

## Current 2020 RTP Goals, Objectives & Strategies

### Goal 1 - Improve and Maintain Safety and Security

#### Objectives

i. Reduce the number and severity of vehicular crashes within the region across all modes.

#### Strategies

- \* Promote and identify projects that are designed to address high crash locations and prioritize their implementation.*
- \* Promote and encourage education outreach programs to drivers, pedestrians and bicyclists regarding rules and responsibilities.*
- \* Encourage community involvement with federal and state programs and education initiatives such as Safe Routes to School.*
- \* Seek to improve user awareness along all transportation networks through better identification, pavement markings and signage with an emphasis on bicycle and pedestrian routes.*
- \* Seek to expand the number and use of variable message signs along major roads such as Route 2 and I-190 to inform drivers of potential unsafe conditions and important alerts.*

ii. Improve access and mobility along identified emergency and evacuation routes in the Region.

#### Strategies

- \* Promote projects that address key identified emergency and evacuation routes in order to maintain effectiveness.*

### Goal 2 - Reduce Congestion and Improve Mobility

#### Objectives

i. Monitor and promote and identify projects that address congested roadways within the Region.

#### Strategies

- \* Support programs that efficiently address deficiencies across all modes including freight and rail locations.*

ii. Increase travel options within the region through the promotion of trails, Complete Streets, transit, land use and their interactions.

#### Strategies

- \* Encourage communities to address local mobility issues in order to promote mode shift options in congested areas.*

### **Goal 3 – Promote and Seek Equitable Transportation for All**

#### **Objectives**

i. Increase access to transit options through improved dissemination of available service information.

##### **Strategies**

- \* Improve outreach and partnerships between RTA's and social service agencies, schools, health centers, neighborhood organizations, etc.*
- \* Actively seek and identify organizations and agencies of Title VI and Environmental Justice populations and conduct direct outreach to encourage involvement and participation in the planning process.*

ii. Improve transit service operations for all trip destinations/ purposes and users.

##### **Strategies**

- \* Promote the development of improvements and options across all modes for areas that serve Title VI and Environmental Justice populations.*
- \* Monitor fee options in order to maintain equitability for all users.*

### **Goal 4 – Improve System Preservation and Maintenance for All Modes**

#### **Objectives**

i. Support and prioritize preservation projects in order to maintain a state of good repair for all modes.

##### **Strategies**

- \* Continue to monitor, and revise as needed, the Transportation Evaluation Criteria (TEC) to promote those projects that help to maintain a state of good repair.*
- \* Monitor overall conditions of infrastructure elements including pavement, sidewalks, drainage, stormwater, culverts, bridges and others in the region and support improvement efforts.*
- \* Encourage communities to maintain trails that provide transportation options throughout the year.*
- \* Support continued operation, maintenance, state of good repair and improvement of the transit system.*

ii. Encourage communities to seek funding and implementation of projects through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) process as well as other applicable federal and state programs.

##### **Strategies**

- \* Encourage additional funds for the maintenance and preservation of all aspects of the transportation network in the region.*

Goal 5 – Improve Economic Vitality
Objectives
<p>i. Promote the economic advantages of the region across all modes.</p> <p><b><u>Strategies</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* <i>Establish and prioritize major trail connections for commuter and recreational purposes throughout the region and beyond.</i></li> <li>* <i>Promote transit and commuter rail options.</i></li> <li>* <i>Improve railroad and other restricted bridges in order to enhance freight mobility.</i></li> <li>* <i>Improve freight and general vehicle access and connection to Route 2 and other major highways across the region.</i></li> <li>* <i>Improve access to job clusters and employment centers and economic development priority areas.</i></li> </ul>

Goal 6 – Improve and Promote Healthy Modes and Transportation Options
Objectives
<p>i. Expand travel options and modes across the region through improved connections and services.</p> <p><b><u>Strategies</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* <i>Improve and maintain infrastructure and bicycle/pedestrian facilities for transit centers and transit vehicles, as well as at other applicable public and commercial facilities/locations, to encourage commuter options and increased usage of healthy travel modes.</i></li> <li>* <i>Promote programs related to Complete Streets, Safe Routes to School (SRTS), trail development, sidewalks and ADA mobility improvements.</i></li> <li>* <i>Promote and encourage a shift from single occupant vehicles to transit, bicycle and pedestrian modes through improved transit, van/car pool and trail options.</i></li> <li>* <i>Promote and encourage small communities to examine and implement applicable programs such as ride share, sidewalk development and connections, etc. that would improve healthy travel options locally.</i></li> </ul>

## Goal 7 – Reduce Green House Gas and Promote Environmental Practices

### Objectives

i. Reduce Greenhouse Gas emissions through support and implementation

#### **Strategies**

- \* Prioritize vehicle replacement in the transit fleet with applicable and cost-effective alternative fuel vehicles.*
- \* Encourage communities to promote and support Green Streets and other state and federal initiatives through Low Impact (LID), Transit Oriented (TOD) and Smart Growth Developments.*
  
- \* Encourage and support the use of alternative fuel vehicles by the public with infrastructure support services.*
- \* Promote programs and projects that support the State Mode Shift Goals.*
- \* Promote stormwater drainage improvements in order to meet state and federal guidelines.*