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The Ozarks Transportation Organization (OTO) would like to announce the availability of three (3) surveys related to the development of a revised *Transit Coordination Plan*. These surveys will help identify the transportation needs of seniors and those with disabilities, and identify how area transportation providers and human service agencies are serving these individuals. This data will be used to identify strategies for improving the transportation options for these populations. The surveys, along with additional project details, are available at www.ozarkstransportation.org/TCP.

The OTO seeks to involve all individuals and organizations with an interest in the transportation of seniors and individuals with disabilities. The three (3) *Transit Coordination Plan* surveys include:

- a survey on the transportation needs of seniors, individuals with disabilities, and those with limited incomes;
- a survey of area transportation providers; and
- a survey of area human service agencies.

The surveys are available at www.ozarkstransportation.org/TCP until **July 14, 2021**.

Information regarding these surveys will be distributed to a wide range of individuals and groups. Outreach will include Facebook ads, post cards, letters, emails, appearances on local radio shows, and a limited number of site visits. The OTO is also partnering with area transit providers and social service agencies to ensure broad participation.

Please contact Andy Thomason at athomason@ozarkstransportation.org or (417) 865-3047 x107 if you have any questions or wish to obtain a paper copy of the user survey. These three surveys will be open through **July 14, 2021**. Again, surveys and additional project information is available at www.ozarkstransportation.org/TCP.

Ozarks Transportation Organization is your Springfield-regional Metropolitan Planning Organization, or MPO. The MPO is a body of elected and appointed members who work together with local, state and

federal elected officials and policy-makers, serving to make funding and planning decisions for transportation within the Springfield, MO region.

Public input is a cornerstone of our operations. To tell us what you think, please email us at comment@ozarkstransportation.org. Find us on Facebook, or on Twitter @giveusyourinput. Or call, or stop by our office at 2208 W. Chesterfield Boulevard, Suite 101, in beautiful Chesterfield Village.

Si usted necesita la ayuda de un traductor del idioma español, por favor comuníquese con la Andy Thomason al teléfono 417-865-3042, cuando menos 48 horas antes del plazo.

Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Andy Thomason at 417-865-3042 at least 2 working days prior to the expiration of the public comment period.

If you need relay services please call the following numbers: 711 - Nationwide relay service; 1-800-735-2966 - Missouri TTY service; 1-800-735-0135 - Missouri voice carry-over service.

OTO fully complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. For more information or to obtain a Title VI Complaint Form, see www.ozarkstransportation.org, or call 417-865-3042.