



# Wheels-to-Wellness PRTC Commission Meeting November 7, 2019

## Program Recap

- Former Program Manager left in June 2018
- Program operating with existing OmniRide staff
- Establish baseline costs and impacts
- COG/PFH grant ended 6/30/19
- Program funded within budget footprint through December 2019



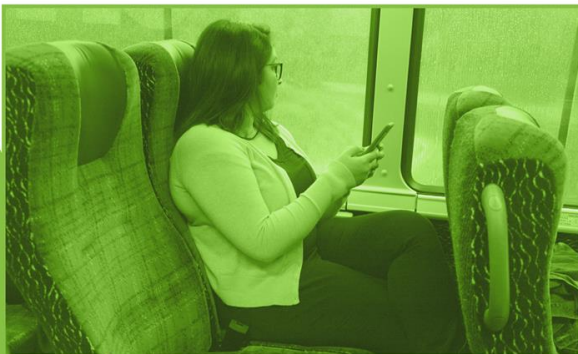
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## Hold Steady



- Average number of trips served per month remains steady at 1,000
- Average monthly cost remains steady at \$10,000
- 58 new participants since July 1st

## Program Options



## Program Shutdown

- Provide service through January 15<sup>th</sup>
- Participant notification (45 days)
- Service provider notification (30 days)



## Maintain Baseline

- \$75,000 mid-year budget revision funded through favorable variance
- No changes to program
- \$150,000 per year in FY21-26 budget



## Position of Strength

- Provides surety for program participants
- Better positions program to leverage grant funding opportunities
  - Budgeted source of any required local match
- Better positions program to form and leverage partnerships
- Removes constraints that come with some grant funding

## Enhanced Program

- Enhanced promotion
- Program eligibility changes (eligibility age reduction, etc.)
- Introduction of technology platform
  - Integration with paratransit service
  - Enable electronic payments
  - Integration with TNCs (feasibility study recommendations)
  - Estimated \$10,000 set-up, \$50,000 additional annual cost

## Reaching for Maturity

- Grows participation
  - Inclusion of new populations such as veterans
- Diversifies service providers potentially lowering per trip costs
- Potential to reduce paratransit demand
- Leverages funding opportunities designed for new technologies and services
- Better positions program to react to demographic changes

## Recommendation

- Fund baseline program through FY2026
- Pursue grant funding to
  - Reduce local cost
  - Introduce technology
  - Build partnerships
  - Expand program reach
- New elements added as funding and staff capacity allows



Thank you!

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