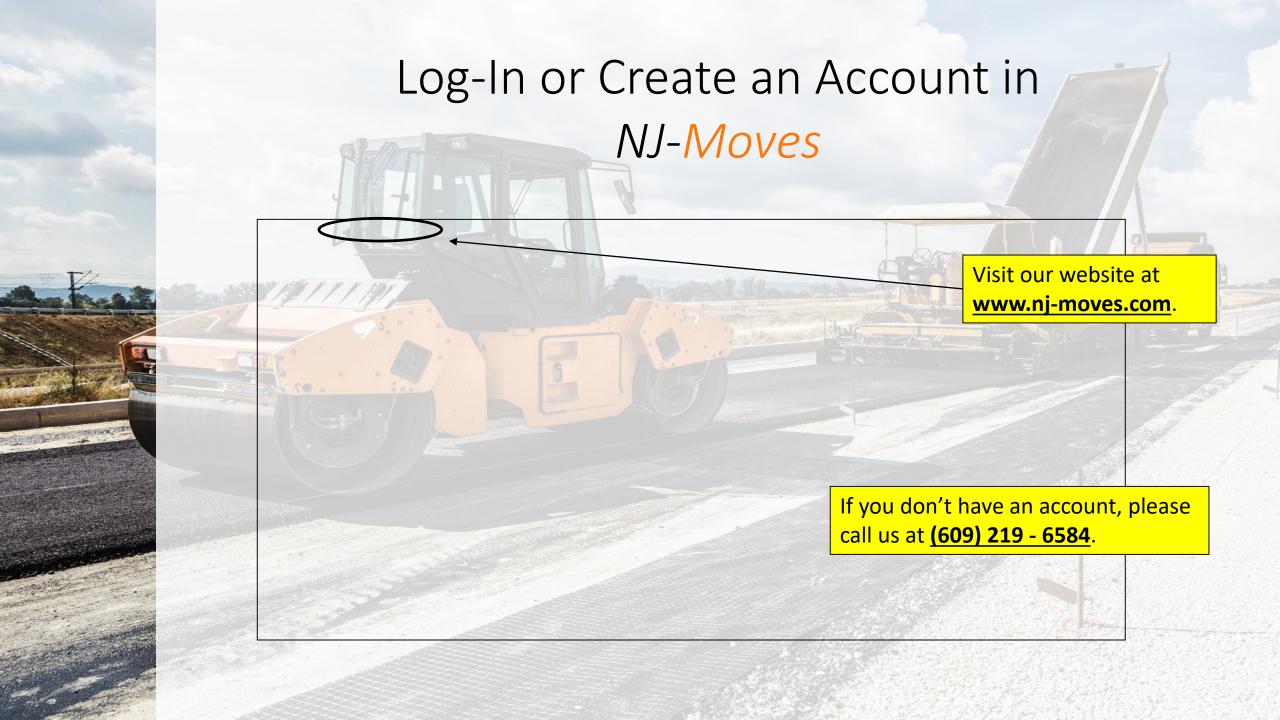
\$4.622 M

Example savings based on \$5M Project and 20-year maturity

- Grant-like program
- Trans Bank
  Alternatives
  Save btwn
  6.8% 25.4%

If you borrow funds for Project Financing, Use the Transportation Bank!







### **Application Process**

#### **Project Info Submission**

- Basic project information
- Project Location Map
- Estimated project costs
- Application/Project schedule

#### **Engineering Contract Review**

- Scope of Work
- Engineering Contract
- Authorizing Resolution
- Engineer's Estimate

#### **Financial Info Submission**

- Official Action (Order / Resolution)
- LFB Resolution
- Satisfy credit worthiness
- Certification of Useful Life

#### **Construction Contract Review**

- Plans & Specs (Standard Input 2019)
  - EO 215
  - SBE Requirement
- Authorization to Advertise
- Bid Package
- Concurrence of Award



### Key Points to Remember

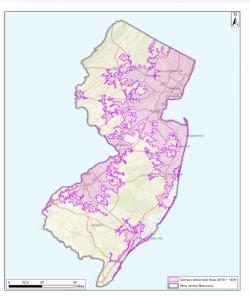
- There is no obligation to establish an account in NJ-Moves (<u>www.nj-moves.com</u>)
  - Initial submission can be completed in less than 10 minutes!
- Can be used in conjunction with Local Aid Grant \$\$
- Multiple projects can be combined into one loan
  - All construction must be complete within three fiscal years after concurrence
- Funds are allocated quarterly to highest ranked projects on the list based on construction <u>readiness</u> and <u>availability</u> of funds
  - You are never more than three months away from knowing if your project has been allocated funds
- Transportation Bank staff provide Technical Assistance
  - Walk you through each step, in order to expedite your application process



### TIFIA Rural Project Initiative

- Transportation Infrastructure Finance & Innovation Act (TIFIA) / Rural Project Initiative (RPI)
- Loan Structure
  - Eligible Rural projects are those outside a Census-defined urbanized area of population greater than 150K
  - 80% Financing at 50% Treasury Rate (Today's Interest Rate Approx. 0.7%)
  - 20% Financing at 50% I-Bank AAA Rate
  - ≤ 35 yr. Maturities
- Federal Requirements
  - Possibly picked up by I-Bank

TIFIA Rural Project Initiative



### LOW-COST LOANS FOR RURAL TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

The NJ RPI capitalizes on Federal transportation resources available to rural communities. The purpose is to help these communities overcome challenges in financing critical transportation infrastructure projects by offering funding at subsidized rates. The NJ RPI provides significant savings for eligible surface transportation projects in defined rural areas.

#### The NJ RPI:

- . Offers fixed interest rate long-term loans for up to 35 years.
- Lends 80% of the project's eligible costs at approximately 50% of the U.S.
   Treasury Rate.
- Finances project soft costs including application, legal, and engineering fees

#### **DETAILED RURAL AREA MAPS**

A rural area is defined as being located outside of an urbanized area of a population greater than 150,000 individuals as determined by the Bureau of Census. (White area of Maps)

Detailed Rural Area Maps by County	
Atlantic County	Middlesex County
Bergen County	Monmouth County
Burlington County	Morris County
Camden County	Ocean County
Cape May County	Passaic County
Cumberland County	Salem County

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#### Resources

- NJ-Moves Portal (Application Processing)
  - https://www.nj-moves.com
- NJ Infrastructure Bank website
  - https://www.njib.gov
- Rural Area Maps by County
  - https://www.njib.gov/nj/Rural+Project+Initiative+RPI.57
- NJDOT Standard Specifications
  - <a href="https://www.state.nj.us/transportation/eng/specs/">https://www.state.nj.us/transportation/eng/specs/</a>
- Project Priority List (current)
  - https://cdn.njib.gov/njtib/publications/sfy2021/SFY21 Trans 1stAmended PPL.pdf



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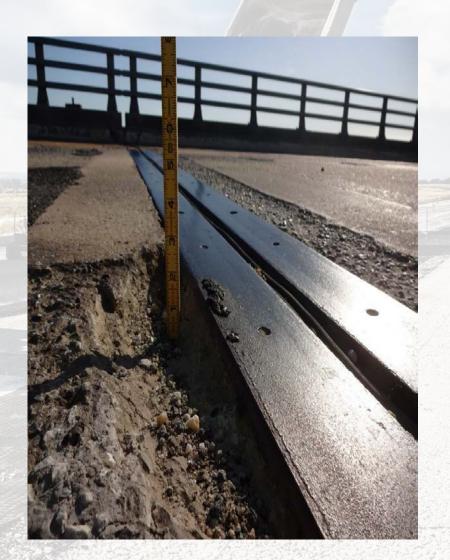
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# EQUITY THROUGH I

#### **GAPS AND BRIDGES**

2020 Update to the Region's Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan

Regional Technical Committee 11/10/20



#### What is Equity Through Access?

Federally required Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plan (CHSTP) under FTA Section 5310 that:

> "...identifies the transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, seniors and people with low incomes, provides strategies for meeting those needs, and prioritizes transportation services for funding and implementation."



#### **Purpose**

Update 2016 plan to reflect new priorities and develop strategies that will provide better access to essential services for our region's most vulnerable populations.

#### **Essential services:**

Places of employment, grocery stores, schools, medical care facilities, recreation/open space, senior centers, and centers for the developmentally disabled

#### Vulnerable populations:

Elderly (65+), Households in poverty, disabled





#### **Outreach**

#### **Roadshows**

- Mercer County Coalition for Coordinated Transportation
- Coatesville Area Senior Center
- Association of the Blind and Visually Impaired
- Inglis House
- Montgomery County Senior Adult Activities Center
- Bucks-Mont Collaborative
- Camden United We Ride
- NJTRANSIT Citizens Advisory Committee
- Bucks County Senior Advisory Council

#### **Steering Committee Workshop**

 Service providers, transit agencies, county planners, advocates, and community members.

#### **COVID-19 Survey**

 Sent to service providers and users to understand regional impacts of COVID-19 and identify difficulties and new practices.

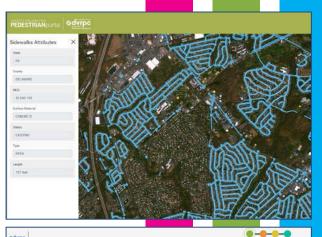


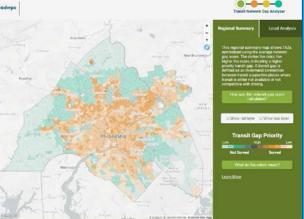


## **Related Work and Action Steps**

- 1. Sidewalk Inventory
- 2. Regional Transit Priority Setting
- 3. Road to Health Workshop
- 4. Mercer County Regional Paratransit Coordination Workshop







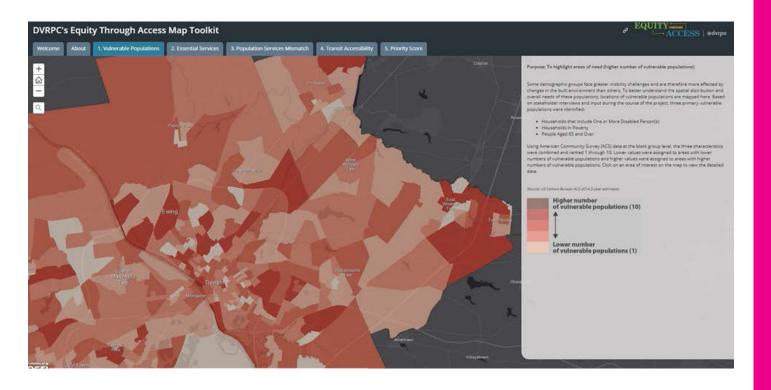


## **Other Update Components**

- Update regional technical analysis and map toolkit for use by regional and local partners.
- 1. Case studies of regional and national best practices in transit equity.
- 1. Regional webmap of public shuttle services.

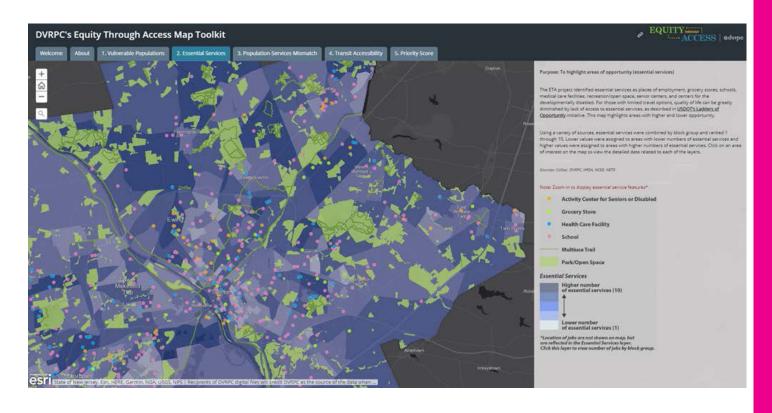


## **ETA Map Toolkit**



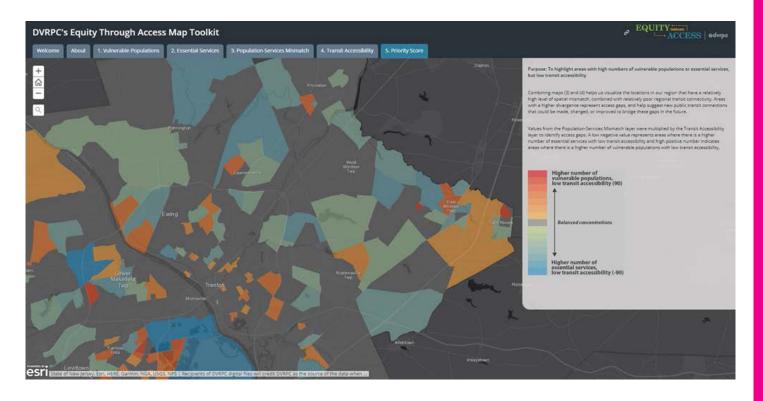


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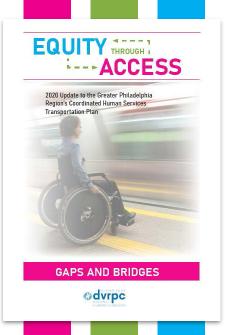
In October 2020, DVRPC published "Gaps & Bridges", a report that identifies priority issues and strategies that can be cited by those seeking funding for traditional CHSTP programs, and from other sources.

#### Gaps:

Factors that limit transportation access for seniors, low-income, and disabled populations.

#### **Bridges:**

Strategies that improve transportation access for seniors, low-income, and disabled populations.





## Gaps

#### Infrastructure

- Not all fixed-route transit service is ADA accessible.
- Transfers between transportation modes are not always accessible, coordinated, affordable, or intuitive.

## **Service and Funding**

- There is inadequate funding to meet overall service demand among vulnerable populations.
- The cost of transportation can be a financial burden for vulnerable populations.





## Gaps:

#### **Data and Coordination**

- Human services transportation providers lack detailed, block-level data on the needs and associated destinations of local shuttle users.
- Lack of coordination between transit services and land development projects.
  - Development patterns and working hours are changing, but transit is not always flexible enough to keep up—or new footprints are not transit supportive—resulting in transit deserts where people live, work, and shop.



## Create accessible and affordable infrastructure

- Develop a program for constructing and maintaining sidewalks that connect to transit.
- Prioritize accessibility improvements at/in:
  - key transportation hubs, activity centers, and essential services that serve significant numbers of vulnerable populations; and
  - communities with concentrations of low, income, disabled and/or senior populations.





## **Improve Service**

- Encourage improvements to service frequency, service span, and transit stations for routes serving low-income areas with high ridership.
- Work with Transportation Management
   Associations to coordinate transportation
   services with employee shifts at large
   employment centers through deeper
   engagement with employers.



Credit: Greater Mercer TMA



### **Improve Outreach and Communication**

- Train case workers, hospital patient navigators, and job coaches to provide clients with information about transit, paratransit, TNC options, and/or travel training.
- Create a peer-to-peer learning program for new transit riders from vulnerable groups like <u>Los Angeles Metro's On the Move Riders</u> <u>Program</u>.





## Encourage creative, flexible use of existing funding sources and identify new funding partners

- Encourage creativity in the mixing of funding sources to break down funding silos (such as those separated by trip purpose) and increase transit options for vulnerable populations.
- Look into value capture techniques, such as
   Transportation Improvement Districts, to improve
   transit access in areas with high concentrations of
   jobs or essential services but insufficient transit
   options.



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#### Create data resources

- Encourage data sharing between transportation agencies to perform travel demand analysis to define potential changes to existing paratransit services.
- Develop and share more planning and mapping tools to help with project development, such as DVRPC's <u>ETA</u> <u>Map Toolkit</u>.



## Overall, the plan encourages...

- Prioritizing dignity in mobility access.
- Adoption of new technologies for service delivery, coordination, and passenger information.
- More thinking about the role of infrastructure in enabling or hindering access.
- Better coordination in every respect: trip type, development connectivity, data sharing, and more.
- Innovative approaches to funding projects





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# Preparing Greater Philadelphia for Highly Automated Vehicle Deployment

RTC I November 10, 2020

## Companion Reports



#### EXPLORATORY SCENARIOS FOR GREATER PHILADELPHIA DISPATCHES ALTERNATE FUTURES DELAYED **EXPECTATIONS** A world overcome by climate change and economic slowdown IN THIS ISSUE PEOPLE POWER Grassroots movement to a more just and sustainable future COVID-19 TECHNOLOGY **BREAKING NEWS** See pages 26, 40, 54, and 68 **DRIVER'S SEAT** Big Tech takes control INCLUSIVE TECH emerges through

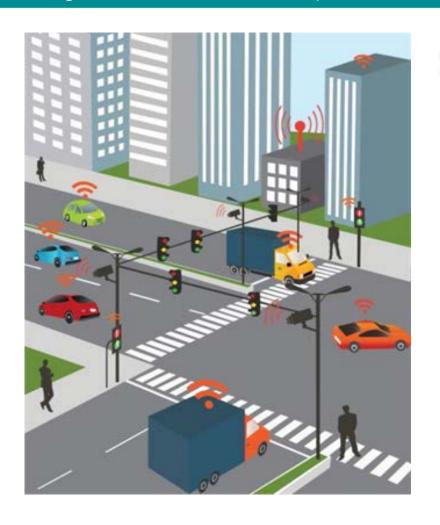
## Merge Ahead



## What is an Automated Vehicle?



# What Does an Automated Driving System Do (Level 4 HAV)?



## **Operations**

- Precise location in detailed 3-D map w/ GPS or Inertial Measurement & on-board computer
- 2. Scan roadway w/sensors
- 3. Predict movement of object that can move.
- 4. Act on speed, trajectory, and steering



## SAE Automated Vehicle Levels

**Partially Automated Vehicles** 

**Highly Automated Vehicles (HAVs)** 

**LEVEL 0** 

LEVEL 1

LEVEL 2

**LEVEL 3** 

**LEVEL 4** 

You are not driving when these automated

driving features are engaged—even if

your are seated in the 'driver's' seat

LEVEL 5

What does human in the driver's seat have to do? **You are driving** whenever these driver assistance systems are engaged—even if your feet are off the pedals and you are not steering

You must constantly supervise these assistance systems: you must steer, brake, or accelerate as needed to maintain safety

When the system requests you must drive

These automated systems will not require you to take over driving

These are advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS)

These are automated driving systems (ADS)

What do these systems do?

Source: Adapted from SAF

Warnings and momentary assistance Support driver steering **OR** brake / acceleration

driver steering AND brake/ acceleration

Support

Can drive the vehicle under limited conditions and will not operate unless required conditions are met

Can drive the vehicle under all conditions

## Preparing for HAVs -Key Takeaways

- 1. There is considerable uncertainty associated with HAVs.
- 2. Level 4 HAVs are likely to arrive in 5-10 years. Level 5 HAVs are probably much further away.
- 3. Once deployed, HAVs are likely to:
  - a. Expand the role of the private market in transportation services and potentially infrastructure development.
  - b. Further erode the viability of the gas tax, while increasing infrastructure investment demands.
- 4. The region needs to:
  - a. Articulate a clear vision and strategies for HAV deployment.
  - b. Create new regional partnership(s) to prepare for technology deployment.
- 5. There are many low-regret strategies that the region can implement now to prepare for HAV deployment.



## Development & Deployment Uncertainty

- → Safety
- → Artificial Intelligence & Reliance on Technology
- → Profitable Business Models
- → Infrastructure Investment Needs
- → Cybers ecurity
- → HAV Regulations
- → Current Events: COVID-19, Black Lives Matter



## Deployment Outcome Uncertainty

- → Economy & Jobs
- → Mobility & Congestion
- → Energy Use & Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- → Urban Vitality / Open Space Preservation
- → Transportation Equity
- → Redesigned Transportation Network
- → Data



**INCREMENTAL CHANGE** 

TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE

LIMATE CHANGE & EQUITY

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POLITICAL WILL / COLLECTIVE ACTION

## PEOPLE POWER

Grassroots democracy gives citizens more input into the development of their communities and the economy, while readily available technologies are deployed to fight climate change.



MARKET FORCES / INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY



## DELAYED EXPECTATIONS

Climate change, sharp political swings, ongoing civil discord, and a slowdown in innovation lead to a lack of direction and economic stagnation.

# TECHNOLOGY IN THE DRIVER'S SEAT

Markets drive economic growth through Big Data, algorithms, and innovation.

# Incremental Technology

## Dispatches HAV Scenarios

#### Political Will & Collective Action

### **People Power**

Federal government advancing truck platooning, connected vehicles, and automated shuttles.

#### **Inclusive Tech**

Open source principles and federal investments in quantum computing and artificial general intelligence bring about Level 5 HAVs in mid-2030s.

## **Delayed Expectations**

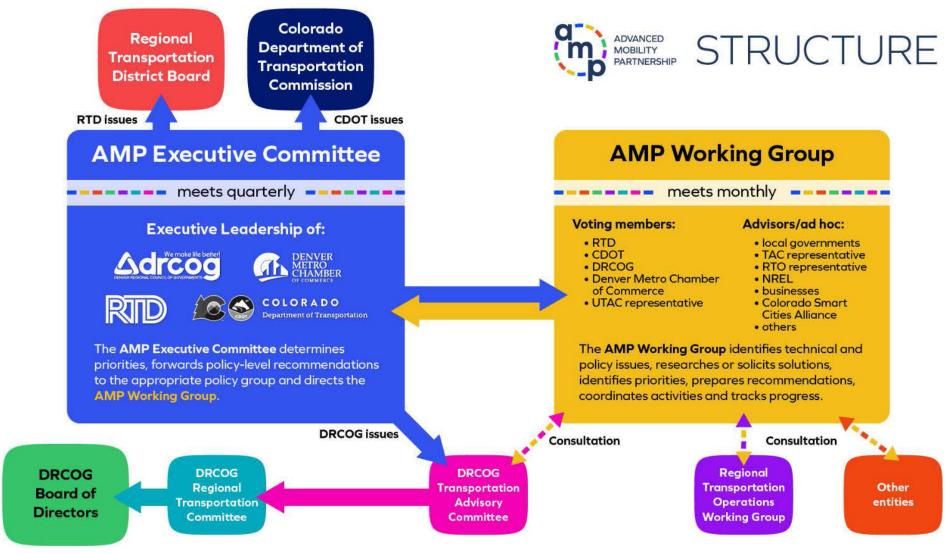
Automated vehicle development stalls due to stagnant economy & worsening climate change.

## Technology in the Driver's Seat

Level 4 HAVs roll out on the region's roads before most communities are ready.



## Advanced Mobility Partnership



Source: Advanced Mobility Partnership.

## Crafting a Vision for HAVs

Motorized Mobility	Individual Mobility		
	Privately-Owned HAVs – A continuation of the existing private vehicle ownership model.	Multimodal Shared Mobility Network – A MaaS model where travel is purchased through subscriptions or by trip and uses an app to determine the best available mode.	Multimodal Mobility
	Shared Motorized Mobility – A MaaS model where vehicle trips are purchased through subscriptions or by trip instead of vehicle ownership.	Active Mobility – Prioritizes walking, biking, and conventional and automated transit; HAVs fill hard to make trip gaps and supplement peak period demand.	
	Shared Mobility		

## Strategies

- → Universal Actions
  - ◆ Short-term, low- or no-regret
  - ◆ Medium- and long-term
- → Adaptive Strategies



# Short-Term Low-/No-Regret Actions

- 1. Learn from technology deployment **best practices** around the world.
- 2. Conduct extensive public **engagement and education** on HAVs.
- 3. Work with state DOTs on plans for safe HAV testing and deployment.
- 4. Prioritize roadway state-of-good repair and maintenance needs.
- 5. Reduce speed limits and pursue other Vision Zero strategies.
- 6. Use governmental procurement to advance vehicle technologies.
- 7. Expand and integrate shared mobility options with transit + mobility hubs, dedicated pick-up / drop-off curbspace, and reduced parking minimums.
- 8. Pursue **transit-first strategies**: transit signal priority, off-board fare payment, and dedicated bus lanes.
- 9. License private shared mobility services to operate if they: serve everyone, share data, integrate with transit and other transportation providers, follow curb regulations, and meet safety standards. Renew licenses if requirements are met.
- 10. Equitably distribute infrastructure improvements across the region.
- 11. Work with state and local governments to determine **data** needs, and build local government data management and processing capacity.

## Next Steps

- → Inform *Connections 2050* Plan development.
- → Explore forming a Greater Philadelphia Advanced Mobility Partnership.





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# Assisting Commuters (After) COVID: Update

Presentation to the DVRPC RTC November 10, 2020

## Goals

- To assist businesses and employees with navigating their options for commuting as restrictions ease from the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting work shut-down, and
- To continue the momentum of previous messaging regarding transportation options that reduce congestion once the backto-work period begins.



## ACAC Back ground

- RideECO was sold to Edenred Commuter Benefits on 3/31/20
- Funds remained for marketing efforts: \$153,000 total
- Due to the mandated closing of businesses during COVID it was not possible to use these funds before the end of FY20
- Proposed plan to spend these funds in FY21 for encouraging safe commutes as employees return to work
  - Note: the shutdown has lasted much longer than anyone anticipated



#### ACAC Context

Transportation Demand Management (TDM) efforts came to a near halt:

- Many employees started working from home f/t or had their jobs suspended or hours cut
- Transit agencies lost riders and had to reduce service and eliminate some routes
- Construction projects had been on hold until summer

No Travel = No Demand to Manage!



### Factors for ACAC Marketing Effort

- More people were/are biking and walking for exercise one goal is to keep them in the habit and encourage them to incorporate these activities into their new commute
- Many businesses were "forced" to implement telework programs
   "on the fly" we want to encourage continuation and permanency
- Transit agencies were mostly carrying essential workers now ready to carry more commuters: reinstated schedules, perfected cleaning methods, limited seating, mask requirements, free transfers, etc.



#### Proposed Efforts

- Coordinate and Support Bike (Back) to Work Programs
  - Bike Month and Bike to Work Day in September
  - Incorporate New Bike Match Program
- Facilitate Continuation and Expansion of TMA and Contractor Work on Telecommuting
  - Telework Training; Regional Messaging



#### Proposed Efforts, cont'd

- Create and initiate a regional education campaign to urge a return to transit as a commute option
  - o "Thank" current essential workers for using it
  - Assure previous (and potential new) riders the system is safe
  - Spread info on reduced capacity, changed schedules, etc.



### Proposed Efforts Still to be Implemented

- Encourage former carpool and vanpool members to reconnect via "Lunch Bunch" virtual gatherings
  - Encourage potential new pool partners from SAR to do the same
- Partner on relevant AQP programs (spring 2021)

Possible second schedule for transit



#### Programs Completed

- Bike to Work Month/Week
  - Sponsor of Bike Giveaway Contest to promote B2WW part of "Tour de Health" promotion on Entercom network
    - Contest ran 9/21-10/4
    - Spots on WOGL, KYW, WBEB
      - :15 and :30 scripted, produced by Entercom
    - Contest home page
    - Ad on Radio.com, WIP home page
    - SM (#BikeWeekPhilly) Entercom/WOGL and DVRPC
    - Mentions by Glenn Kalina WOGL Morning Host and avid bicyclist

Winner: Michael Young - will get bike from Cadence Cycling Center, Manayunk dvrpc

#### Programs Completed

- Teleworking
  - Telework Seminar for TMAs will Post to MAP/ACAC Page
  - Sponsorships on Total Traffic and Weather Network
    - 31 words/10 seconds
    - 6AM-7PM on 10 stations in network
    - 9/28-10/11 134 mentions total
  - Online Programmatic Ads
    - Target Employers HR and decision makers
    - Cross-platform, with access to WSJ.com, InsideBiz.com and Crain.com
    - **9/28-10/25**



#### Programs Completed, cont'd

- Telework, cont'd
  - Online Pay per click (PPC)
    - Reach individuals actively searching for the services DVRPC offers
    - Program will appear as "Ad" at top of search page and we pay each time an ad is clicked
    - Sample of key words phrases (32): telework(ing), telecommute, work from home, remote work program, etc.
    - **9/28 10/25**



#### Programs Completed, cont'd

- Try Transit (Again) / Get (Back) on Transit
  - Online Programmatic Ads
    - Targeted to former riders (bleeds with potential new riders)
    - 10/26 11/29
  - TT&W Network Sponsorships
    - **10/26 11/8**



#### Programs Completed, cont'd

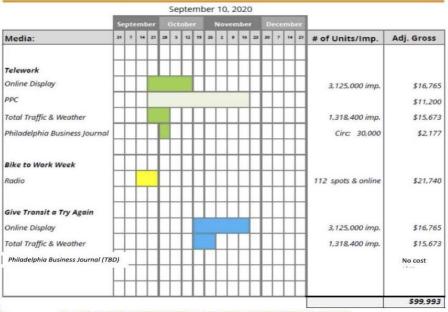
- Philadelphia Business Journal
  - Full Program August
    - Full-page 4-color ad discounted for special issue on Back to Work
  - Telework October
    - ½-page 4-color ad offered at cost for ¼-page
  - Try Transit (Again) November
    - ¼-page 4-color ad free as part of ad in special issue



#### Schedule

#### DVRPC

#### **Commute After Covid Programs**





#### Sample Ads - PBJ





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If your company didn't have a telework program prior to COVID, It likely does now! And businesses have found many benefits to having employees work from home, from staff enjoying more flexible schedules to savings on utilities and parking costs – all while maintaining or even increasing productivity.

Continuing your telework program in some form will be beneficial in bringing back employees slowly and safety, and allowing parents to juggle children's new and varied school schedules. DVRPC's Commuter Services can assist employers with establishing more realistic, longer-term, and permanent work from home policles and programs that will best serve each company's needs.

www.dvrpc.org/CommuterServices

# Getting **to work** should be safe, too.

Bringing employees back to a safe work environment is critical now.

But HOW they'll get to work is also important. The Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) manages a host of programs to help employers determine what commuting options will work best for employees in today's environment, without clogging our roads with drive-alone vehicles.

#### telework



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#### biking & walking



been more active during this pandemic so far, outside walking and riding

Many of us have

bixes more frequently. This is good for physical and mental health as we travel less overall. Many employees can incorporate their new bixing habits into their commute back to work — whether for the full insure or to connect to transit. Walking and bixing logs enourage friendly competition and help employees stay active and be "green".

#### transit



Our transit systems have been the "workhorses" that have allowed many

essential workers to get to their jobs during the Stay at Home period. Although most service had been limited since March. transit has been able to move riders safely - through reduced seating capacity (and marked spacing), mask requirements, and constant deep cleaning of vehicles as frequently as possible. SEPTA's Key system also offers more flexibility for Travel Wallet on its Key Card, and transfers are now free - this also provides a contactless way to use the system.



#### Try transit (again).



Fransit has been there for our essential workers, getting many to work during COVID And as the rest of us slowly start back to work, transit is there for us, too – moving

mask requirements, and constant deep cleaning objects mask requirements, and constant deep cleaning of vehicles. SEPTA's Key fare system also offers more flexibility for single rides, round-trip tickets, and a new 3-day ticket with the Travel Wallet on the Key Gard (with free transfers!)

To find out how to commute safely and conveniently on NJTrans
PATCO and SEPTA on to www.dyroc.org/MobilityAlternatives





#### Sample Social Media - Bike Week











### Sample Ads - Telework and Try Transit (Again)



Commuter Services can help your program work even harder.



#### TELEWORKING is WORKING.

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Going back to work?

DVRPC's Commuter Services can help.



Give transit a try (again).

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### Sample Ads - In Place













#### Analysis

- Reports from Affirm (media agency)
  - How many connections and rates
  - Device used (desktop, laptop, tablet, phone)
  - Efficiencies
- Google Analytics (DVRPC pages)
  - Visits to pages during campaign(s) directed to
     <a href="https://www.dvrpc.org/CommuterServices">www.dvrpc.org/CommuterServices</a> shows per day and times of day
    - + Check activity on related pages
  - Devices used





# National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week

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# National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week





# First Responder Struck-bys

- Fire: Second leading cause of death
- 44 Responder fatalities in 2020
  - 44 total responder fatalities in 2019\*
- Towers: Roughly one fatality per week
- \*ResponderSafety.com









April 26: Thorndale Fire Company on US Route 30 Bypass EB in Chester County



## National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week

Slow down. Move over. Be safe.



National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week

**November 9th-15th, 2020** 













































# National Traffic Incident Response Awareness Week

- Fifth year of the National Campaign endorsed by FHWA (November 9<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>)
- Purpose is to make roadways safer for first responders and travelers
- Promote and Educate on the Move Over Laws
- DVRPC holding a social media campaign





### Move Over Laws

- Laws in place for both New Jersey and Pennsylvania
- If conditions permit, driver must move over one lane, or slow down when approaching an emergency vehicle









### Move Over Laws

- On Thursday, October 29th, Governor Tom Wolf signed Senate Bill 1281, the enhanced Move Over Legislation into law, Act 105 of 2020 takes effect April 27, 2021
- The legislation also renames the law as the "Move Over Law"
- Increased fines includes 2 points for the violation
  - 1st offense = Increased from \$250 to \$500
  - 2nd offense = Increased from \$500 to \$1,000
  - 3rd or subsequent offense = Increased from \$1,000 to \$2,000





# Social Media Campaign

#### Sample Social Media Messages and Graphics

- November 9-15 is National Traffic Incident Response Week. #MoveOver or slow down for emergency vehicles. It's the law. @dvrpc
- Flashing lights = #MoveOver @dvrpc
- When approaching an emergency, law enforcement, towing, or utility vehicle, #MoveOver @dvrpc
- When you see lights, vests, or reflectors on the roadside, #MoveOverSlowDown #MoveOver @dvrpc











### Social Media Advertisement

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# Partner Agency





60 second Public Service Announcement which will air on Beasley Media Group radio stations in the Philadelphia, New Jersey & Delaware radio markets





30 minute public affairs program with Beasley Media Group and Lora Lewis



Working with Lamar Advertising for billboard campaign



# Partner Agency











Poster - versions for print and social media



# Working together makes us better prepared.

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