



## **Transportation Collaboration Wednesday, January 9th, 2019**

**Attending:** Lori Williams (Central Iowa RSVP), Deb Schildroth (Story County), Shari Atwood (CyRide/AAMPO), Brooke Ramsey (HIRTA), Julia Castillo (HIRTA)

### **Review October 10 Meeting Notes**

#### **Updates from CyRide**

The Board will meet on January 10<sup>th</sup> – CyRide staff are recommending five changes & one reduction. Changes include later evening trips and earlier morning trips (see attached). The Ames Area MPO sent out a survey as part of their Passenger Transportation Plan. The goal was to send the survey to all human service agencies. The Collaboration provided feedback on the survey that was going to be sent out.

#### **Updates from HIRTA**

Transportation Advisory Group - HIRTA is in the process of restructuring their Transportation Advisory Group (TAG) for Story County. Currently, HIRTA hosts independent TAGs in Jasper, Warren, Boone, & Marion Counties. In the past, HIRTA has used the Transportation Collaboration as their TAG in Story County in the past, but now they are trying to have more uniformity in the TAGs across their service area. They will need to offer representation to all cities with populations higher than 1,000 there also should be representatives from government, social services, and chamber/economic development. Questions were raised if the Transportation Collaboration should meet for longer to include Story County's TAG or if the meetings should remain separate but informed of one another's work. It was determined that since HIRTA serves more of the rural areas of Story County, not all of the people coming to HIRTA's TAG would need or want to participate in the Transportation Collaboration. It was recommended that HIRTA could host their Story County TAG before the Transportation Collaboration meets. The TAG would be HIRTA specific, while the Transportation Collaboration would remain more general to Story County transportation issues. With the TAG being held immediately prior to the Transportation Collaboration, updates can be passed more easily from the TAG to the Transportation Collaboration.

Demand Response Service Action Plan Progress Report / Strategic Plan - Brooke reviewed the remaining open items on the Demand Response Action Plan and compared them to the related goals and objectives in HIRTA's strategic plan (see attached). The highlighted items are not part of HIRTA's strategic plan. Given the inclusion of the remaining items in HIRTA's strategic plan, it was recommended that the Demand Response Action Plan be closed. HIRTA will draft a letter explaining the changes to the Demand Response Action Plan and send it out.

#### **Updates from Transportation Collaboration Members**

RSVP – No updates

Story County – The new Board of Supervisors was sworn in in January.

Ames Area MPO – The MPO has completed a transit zoning map that shows public transit coverage throughout the city.

#### **Group Discussion: What transportation barriers are most prevalent in the community?**

This discussion will be tabled until next meeting.

**2019 Meeting Dates** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 1:00-2:30 pm: April 10<sup>th</sup>, July 10<sup>th</sup>, October 9<sup>th</sup>