

AmeriCorps Accessible Transportation Options

In collaboration with the SILC and partner agencies, the AmeriCorps program identified, created and/or implemented new accessible transportation options with the help of the AmeriCorps members, their advisory committees and the agencies that hosted them

This is a list of those options.

IMPACT: All Treasure Valley Public Transit Consumers

Option 1 - Treasure Valley LINC: Secret Stopper Project

This option was created to allow transit riders with disabilities and others to provide feedback anonymously through an online survey to the regional transit authority regarding ADA compliance and other accessibility concerns.

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Living Independence Network Corporation, Boise; Valley Regional Transit*

Option 2 - Treasure Valley VRT: Travel Training

This project was created as an option to train individuals with disabilities how to access public transit for their everyday transit needs in order to overcome barriers in living independently.

IMPACT: All Treasure Valley individuals with disabilities in the Valley Ride Service Areas

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Valley Regional Transit*

IMPACT: All area transit riders including individuals with disabilities who have a need to access services along the Franklin Corridor in Caldwell.

Option 3 - Treasure Valley LINC: Franklin Corridor Route

This option was created to provide accessible transportation to vital services in the Caldwell area that were located along the Franklin Corridor.

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Living Independence Network Corporation, Caldwell; Valley Regional Transit*

Option 4 - Treasure Valley VRT: Volunteer Ride Reimbursement

This option was created to provide reimbursement for those volunteers providing accessible transportation to individuals with disabilities in a four county area, including but not limited to, Canyon County.

IMPACT: All transit riders including individuals with disabilities who have a need to access services in four rural counties of Idaho, including but not limited to Canyon County

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Living Independence Network Corporation, Caldwell; Valley Regional Transit*

IMPACT: All transit riders including individuals with disabilities who have a need to access services in the Treasure Valley.

Option 5 - Treasure Valley LINC - Accessible Taxi Service

This option was created to provide accessible taxi service to the Treasure Valley for individuals with disabilities who would like to have transportation to work, recreation and activities outside the normal operating hours of public transportation.

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Living Independence Network Corporation, Caldwell; Valley Regional Transit*

Option 6 - Moscow : Volunteer Drive Program

This option was created to provide reimbursement so that volunteer drivers could provide accessible transportation for individuals with disabilities in rural areas throughout a five county region.

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in a five county region who have a need to access services, work opportunities and recreational options

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Northwest Disability Action Center & COAST Transit*

IMPACT: All Residents within the Moscow community.

Option 7 - Moscow: Accessible Transportation Public Forum

This option was created to open discussion and engage the community in addressing and learning about accessible transportation.

STATUS: Completed

PARTNERS: *Northwest Disability Action Center & COAST Transit*

Option 8 - Moscow : Volunteer Driver Program Toolkit

This option was created as a tool to provide other counties/regions the ability to implement the highly successful Volunteer Driver Program in order to fill gaps in accessible transportation for their residents

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in any county or region. If that area has the resources and chooses to implement the Volunteer Driver Program to fill gaps in accessible transportation

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Northwest Disability Action Center & COAST Transit*

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in any county or region. If that area has the resources and chooses to implement the Volunteer Driver Program to fill gaps in accessible transportation

Option 9 - Coeur d'Alene: Sponsor a bench program

This option was created to increase accessible benches at necessary sites by encouraging private contributions from the community.

STATUS: Completed

PARTNERS: Northwest Disability Action Center (DAC) and Coast Transit

Option 10 - Twin Falls: Voucher Program Toolkit

This option was created as a tool to provide other counties/regions the ability to implement the highly successful Voucher Program in order to fill gaps in accessible transportation for their residents.

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in any county or region. If that region has the resources and chooses to implement the highly successful Voucher Program to fill gaps in accessible transportation.

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: Living Independence Network Corporation, Twin Falls

Option 11 - Twin Falls: Accessible vehicle

This option was created in order to increase the amount of wheel-chair accessible vehicles in Twin Falls and the surrounding areas to be utilized by individuals with disabilities. This vehicle is currently being accessed on a Monday through Friday basis by riders of the local public transit provider; Trans IV. It is also available to the LINC office for their consumers as needed for special events.

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in Twin Falls and the surrounding areas.

STATUS: Completed

PARTNER: Twin Falls LINC

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in Twin Falls and surrounding areas who have a need to attend to court matters

Option 12 - Twin Falls: Community Access Court Voucher Program

This option was created in order for individuals with disabilities to receive transportation assistance to court matters.

STATUS: Completed

PARTNER: Twin Falls LINC

Option 13 - Twin Falls: Rural extension Voucher Program

This option was created in order for identified individuals with disabilities to have transportation assistance beyond city limits to neighboring rural communities.

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in neighboring rural communities who have a need or desire to access services in the Twin Falls area.

STATUS: Completed

PARTNER: Twin Falls LINC

IMPACT: Individuals with disabilities in the Twin Falls area who choose to engage in recreational facilities.

Option 14 - Twin Falls: Community Access Voucher Program

This option was created in order for identified individuals with disabilities to have transportation assistance to gain access to recreational facilities

STATUS: Completed

PARTNER: *Twin Falls LINC*

IMPACT: All Individuals in Idaho Falls who use public transportation services.

Option 15 - Idaho Falls: Bus Stop Improvements

This option was created in order for individuals with disabilities in Idaho Falls to be able to identify the bus stop locations for accessible public transportation in Idaho Falls.

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Living Independent for Everyone, Targhee Regional Public Transportation Authority*

Option 16 - Idaho Falls: Accessible Bus Schedule

This option was created to assist transit riders with disabilities to be able to access information regarding routes and times of public transportation in Idaho Falls and assist TRPTA, the local transit provider, to become more ADA compliant.

IMPACT: All Individuals in the Idaho Falls area that access TRPTA's public transportation

STATUS: In progress

PARTNERS: *Living Independent for Everyone*

Option 17 - Idaho Falls: Demand Response for Domestic Violence Shelter

This project was created as an option to allow individuals with disabilities who have been impacted by domestic violence to independently access areas in Idaho Falls to regain their ability to live independently and safely.

IMPACT: Individuals impacted by domestic violence living at the shelter in Idaho Falls.

STATUS: In progress

Partner: *Living Independence for Everyone, Targhee Regional Public Transit Authority*

IMPACT: All Idahoans who use transportation.

Option 18 - Statewide: I-Way Service Provider Directory

This option was created to provide information to all Idahoans including those with disabilities about what transportation services are available to get them from point A to point B.

STATUS: In progress

PARTNER: *Community Transportation Association of Idaho*

Option 19 - Statewide: Accessible Transportation Marketing

This option was created to provide information and engage the community in finding a way to increase accessible transportation options.

STATUS: In progress

IMPACT: All Idahoans who are interested in learning what transportation options are available and finding a way to increase those options

PARTNER: *Community Transportation Association of Idaho*

Option 20 - Ada & Canyon County: Accessible Transportation Planning and Land use

This option is being created to examine current city plans in the Ada and Canyon areas for gaps in accessible transportation and provide a list of those accessible transportation gaps to the MPO of Ada and Canyon, COMPASS, so that they can provide information to cities on how to include accessible transportation planning in their city plans.

STATUS: In progress

IMPACT: Cities in the Ada and Canyon County areas along with their residents.

PARTNER: *Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho*