

**PCC
SOLANO
PARATRANSIT COORDINATING COUNCIL (PCC)
AGENDA**

**1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 21, 2013
Solano Community College
4000 Suisun Valley Rd., Bldg. 800, Rm. 804
Fairfield, CA 94534**

ITEM

STAFF PERSON

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| <p>1. CALL TO ORDER</p> | <p>Alicia Roundtree</p> |
| <p>2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
(1:00 – 1:05 p.m.)</p> | |
| <p>3. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
(1:05 – 1:15 p.m.)</p> | |
| <p>4. COMMENTS FROM STAFF AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES
(1:15 – 1:20 p.m.)</p> | |
| <p>5. PRESENTATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Coordinated Transportation Plan Update for the San Francisco Bay Area</i> • <i>Draft Solano Mobility Management Plan</i> | <p>Jennifer Yeamans,
Metropolitan Transportation Commission</p> <p>Elizabeth Richards
Project Manager, STA Manager</p> |
| <p>6. CONSENT CALENDAR
<i>Recommendation: Approve the following consent item.</i>
(2:00 – 2:05 p.m.)</p> | |
| <p>A. Minutes of the PCC Meeting of January 17, 2013
<i>Recommendation: Approve PCC minutes of January 17, 2013.</i>
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PCC MEMBERS

Richard Burnett
MTC PAC
Representative

Rachel Ford
Solano County Health &
Social Services

Kyrre Helmersen
Transit User

Judy Nash
Public Agency - Education

Alicia Roundtree-Chair
Social Service
Provider

Edith Thomas
Social Service Provider

Shannon Nelson - Vice Chair
Member at Large

James Williams
Member at Large

Kurt Wellner
Transit User

7. ACTION ITEMS

A. Draft Solano Mobility Management Plan

Sofia Recalde

Recommendation:

1. *Recommend to the STA Board to release the Draft Solano Mobility Management Plan to the public for review and comments.*

(2:05 – 2:15 p.m.)

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B. Proposed PCC Meeting Locations

Sofia Recalde

Recommendation:

1. *Recommend STA staff to present the proposed PCC meeting location schedule to the PCC as part of the 2014 Outreach and Work Plan at the November meeting.*

(2:15 – 2:25 p.m.)

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C. Mobility Management Funding

Sofia Recalde

Recommendation:

1. *Authorize Paratransit Coordinating Council Chair to forward a letter of support to Caltrans in support of the Solano Transportation Authority funding applications for Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom for Solano Mobility Management programs.*

(2:25 – 2:35 p.m.)

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D. PCC Membership Status

Sofia Recalde

Informational

(2:35-2:40 p.m.)

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8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. PCA Versus Companion Policies

Sofia Recalde

Informational

(2:40-2:45 p.m.)

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9. INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NO DISCUSSION

A. 2013 PCC Meetings and Locations

Sheila Jones

Informational – No Discussion

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10. TRANSIT OPERATOR UPDATES

Group

- Dixon Rendi-Ride
- Fairfield and Suisun Transit
- Rio Vista Delta Breeze
- SolTrans
- Vacaville City Coach

(2:45-2:55 p.m.)

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Group

Discussion

(2:55-3:00 p.m.)

12. ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the PCC is scheduled to meet at **1:00 p.m., Thursday, May 16, 2013, at Benicia City Hall in the Commission Room located at 250 East L Street, Benicia, CA 94510.**

For questions regarding this agenda:

Please contact Liz Niedziela at (707) 424-6075 or eniedziela@sta-snci.com

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PCC
SOLANO PARATRANSIT COORDINATING COUNCIL
AGENDA

Draft Minutes for the meeting of
January 17, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

PCC Chair Alicia Roundtree, called the meeting to order at 1:09 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Suisun City Hall.

Voting Members Present: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name*

Richard Burnett	MTC PAC Representative
Rachel Ford	Solano County Health and Social Services
Kyrre Helmersen	Transit User
Alicia Roundtree	Chair, Social Service Provider
Edith Thomas	Social Service Provider (left the meeting at 2:00 p.m.)
James Williams	Member at Large

Voting Members Not Present: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name*

Judy Nash	Public Agency – Education
Shannon Nelson	Vice-Chair, Member at Large
Kurt Wellner	Transit User

Also Present: *In Alphabetical Order by Last Name*

Angel Anderson	SolTrans
Sheila Jones	STA
Sorel Klein	STA
Johanne Lopez	Rio Vista Resident
Cindy Muckensturm	City of Dixon/Dixon Readi-Ride
Liz Niedziela	STA
Sofia Recalde	STA
Elizabeth Richards	Elizabeth Richards Consulting
Sam Shelton	STA
Elizabeth Stayner	MV Transit
Debbie Whitbeck	City of Fairfield/FAST

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

On a motion by Richard Burnett and a second by Rachel Ford, the PCC unanimously approved the January 17, 2013 Agenda.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Johanne Lopez, a Rio Vista resident announced that she was accepted to the Taxi Scrip Program which has become beneficial to her transit needs. She stated that it took her an hour to get to the meeting.

IV. COMMENTS FROM STAFF AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PARATRANSIT COORDINATING COUNCIL

Sam Shelton provided a brief summary of the One BayArea Grant (OBAG) priority project assessment components. He stated that the Technical Advisory Committee will meet in February to assess the projects and criteria. He noted that a funding strategy to include all funding resources related to selected projects will be circulated.

Liz Niedziela and Alicia Roundtree provided a memorial tribute to Shirley Stacy.

Liz Niedziela proposed on behalf of the Rio Vista Delta Breeze to consider adding a meeting location in Rio Vista and this action item to be listed on the next PCC agenda.

By consensus of the PCC Committee action on this item will be taken on March 21, 2013.

By consensus of the PCC Committee action on adding a meeting location in Dixon will also be taken on March 21, 2013.

V. PRESENTATIONS (2)

(1) Elizabeth Richards provided a presentation on the Solano Mobility Management Plan. She stated that the plan was introduced in September 2012. Since that time, STA Staff and the Innovative Paradigms consultants have gathered input from the STA Board and other committees on implementation of the four potential components of the program. She stated that all groups showed general support of the Countywide ADA Eligibility process and to also move forward with the travel training program. She announced that a draft report is in progress and will be distributed shortly. (Attachment A)

Sofia Recalde stated that STA Staff is currently working with the Transit Operators to finalize the elements of the (RFP) Request for Proposal for the ADA Eligibility process which will be sent out next week.

Johanne Lopez asked if an increase in the taxi scrip was in the near future.

Debbie Whitbeck responded that the price will remain the same until June 30, 2013 until further notice.

Edith Thomas commented that the Department of Mental Health and the North Bay Regional Center have been working together on a community effort to provide sensitivity training on how to work with people with physical and/or developmental disabilities on public transportation.

(2) Sorel Klein provided a presentation on Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI). He described the program and summarized the contents in the SNCI informational packet. He stated that SNCI's Mission is to reduce congestion and improve mobility by helping individuals in the area to find alternatives to driving. (Attachment B). He stated that the SNCI department responded to 3,000 information calls, 275 internet requests/inquiries and provided 40,000 brochures last year. He highlighted the Bike to Work Day and Solano Commute Challenge campaigns, farmers markets and other events. (Attachment B)

Alicia Roundtree asked for clarification on incentives for employers.

Sorel Klein responded that companies with 100 or more employees and 50 or more employees are given incentives for find alternate transportation to work. He noted that commuter tax benefits and subsidizing transit and vanpools are other incentives that are provided to employers.

James Williams asked if the SNCI (800) telephone number is automated or a live system and also asked about the average time response about the Emergency Ride Home program for rides.

Sorel Klein responded that a live person answers the phones and the average time for response for rides is within 30 minutes of the call.

Liz Niedziela added that by calling 511 you are transferred to Solano Napa Commuter Information. She announced that STA Staff has been riding the intercity routes to familiarize themselves in order to inform passengers more efficiently.

Edith Thomas recommended that TTY/California Relay be made available for the hard of hearing and verbal impediment users.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

On a motion by James Williams and second by Rachel Ford, the PCC approved Consent Calendar Item A, Minutes of the PCC Meeting of November 15, 2012.

VII. ACTION ITEMS

A. FTA Section 5310 Program Call for Projects and Sub-Committee Recommendation

Recommendation:

Appoint Edith Thomas, Richard Burnett, and Jim Williams to the FTA Section 5310 scoring sub-committee.

Sofia Recalde provided background on the FTA Section 5310 Program Call for Projects and Sub-Committee Recommendation. She stated that at the November PCC meeting Chair Roundtree appointed a sub-committee to score the 5310 applications the subcommittee includes James Williams, Richard Burnett and Edith Thomas.

Liz Niedziela stated that a quick workshop may be scheduled contingent to the number of applications that are submitted on March 11th to the STA and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC).

Kyrre Helmersen asked to be involved on the sub-committee to become familiar with the process.

On a motion by Rachel Ford and a second by James Williams, the PCC unanimously approved the recommendation w.

VIII. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

A. FTA Section 5316 & 5317 Programs Call for Projects

Sofia Recalde provided an overview of the FTA Section 5316 & 5317 Programs Call for Projects. She defined that 5316 is the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC). She stated that the purpose 5316 is to improve access to transportation services for welfare recipients and low-income individuals in order to improve access to employment activities and to transport residents of urbanized areas and non-urbanized areas to suburban employment opportunities. She stated that the estimated available funding is \$1.88 million for the JARC cycle. She outlined the program fact sheet with the committee.

She defined the 5317 as the New Freedom program. She stated that the purpose of the New Freedom Program is to provide additional tools to overcome existing barriers facing Americans with disabilities who seek integration into the work force and full participation in society. She stated that the estimated available funding for New Freedom is 1.33 million. She outlined the program fact sheet with the committee. She announced that grant applications for both programs are due to Caltrans on April 19, 2013.

B. Companion Pass Policy

Sofia Recalde provided an overview of the Companion Pass Policy. She stated that at the November meeting, a discussion emerged about companion pass policies for people who travel with passengers who are eligible for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) services. The PCC requested that STA Staff research the issue and present the findings at the next PCC meeting. Sofia stated that she is currently working with the transit operators to find out what their PCA and companion policies are. She will present the findings at the March PCC meeting.

Alicia Roundtree commented that the bus drivers attend the PCC meetings for public feedback and interaction purposes.

C. PCC Membership Status and Appointments

Sofia Recalde provided an update on the PCC membership status and appointments. The STA Board approved the PCC's recommendation to reappoint both Richard Burnett and James Williams on December 12, 2012 for three additional years. She concluded that currently, there are vacancies for one (1) Transit User and one (1) vacancy for a Social Service Provider.

D. Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) Transit Studies

Liz Niedziela provided an overview of the STA transit studies. She stated that STA has several transit studies that are a part of the STA Board's adopted Overall Work Plan for Fiscal Year 2012-13 and 2013-14. She noted that these plans and studies are intertwined with each other and will provide relevant information to the Alternative Fuel Study and the Public Private Partnerships (P3) at Transit Facilities Study. She announced that the Transit Sustainability study is scheduled to be finalized in February and presented to the STA Board in March.

Richard Burnett expressed the importance of filling transit gaps in route services between Fairfield and Rio Vista.

IX. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS (No Discussion)

A. 2013 PCC Meetings and Locations

X. TRANSIT OPERATOR UPDATES

Dixon Rendi-Ride: Cindy Muckensturm provided a summary of their midyear report. She reported that paratransit rides have declined due to decreased riders and the Taxi Scrip program but general ridership has increased by 500. She announced that paratransit rides are provided in two mini vans with built in ramps and 3 person rear seat benches for \$5 each way. The personal care assistants ride free. She stated that a 24 hours advance notice is required and the majority of the rides are scheduled to Davis. Otherwise they use the taxi scrip program.

Fairfield and Suisun Transit: Debbie Whitbeck announced that the new service changes have been working great. She noted that she will not have new service ridership numbers until end of January but will provide them to the PCC committee in March.

Rio Vista Delta Breeze: Liz Niedziela provided an overview of the monthly summary report for fiscal year 2012-13. She noted that in 5 months of service they had and total of 5,000 riders. She highlighted the new Volunteer Driver Program service that the City of Rio provides vehicles to volunteers to take Rio Vista residents where they need to go.

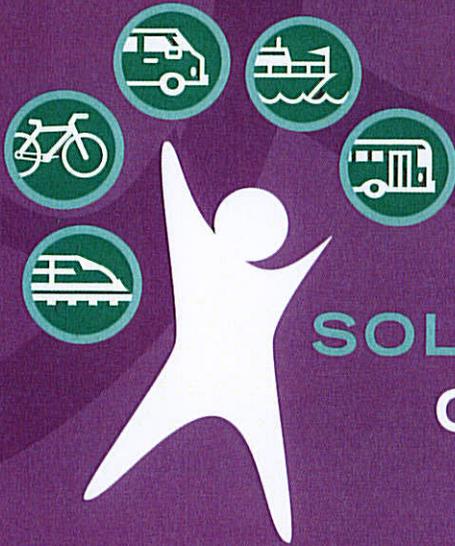
SolTrans: Angel Anderson announced that they are transitioning into a brand new recording system which will provide better ridership numbers once completed. She noted that the "\$10 off" monthly promotion wrapped up on December 28th and went well. She announced route 78 changes in February.

Vacaville City Coach: Not present.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m. The next meeting of the PCC is scheduled to meet at **1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 21, 2013 at the Solano Community College, Bldg. 800, Room 804 located at 4000 Suisun Valley Rd., Fairfield, CA 94534.**



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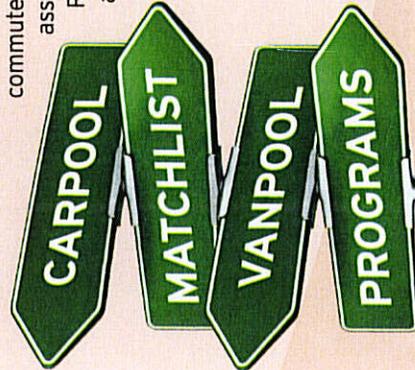
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At-A-Glance Guide to Transportation Agencies

NAPA COUNTY

American Canyon Transit
707-557-7557
nctpa.net

Calistoga HandyVan
707-963-4229
nctpa.net

Lake Transit
707-263-3334

St Helena VINE Shuttle
707-963-3007

VINE Transit
800-696-6443
nctpa.net

Yountville Shuttle
707-944-1234

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SolanoExpress
800-535-6883
solanoexpress.com

Dixon Read-i-Ride
707-678-5020

Fairfield & Suisun Transit
707-422-2877
fasttransit.org

Rio Vista Delta Breeze
707-374-2878
riovistacity.com/transit

San Francisco Bay Ferry
415-705-8291
sanfranciscobayferry.com

SolTrans
707-648-4666
soltransride.com

Vacaville City Coach
707-449-6000
citycoach.com

OTHER AGENCIES

Bay Area Transportation
(Toll Free) 511
511.org

AC Transit
510-891-5401
actransit.org

Capitol Corridor
877-974-3322
capitolcorridor.org

BART
510-236-2278
bart.gov

Contra Costa County Connection
925-676-7500
cccta.org

Golden Gate Transit
415-455-2000
goldengate.org

Greyhound
800-231-2222
greyhound.com

Sacramento RT
916-321-2877
sacrt.com

Unitrans (Davis)
530-752-2877
unitrans.com

Yolobus
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-Brenda B., Resident

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DIXON: Market Lane at Pitt School Rd.

Jefferson St. & B St. (Downtown)

FAIRFIELD: Green Valley Rd. at I-80

FTC, 2000 Cadenasso near W. Texas

Redtop Rd. at I-80

NAPA: Highway 29 & Imola Ave./Golden Gate Dr.

Redwood Rd. at Trancas & Hwy 29

RIO VISTA: Main St. at Front St.

SUISUN CITY: Main St. at Highway 12

VACAVILLE: Davis St. at I-80

Peabody Rd. & I-80 at Cliffside Dr.

Leisure Town Rd. at Orange Dr.

Bella Vista & Davis St.

VTC, Allison Dr. at Ulafis near I-80

VALLEJO: Benicia Rd. at I-80

Magazine St. at I-80

Curtola Pkwy. at Lemon St.

YOUNTVILLE: Solano Av. at California Dr.

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Now you can use easy, alternative ways to commute—and feel secure that you'll have a ride home in case of an emergency or other unexpected event. Solano County Emergency Ride Home is a free service from Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI), providing vouchers for taxis or rental cars.

WE WILL PROVIDE A FREE EMERGENCY RIDE HOME IF:

- You have used alternative transportation to get to work on the day you use an Emergency Ride Home voucher: carpool, vanpool, train, ferry, bus, walk or bicycle (motorcycles are not considered an alternative mode); and
 - You or an immediate family member suffers an illness or severe crisis that requires your immediate attention; or
 - After the start of your shift or workday, your employer requests that you work unscheduled overtime (supervisor authorization is required); or
 - Your ridesharing vehicle breaks down or the driver has to unexpectedly stay late or leave early.
- You may make emergency-related stops on your way home.



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All employers with work locations in Solano County are eligible. Employers simply:

- ① Submit an employer registration form, available by calling **800-535-6883** or on **commutinfo.net**
- ② Appoint a contact person to help answer questions and distribute information and promote the program in the workplace, keep "instant enrollment forms" on hand and assist with an annual program evaluation.

EMPLOYEES

Employees who work in Solano County and live within 100 miles of the worksite may use the service. Employees simply:

- ① Verify that your employer has registered with the program or ask us to contact your employer by calling **800-535-6883**.
- ② Complete and submit the employee registration form and liability waiver (available at **commutinfo.net** or call us for a registration form at **800-535-6883**). We will then mail you a voucher that you can use for an emergency ride home.
- ③ Abide by all program rules and restrictions.

SNCI will provide ride vouchers and a list of approved taxi and rental car companies.

How It Works

When you enroll in the program, you will be issued a voucher good for a free ride home in a taxi or for a rental car. The program pays for your trip, including a 10% tip for the taxi driver or up to one tank of gasoline for a rental car.

You call the transportation provider directly to arrange for a ride. Because it is often more cost-effective to use a rental car, we request as many people as possible to use one. Use the following criteria to decide whether to use a taxi or a rental car:

TAKE A TAXI

If your trip is less than 30 miles or you do not meet the requirements below.

TAKE A RENTAL CAR

If all of the following apply:

- Your trip distance (from work to home) is more than 30 miles.
- You need a ride for reasons other than personal illness or crisis.
- You are 21 years or older, able to drive, feel comfortable driving and have a valid California drivers license.
- You are requesting a ride during normal car rental business hours, usually Mon-Fri 8 am-7 pm, Sat 9 am-12 pm.
- You will be able to meet the vehicle return requirements (within 24 hours, including weekends and holidays)

Give the white and yellow copies of the voucher to the service provider. After your ride, fill out the follow-up questionnaire. Return the pink copy of the voucher and completed questionnaire by mail or fax to SNCI within seven days. After we receive your completed voucher and questionnaire, we will send you a new emergency ride voucher in the mail.

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THE SNCI EMERGENCY RIDE HOME PROGRAM:

- Is free to all employers and employees working in Solano County.
- Motivates you to leave your car at home by guaranteeing that you won't be stranded in any emergency.
- Provides an extra incentive if you already use alternative transportation to continue doing so.

For Those Unexpected Emergencies

EMERGENCY RIDE HOME VOUCHERS MAY NOT BE USED FOR:

- Personal errands
- Pre-planned medical appointments
- Transit service disruptions or delays
- Weather emergencies or early dismissals from work
- Regional disasters (either natural or man-made)
- An ambulance service
- Business-related travel
- Anticipated overtime or working overtime without a supervisor's request
- Non-emergency-related stops on the way home

Services

TAXI

Call the taxi company listed on the instructions enclosed with your voucher. Notify the dispatcher that this is an Emergency Ride Home call. The taxi can usually pick you up within 30 minutes of calling and is authorized to go up to 100 miles. Fill out your portion of the voucher and give it to the driver when the taxi arrives. Retain the pink copy of the voucher to send in.

RENTAL CAR

Call the car rental company listed in the instructions enclosed with your voucher. To use a rental car, you must present a valid California driver's license, be 21 years old, and sign a rental agreement. Insurance is included. A rental car employee will pick you up at your workplace and drive you to the rental car office to pick up the rental vehicle. You must return the vehicle to the rental car office within 24 hours (weekends and holidays included). You will be provided with a ride to your worksite after returning the rental vehicle. The rental car company may allow you to return the vehicle to an alternate office location. Charges beyond one day will be your responsibility and must be arranged with the rental car company on a separate contract. Upgrades are not allowed. Fill out your portion of the voucher and give it to the agent. Retain the pink copy of the voucher to send in.

Restrictions

You may use the Emergency Ride Home Program a maximum of six (6) times per calendar year and no more than three (3) times in any one calendar month. Vouchers are non-transferable. You may NOT give your assigned voucher to another person. Vouchers do not expire and do not require annual renewal, as long as you remain eligible for the program. After taking a ride, you must return the pink copy of the voucher and the follow-up questionnaire to the Emergency Ride Home Program in order to receive your next voucher and to remain in the program. If an employee is found falsifying information related to the reason for using the Emergency Ride Home Program, the commute mode taken on the day of the program's use, or otherwise abusing the program, the employee will be charged for the ride and will be prohibited from using the program for one year. Employers of employees with multiple violations may be notified of any instances of program abuse. If you have any questions about the program or would like to order program brochures or registration forms, please contact us at 1-800-535-6883 or commuterinfo.net.

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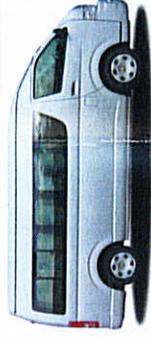
If you don't have a vanpool arranged, call us at **800-535-6883** for free assistance. A knowledgeable Commute Consultant will help you find passengers and direct you to cost-effective van lease and/or purchase options and insurance information. Then, all commute costs are shared among Vanpool riders.

Receive up to \$300 in free gas cards to use however you like!

Here's how to start receiving your rewards:

- 1 Complete the New Vanpool Driver application and release form online at commuterinfo.net or call **800-535-6883**. If you need passengers, we'll help find them through our confidential ridematching database.
- 2 Let us know when you are ready to hit the road. We'll meet you on your first day with a \$100 gas card, a gift for your whole vanpool, and two incentive vouchers.
- 3 After one month, submit one voucher to receive another \$100 gas card.
- 4 After the second month, submit your final voucher to receive one more \$100 gas card!
- 5 If you still need passengers, we'll supply a new list of potential passengers as often as you need.

SNCI can also help subsidize a new vanpool if all the seats aren't filled when you start. Incentives are also available for vanpool back-up drivers.



Vanpooling is a terrific way to commute: reliable, relaxing and economical.

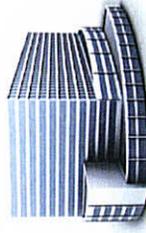
START A NEW VANPOOL AND START ENJOYING THE BENEFITS!

Like most of us, you have to go to work for a living—but you have options for how to get there. Why not jump into the driver's seat of a new vanpool? Solano Commuter Information (SNCI) can help you and reward you!

Vanpools save both time and money. Many vanpoolers cut their commute time in half. And most vanpool drivers commute for free—with an average commute of 60 miles roundtrip, that's \$3,000 a year or more! If you're ready to take charge, SNCI can help you every step of the way:

- **Recruiting** passengers (6-14, depending on van size) and back-up drivers
- **Coordinating** the vanpool and pick-up points
- **Leasing** a van, if you need one, with a preferred vendor
- **Discounted** parking permits for downtown Oakland and San Francisco
- **Free bridge** toll passes for non-peak hours (vanpools cross free during peak hours)

Whether you are already in a vanpool, or thinking about joining one—why not take charge and jump in the driver's seat!





Start Collecting Your Rewards.

START-UP SUBSIDY

If you start a vanpool with at least 70% passenger occupancy, you may be eligible to receive a "start-up" incentive for up to 4 months, while you are recruiting new passengers.

- ➊ Complete the Application form and passenger list online at commuterinfo.net, or call **800-535-6883**. Document the start date of your vanpool and include total passenger capacity that your vanpool will hold.
- ➋ Note how many passengers you currently have and provide their names and daytime phone numbers on the passenger list. (If not provided, your application will not qualify for the incentive program.)
- ➌ We will notify you if you qualify. For the first month's incentive, you will be sent a gas card subsidy worth \$100 per empty passenger seat, a match list to pursue securing passengers, and three incentive vouchers for future use.
- ➍ Over the next three months, if your vanpool is still not full, complete one incentive voucher each month, and mail to SNCI.

Your information will be reviewed and if you still qualify, gas cards will be sent out as follows:

- ➔ **SECOND MONTH**
\$75 gas card subsidy per empty seat
- ➔ **THIRD MONTH**
\$50 gas card subsidy per empty seat
- ➔ **FOURTH MONTH**
\$25 gas card subsidy per empty seat

Along with each gas card incentive award, you will also receive an updated match list to continue pursuing new passengers.

BECOME A NEW VANPOOL BACK-UP DRIVER AND START COLLECTING YOUR REWARDS

When you have found a vanpool and you are ready to be a back-up driver, follow these simple steps to collect your incentive:

- ➊ Complete the New Vanpool Back-Up Driver application online at commuterinfo.net and return it to SNCI, or call **800-538-6883**. We will check your driving record and you will be entered in our database.
- ➋ You will receive two "free gas" incentive vouchers.
- ➌ After you have completed one month of back-up driving just five times during the month, you and your main driver complete and sign the first incentive voucher and send it to SNCI.
- ➍ We will send you a card worth \$50 of free gas.
- ➎ When your second month of back-up driving is complete, submit your second incentive voucher and receive your second \$50 gas card.

Back-up drivers make the minimal commitment of driving a few times a month and covering for your driver for vacations and illness.

AS A NEW BACK-UP DRIVER, YOU MAY RECEIVE \$100 IN FREE GAS CARDS. PLUS, BACK-UP DRIVERS OFTEN GET REDUCED FARES.

Solano Napa Commuter Information is a program of the Solano Transportation Authority in partnership with the Napa County Transportation and Planning Agency, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, and the Yolo Solano Air Quality District.

Vanpool Facts/ Benefits

A vanpool is a group of 7-15 commuters, including the driver.

Each passenger pays an average of \$130-\$180 per month to cover vanpool costs. The longer you commute, the lower your cost per mile.

You can enjoy reading, working or, yes, sleeping through your commute.

➔ SAVE TIME

Many vanpoolers cut their commute time in half!

➔ SAVE MONEY

An average commuter who travels 60 miles roundtrip alone and switches to vanpooling can save \$3,000 a year and more!

➔ SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT

A 50 mile roundtrip commute in a 12-passenger van takes 11 cars off the road and eliminates the emission of over 35 pounds of pollutants into the air each day.

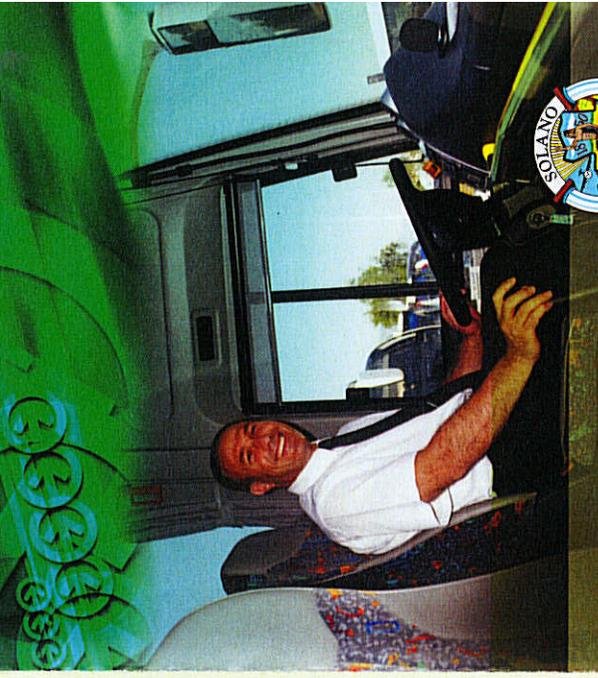
If you are not yet in a vanpool, call Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI) at **800-538-6883**. A knowledgeable Commute Consultant will help you find a vanpool going your way.

"Thanks so much. I appreciate all you've done for us to make our commute easier."

-Emily G., Vanpool Driver, State Fund



SENIORS & PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES



NON-PROFIT TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS

Non-profit transportation services are available which can provide transportation for seniors and people with disabilities at no or reduced cost.

Area Agency on Aging Senior

Escort Program (707) 643-1798

Provides transportation for low income Vallejo residents age 60+. Donations are accepted.

Fairfield Senior Volunteer Driver

Program (707) 428-7556

Provides transportation for ambulatory seniors by small van to senior centers, doctor/dentist appointments and pharmacies in specific areas of Fairfield. Reservations required.

Faith in Action/Ride With Pride

(707) 469-6667

Provides free rides, door-to-door for seniors to appointments and events throughout Solano County. First come, first served. Donations are accepted.

American Cancer Society

(707) 425-5006

Provides transportation for ambulatory Solano County cancer patients. Call (800) 227-2345 a minimum of 72 hours in advance (required).

CAPITOL CORRIDOR

(877) 974-3322

The Capitol Corridor train service stops in Suisun City seven days a week. Trains operate between Sacramento, Oakland and San Jose with multiple stops. Trains and stations are ADA accessible. Visit www.capitolcorridor.org for details.

GREYHOUND BUS LINES

(800) 231-2222

(Spanish) (800) 531-5332
Operates between Vallejo, Suisun City and Vacaville, and throughout the United States.

PRIVATE TRANSPORTATION

Private transportation providers are privately owned businesses, providing transportation services for a fee. These service providers are not publicly subsidized. The information listed below is provided for informational purposes only and does not constitute an endorsement of these private businesses.

Americare Alliance (707) 447-7734

AA Medical Transportation (707) 552-1193

Garcia's Transportation (707) 689-6609

Med X Press (707) 771-0354

Murphy Medical Transport (707) 580-1429

Northbay Transit Group (707) 644-5555

Stan's Chaperone Service (707) 761-4430

Sully's Non-Emergency Transport (707) 290-6349

INTER-COUNTY SERVICES

SolanoExpress connects Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Francisco and Yolo counties.

Napa VINE connects Vallejo to the Napa Valley.

YoloBus connects Vacaville, Winters and Davis.

VINE (800) 696-6443

Yolo Bus (530) 666-2877

SolanoExpress (800) 535-6883

BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit) (510) 465-2278

Serves Contra Costa, Alameda, San Francisco and San Mateo counties.

Several SolanoExpress buses connect Solano

to BART stations – from Fairfield and Vallejo

to El Cerrito del Norte station; from Vacaville/

Fairfield/Benicia to Pleasant Hill and Walnut Creek

stations; from Vallejo/Benicia to Pleasant Hill and

Walnut Creek stations. To learn more about how

BART makes it easier for seniors and people

with disabilities to use BART, visit www.BART.gov.



800-53-KMUTE
(800-535-6883)

www.commuterinfo.net

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Transportation in Solano County



This guide has been designed as a comprehensive resource of the many transportation programs and coordinated services offered in Solano County for seniors and people with disabilities.



You can reach SNCI by calling 800-53-KMUTE (800-535-6883) or by visiting www.commuterinfo.net



FIXED-ROUTE TRANSIT

For individuals who can walk to a bus stop, board and exit a bus with or without a mobility device, fixed-route transit offers a low cost transportation alternative. All buses have lifts for wheelchairs.

Operating Hours, Fares, Special Programs and Promotions

Special programs and promotions for seniors and people with disabilities are available such as discounted fares, passes and other fixed route transit offers. For more information within your community contact your local transit agency:

Benicia Breeze	(707) 745-0815
Dixon Read-Ride	(707) 678-5020
Fairfield & Suisun Transit	(707) 422-2877
Rio Vista Delta Breeze	(707) 374-2878
SolanoExpress	(800) 535-6883
Vacaville City Coach	(707) 449-6000
Vallejo Transit	(707) 648-4666
Vallejo Baylink Ferry (Service to San Francisco)	(707) 643-3779

Dispatchers are available to help you plan your trip, provide guidance on which bus route would get you to your destination quickest and where you can find the bus stop closest to your location.

PARATRANSIT SERVICE

Paratransit is an origin-to-destination transportation service for people with disabilities as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

Eligibility, Obtaining Applications, Fares and Requesting a Trip

Eligibility for origin-to-destination paratransit service is simple. A short application must be completed.

The questions are designed to help understand the applicant's ability to use accessible fixed route transit.

Once your application has been reviewed and eligibility is determined, you will receive an ADA Paratransit card and a Paratransit Riders Guide which explains paratransit service guidelines.

Paratransit service is available within your community as well as between the cities of Solano County.

Contact your local transit agency (phone numbers to the left) to obtain an application and information on fares and to request a trip.

If you live in rural areas of Solano County please call (707) 784-6765.

REDUCED-FARE TAXI

If you are a senior or ADA qualified individual able to enter and exit a taxi cab without assistance, the reduced fare or taxi scrip program may be the right fit for you. This program provides the rider with a deeply discounted taxi ride.

Eligibility and Purchasing Taxi Tickets

Eligibility is determined through the completion of a short application. Please call the transit agency in your city for more information. For locations to purchase reduced fare taxi tickets contact your local transit agency:

Benicia Breeze	(707) 746-4300
Dixon Read-Ride	(707) 678-5020
Fairfield & Suisun Transit	(707) 428-3298
Rio Vista Delta Breeze	(707) 374-2878
Vacaville City Coach	(707) 449-5170
Vallejo Transit	(707) 648-4315

Scheduling Your Taxi Ride

In Vacaville/Dixon	(707) 449-8294
In Fairfield/Suisun	(707) 428-4400
In Vallejo/Benicia	(707) 642-4421
In Rio Vista	(707) 374-6572
In Rural Areas of Solano Co.	(707) 644-5555

SolanoExpress Routes

SolanoExpress are designated transit services that provide regional connections between cities in Solano County and neighboring counties. For information on SolanoExpress services or other transit services that are available in Solano County call:

800-535-6883

For specific information on any of the routes shown on the fold-out map or inquiries about a local bus route or Dial-a-Ride, contact the transit agency that operates that service.

Benicia Breeze (707) 745-0815
www.ci.Benicia.ca.us/transit

Dixon Read-Ride (707) 678-5020
www.ci.Dixon.ca.us/rediride/RediRide.html

FAST (Fairfield and Suisun Transit)....(707) 422-BUSS
www.fasttransit.org

Rio Vista Delta Breeze (707) 374-2878
www.rio-vista-ca.com/transit

Vacaville City Coach (707) 449-6000
www.cityofvacaville.com/departments/citycoach

Vallejo Transit (707) 648-4666
www.vallejoexpress.com

Vine Transit 800-696-6443
www.nctpa.net/vine.cfm

Unitrans(530) 752-BUSS
www.unitrans.ucdavis.edu

Yolobus(530) 666-BUSS
www.yolobus.com

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SolanoExpress Intercity Transit Consortium

- Benicia Breeze
- Dixon Read-Ride
- Fairfield and Suisun Transit
- Rio Vista Delta Breeze
- Vacaville City Coach
- Vallejo Transit

Solano Napa Commuter Information (SNCI)
 Solano Transportation Authority (STA)

Find us on the Web at
www.solanoexpress.com



SolanoExpress is a coalition of transit operators in greater Solano County, working together to be your intercity transit source. SolanoExpress coordinates the region's public transportation options and provides commuters and other riders with the most efficient, personalized intercity transit itinerary.

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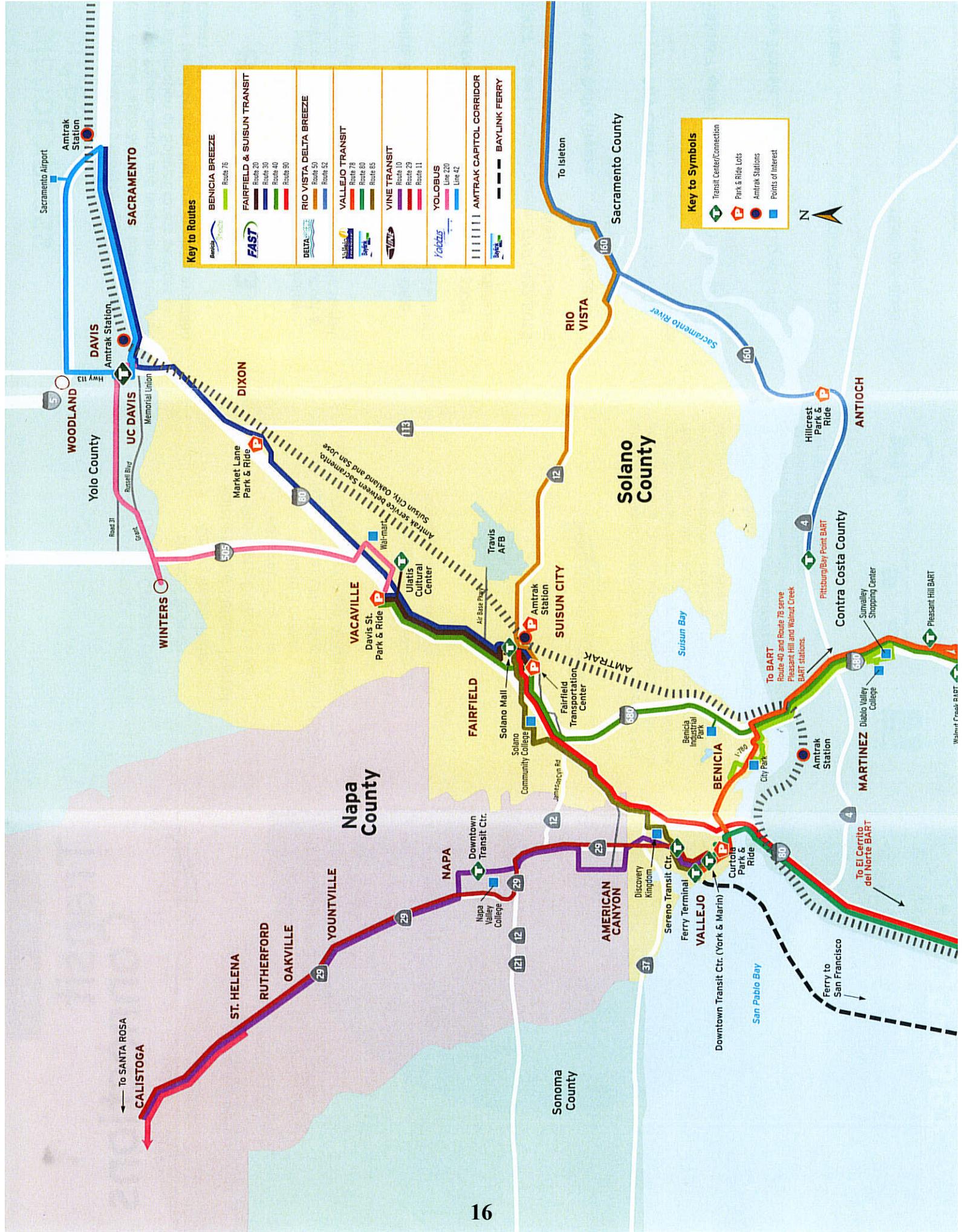
- Benicia
- Dixon
- Fairfield
- Napa
- Rio Vista
- Solano County
- Suisun City
- Vacaville
- Vallejo

CONNECTIONS TO

- Davis
- El Cerrito del Norte BART
- Pleasant Hill BART
- Sacramento
- San Francisco
- Walnut Creek BART
- Winters

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Key to Routes

	BENICIA BREEZE	Route 76
	FAIRFIELD & SUISUN TRANSIT	Routes 20, 30, 40, 90
	RIO VISTA DELTA BREEZE	Routes 50, 52
	VALLEJO TRANSIT	Routes 78, 80, 85
	VINE TRANSIT	Routes 10, 29, 11
	YOLOBUS	Line 220, Line 42
	AMTRAK CAPITOL CORRIDOR	
	BAYLINK FERRY	

Key to Symbols

	Transit Center/Connection
	Park & Ride Lots
	Amtrak Stations
	Points of Interest

PCC

DATE: March 14, 2013
TO: Solano Paratransit Coordinating Council
FROM: Sofia Recalde, Transit Mobility Coordinator
RE: Draft Mobility Management Plan

Background:

Since July 2012, STA has been working with consultants to develop a Mobility Management Plan for Solano County. The development of a Mobility Management Plan was identified in the 2011 Solano Transportation Study for Seniors and People with Disabilities as a strategy to assist seniors, people with disabilities, and low-income and transit dependent individuals with their transportation needs. The Solano Mobility Management Plan will identify existing services and programs, explore potential partnerships, and analyze how to address mobility needs in Solano County in a cost effective manner.

The Solano Mobility Management Plan will address four key elements to assist seniors, people with disabilities, and low income and transit dependent individuals with their transportation needs. These four elements are:

- One Stop Transportation Call Center
- Travel Training
- Countywide In-Person ADA Eligibility and Certification Process
- Older Driver Safety Information.

All of these strategies were included in the scope of work for the Solano Mobility Management Program and were identified as priorities in the Senior and People with Disabilities Study. These four elements have been presented to the Solano Seniors and People with Disabilities Transportation Advisory Committee, the Paratransit Coordinating Council (PCC), the Intercity Transit Consortium, the STA Board and the Senior Coalition.

Discussion:

The Mobility Management Plan was presented and discussed twice at each of the committees. The purpose of the initial presentation was to present an overview of the study and its elements as well as to solicit comments. The purpose of the second presentation was to present the four elements in more detail. At each of the meetings, there was opportunity for discussion. The committees' input was incorporated into the Plan.

The STA distributed the Draft Mobility Management Plan to the transit operators at the February Consortium meeting for comments and to both the Solano Seniors and People with Disabilities Transportation Advisory Committee and the PCC in March for review and comment.

Recommendation:

Recommend to the STA Board to release the Draft Solano Mobility Management Plan to the public for review and comments.

PCC

DATE: March 14, 2013
TO: Solano Paratransit Coordinating Council
FROM: Sofia Recalde, Transit Mobility Coordinator
RE: Proposed PCC Meeting Locations

Background:

In prior discussions about PCC meeting locations, it was proposed to schedule a meeting in Rio Vista. The PCC noted that it was difficult for some committee members and attendees to travel to Rio Vista. STA staff has worked with Rio Vista to provide fliers on Rio Vista Delta Breeze buses to promote the PCC meetings and to promote free transportation (provided by Delta Breeze) for Rio Vista residents to the Suisun City meeting.

At the January meeting, the STA initiated a conversation about including Rio Vista as a potential meeting location. Several PCC members stated that Rio Vista is a city in the county and, thus, should be included as a potential meeting location for PCC meetings. The same was said for the City of Dixon. A request was made to put this topic on the agenda as an action item.

Discussion:

The current 2013 PCC calendar rotates the PCC meeting location on a 12 month cycle for six meeting locations. The current locations are: Suisun City (Jan), Solano Community College (Mar), Benicia (May), Fairfield (Jul), Vacaville (Sep), and Vallejo (Nov). The inclusion of Dixon and Rio Vista to the rotating schedule would require extending the calendar to an 18 month cycle to accommodate the two additional cities.

Attachment A presents a tentative PCC meeting location calendar that will include Dixon and Rio Vista starting in 2014. Since the PCC has previously recommended hosting a PCC meeting at Solano Community College, the March PCC meetings will continue to be held at Solano Community College.

Recommendation:

Recommend STA staff to present the proposed PCC meeting location schedule to the PCC as part of the 2014 Outreach and Work Plan at the November meeting.

Attachment:

- A. Tentative PCC Meeting Location Schedule including Rio Vista and Dixon

Tentative PCC Meeting calendar

	2013	2014	2015	2016
Jan	Suisun City	Dixon	Vacaville	Rio Vista
Mar	SCC	SCC	SCC	SCC
May	Benicia	Suisun City	Vallejo	Fairfield
Jul	Fairfield	Benicia	Dixon	Vacaville
Sep	Vacaville	Rio Vista	Suisun City	Vallejo
Nov	Vallejo	Fairfield	Benicia	Dixon

PCC

DATE: March 14, 2013
TO: Solano Paratransit Coordinating Council
FROM: Sofia Recalde, Transit Mobility Coordinator
RE: Mobility Management Funding

Background:

Since July 2012, STA has been working with consultants to develop a Mobility Management Plan for Solano County. The Draft Solano Mobility Management Plan will address four key elements to assist seniors, people with disabilities, and low income and transit dependent individuals with their transportation needs. These four elements are:

- One Stop Transportation Call Center
- Travel Training
- Countywide In-Person ADA Eligibility and Certification Process
- Older Driver Safety Information

The STA Board has taken action to support the development of the Solano Mobility Management Plan. In addition, the PCC and the Solano Seniors and People with Disabilities Transportation Advisory Committee have been supportive and involved in the process.

In March 2012, the PCC authorized the Committee Chair to submit a Letter of Support for the Solano Transportation Authority to pursue Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) grant funding for the Solano Mobility Management Program. STA staff submitted a JARC application and was awarded one year of funding.

Discussion:

In November 2012, Caltrans released a call for projects for Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom projects (Cycle 7) in the state's small urbanized areas (UAs) and rural areas. The purpose of JARC is to improve access to transportation services to employment-related activities for welfare recipients and eligible low-income individuals. The purpose for New Freedom is to provide additional tools to overcome existing barriers facing Americans with Disabilities seeking integration into the work force and full participation in society. Estimated available federal funding statewide is \$1.88 million for JARC and \$1.43 million for New Freedom. Toll Credits are available and Caltrans will apply them as local match so applicants will not be required to provide a local match source for the awarded projects. One of the eligible projects for both JARC and New Freedom include Mobility Management activities.

This (Cycle 7) will be the last cycle of JARC and New Freedom funding as it has been eliminated in the new transportation bill, MAP-21.

STA staff intends to submit applications for both JARC and New Freedom funds to support the implementation of the Mobility Management Plan and its programs.

Recommendation:

Authorize the PCC Chair to forward a letter of support to Caltrans in support of the Solano Transportation Authority funding applications for Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom for Solano Mobility Management programs.

PCC

DATE: March 14, 2013
TO: Solano Paratransit Coordinating Council
FROM: Sofia Recalde, Transit Mobility Coordinator
RE: PCC Membership Status

Background/Discussion:

The Solano Transportation Authority's (STA) Paratransit Coordination Council (PCC) By-Laws stipulate that there are eleven members on the PCC. Many of the positions are to be filled by specific types of organizations or transit riders. At the January meeting, there was one (1) vacancy for a Social Service provider and one (1) vacancy for a Transit User.

STA staff will continue to recruit for the two (2) vacancies. Input from the Committee is welcomed.

Judy Nash will have completed the three year term of service in April 2013. All members are required to be reappointed by the STA Board. There are no term limits for PCC members, and all members are encouraged to reapply for their position for another three years. At the time of writing this agenda item, staff was not able to contact Judy to confirm her decision on her committee membership. Pending Judy Nash's consent, STA staff is presenting this recommendation.

Recommendation:

Forward a recommendation to the STA Board to reappoint Judy Nash to the Paratransit Coordinating Council for an additional three year term.

Attachments:

- A. PCC Membership Status (March 2013)

Solano County
Paratransit Coordinating Council
Membership Status
March 2013

Member	Jurisdiction	Agency	Appointed	Term Expires
Alicia Roundtree	Social Service Provider	Independent Living Resource Center	October 2010	October 2013
Edith Thomas	Social Service Provider	Connections 4 Life	March 2012	March 2015
James Williams	Member at Large	Member at Large	December 2012	December 2015
Judy Nash	Public Agency - Education	Solano Community College	April 2010	April 2013
Kurt Wellner	Transit User	Transit User	September 2012	September 2015
Kyrre Helmersen	Transit User	Independent Living Resource Center	April 2012	April 2015
Rachel Ford	Public Agency/County of Solano	Solano County Mental Health	June 2010	June 2013
Richard Burnett	MTC PAC Representative	SolTrans PAC Representative	December 2012	December 2015
Shannon Nelson	Member at Large	ADA Coordinator for Vacaville	September 2010	September 2013
Vacant	Transit User			
Vacant	Social Service Provider			

PCC

DATE: March 14, 2013
TO: Solano Paratransit Coordinating Council
FROM: Sofia Recalde, Transit Mobility Coordinator
RE: PCA versus Companion Policies

Background:

At the November meeting, a discussion emerged about companion pass policies for people who travel with passengers who are eligible for Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) services. The PCC requested that STA staff research the issue and present the findings at the next PCC meeting. The following findings were presented to the PCC at the January 17, 2013 meeting:

Companion versus PCA: A companion is any friend or family member that is traveling with an ADA eligible person. A personal care attendant (PCA) is someone who is designated or employed specifically to help the eligible individual meet his or her personal needs. A companion is not the same as a PCA, unless the companion has been designated as a PCA.

Registering a PCA: Transit operators cannot require ADA eligible passengers to register a PCA. However, transit operators may require individuals to indicate whether or not he or she travels with a PCA as part of the initial eligibility process. Therefore, if an ADA eligible passenger does not indicate that he or she travels with a PCA, any individual traveling with him or her will be considered a companion.

PCAs and companions on paratransit: PCAs are not charged for riding paratransit. Companions are charged the same fare as the ADA eligible passenger for riding paratransit. Transit operators are required to permit one person to accompany the ADA eligible passenger. If the ADA eligible passenger is traveling with a PCA, the passenger may still bring one or more companions, on a space-available basis. Transit operators may require ADA eligible passengers to reserve a space for the PCA and/or companion(s) when reserving the trip.

PCAs and companions on fixed-route: Although some transit operators go beyond the minimum ADA requirements and allow PCAs and companions to travel for free or at a discounted fare, the ADA does not require it (Attachment A).

Discussion:

STA staff worked with Solano County transit operators to collect information about their PCA and companion fare policies. Attachment B shows each transit operator's policies on:

- Registering a PCA
- Whether or not a companion can act as a PCA
- PCA fares on fixed route service
- Companion fares on both fixed route and paratransit service.

Recommendation:

Informational.

Attachments:

- A. Solano County transit operator policies on companions and PCAs of ADA eligible passengers.
- B. Civil Rights Frequently Asked Questions from the Federal Transit Administration and accompanying ADA Regulations

Solano County Transit Operator PCA and Companion Policies

Do you require ADA eligible passengers to register a PCA if they have one?	
Dixon	No. The NEED for an attendant should be indicated on the ADA application.
FAST	No. Applicants check a box on their application stating that they travel with a PCA. However, even if they don't check the box and a PCA is needed, they can travel with one. Passenger should let dispatch know that they are travelling with PCA.
Rio Vista Delta Breeze	Yes, as part of the application process. If the PCA changes, they can advise the dispatcher.
SolTrans	Yes
Vacaville City Coach	No. The NEED for an attendant should be indicated on the ADA application.

What is your policy regarding a companion acting as a PCA?	
Dixon	Not applicable
FAST	Any person who is riding with an ADA certified passenger as their PCA rides free, even if passenger did not check the PCA box.
Rio Vista Delta Breeze	A companion that is registered as a PCA would have the benefit of riding free of charge on paratransit service.
SolTrans	A companion that is registered as a PCA would have the benefit of riding free of charge on paratransit service.
Vacaville City Coach	A companion that is registered as a PCA would have the benefit of riding free of charge on paratransit service.

What is the fare for a companion on paratransit?	
Dixon	Regular fare
FAST	Same fare as the ADA certified passenger
Rio Vista Delta Breeze	Regular fare
SolTrans	Same fare as the ADA certified passenger
Vacaville City Coach	Regular fare

What is the fare for a PCA on fixed route?	
Dixon	Not applicable because Dixon does not have fixed route service
FAST	Free
Rio Vista Delta Breeze	Free
SolTrans	Same fare as the senior or person with disability they are riding with, as long as the reduced fare passenger shows ID
Vacaville City Coach	Regular fare

What is the fare for a companion on fixed route?	
Dixon	Not applicable because Dixon does not have fixed route service
FAST	Same fare as ADA eligible passenger with whom they are traveling (half the regular fare)
Rio Vista Delta Breeze	Regular fare
SolTrans	Regular fare
Vacaville City Coach	Regular fare

FTA's Civil Rights FAQs:

<http://ftawebprod.fta.dot.gov/ContactUsTool/Public/FAQs.aspx?CategoryID=4>

Question: May a transit entity require a paratransit eligible individual who will be traveling with a personal care attendant (PCA) to register their use of a PCA with the transit entity?

Answer: Under Department of Transportation (DOT) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations at 49 C.F.R. Section 37.125(i), **a transit provider may require an individual to indicate whether he or she travels with a personal care attendant (PCA) as part of the initial eligibility process.** The transit entity is also permitted to make further inquiries regarding the individual's actual need for a PCA. When making any such inquiries, it is important to note an individual's need for a PCA may be unrelated to the trip itself, and that the passenger may not require the assistance of a PCA while onboard the vehicle. Because of the nature of typical PCA functions, it is most likely that the services provided by a PCA would be required throughout the day at the passenger's destination. **All that is required is that the passenger establish that he or she requires a PCA, and for the PCA and the passenger to be traveling together between the same points. If the rider does not indicate the use of a PCA, then any individual accompanying him or her will be regarded simply as a companion.**

Question: May personal care attendants (PCAs) ride for free on complementary paratransit and fixed route?

Answer: Under Department of Transportation (DOT) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations at 49 C.F.R. Section 37.131(c)(3), **a personal care attendant (PCA) may not be charged a fare for complementary paratransit service.** Under 49 C.F.R. Section 37.123(f)(1)(ii), a companion (i.e., friend or family member) does not count as a PCA unless the companion is actually acting in the capacity of PCA. PCAs may be charged a fare on fixed route. **While some transit systems go beyond the minimum requirements of the ADA and allow PCAs to ride for free, there is no requirement that they do so.**

Question: May a rider eligible for complementary paratransit be accompanied by more than one individual?

Answer: Under Department of Transportation (DOT) Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) regulations at 49 C.F.R. Section 37.123(f), **transit entities are required to permit one person to accompany the paratransit eligible individual. Additional persons accompanying the eligible individual are to be served on a space-available basis** to prevent displacement of other ADA paratransit eligible individuals. The transit provider may not limit who the companion may be; the companion may be a family member, friend, or business associate, etc. The transit authority may require that the eligible individual reserve a space for the companion when reserving his or her own ride. A personal care attendant (PCA), someone designated or employed to assist the eligible individual, may always ride with the eligible individual. The transit entity may require that the eligible individual reserve a space for the PCA when reserving the trip. If there is a PCA on the trip, the eligible individual may still bring a companion, as well as additional companions on a space-available basis. To be considered as “accompanying” the eligible individual, a companion must have the same origin and destination points as the eligible individual.

Code of Federal Regulations

Title 49 – Transportation.

Subtitle A - Office of the Secretary of Transportation.

PART 37 - TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
(ADA).

Subpart F—Paratransit as a Complement to Fixed Route Service

§ 37.123 ADA paratransit eligibility: Standards.

(f) Individuals accompanying an ADA paratransit eligible individual shall be provided service as follows:

(1) One other individual accompanying the ADA paratransit eligible individual shall be provided service—

(i) If the ADA paratransit eligible individual is traveling with a personal care attendant, the entity shall provide service to one other individual in addition to the attendant who is accompanying the eligible individual;

(ii) A family member or friend is regarded as a person accompanying the eligible individual, and not as a personal care attendant, unless the family member or friend registered is acting in the capacity of a personal care attendant;

(2) Additional individuals accompanying the ADA paratransit eligible individual shall be provided service, provided that space is available for them on the paratransit vehicle carrying the ADA paratransit eligible individual and that transportation of the additional individuals will not result in a denial of service to ADA paratransit eligible individuals;

(3) In order to be considered as “accompanying” the eligible individual for purposes of this paragraph (f), the other individual(s) shall have the same origin and destination as the eligible individual.

§ 37.125 ADA paratransit eligibility: Process.

(i) In applications for ADA paratransit eligibility, the entity may require the applicant to indicate whether or not he or she travels with a personal care attendant.

§ 37.131 Service criteria for complementary paratransit.

The following service criteria apply to complementary paratransit required by § 37.121 of this part.

(c) Fares. The fare for a trip charged to an ADA paratransit eligible user of the complementary paratransit service shall not exceed twice the fare that would be charged to an individual paying full fare (i.e., without regard to discounts) for a trip of similar length, at a similar time of day, on the entity's fixed route system.

(1) In calculating the full fare that would be paid by an individual using the fixed route system, the entity may include transfer and premium charges applicable to a trip of similar length, at a similar time of day, on the fixed route system.

(2) The fares for individuals accompanying ADA paratransit eligible individuals, who are provided service under § 37.123 (f) of this part, shall be the same as for the ADA paratransit eligible individuals they are accompanying.

(3) A personal care attendant shall not be charged for complementary paratransit service.

PCC

DATE: March 14, 2013
TO: Solano Paratransit Coordinating Council
FROM: Sheila Jones, Administrative Assistant
RE: 2013 PCC Meetings and Locations

A. 2013 PCC Meetings and Locations:

City of Benicia, Commission Room (Confirmed)

Thursday, May 16, 2013

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

250 East L St.

Benicia, CA 94510

(707) 746-4202

Fairfield Community Center, Vista Conference Room (Confirmed)

Thursday, July, 18, 2013

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

1000 Kentucky Street

Fairfield, CA 94533

(707) 428-7422

Ulati Community Center, Room D (Confirmed)

Thursday, September 19, 2013

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

1000 Ulati Dr.

Vacaville, CA 95687

(707) 469-4000

John F. Kennedy Library, Joseph Room (Confirmed)

Thursday, November 21, 2013

1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

505 Santa Clara St.

Vallejo, CA 94590

(866) 572-7587