

APPENDIX E



OUTREACH AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION



Access North Texas

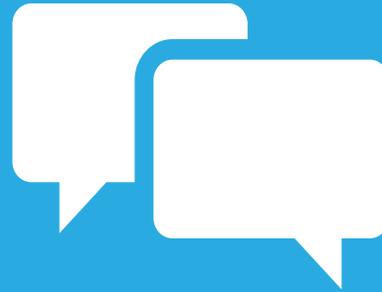
2022 Virtual Outreach Meetings

County	Meeting #1	Meeting #2	Meeting #3*	Total Attendees
Collin	June 9	June 10	June 12	6
Dallas	June 29	July 1	June 26	7
Denton	June 23	June 24	June 26	10
Ellis & Navarro	May 19	May 20	N/A	3
Hood & Somervell & Erath	June 16	June 17	N/A	5
Hunt	April 27	April 29	N/A	4
Johnson	May 5	May 6	N/A	10
Kaufman	July 14	July 15	N/A	5
Parker & Palo Pinto	May 26	May 27	N/A	2
Rockwall	May 12	May 13	N/A	5
Tarrant	July 7	July 8	July 10	5
Wise	June 2	June 3	N/A	3
Kickoff Meeting	April 19	N/A	N/A	19

*Additional Meeting Held in Largest Counties



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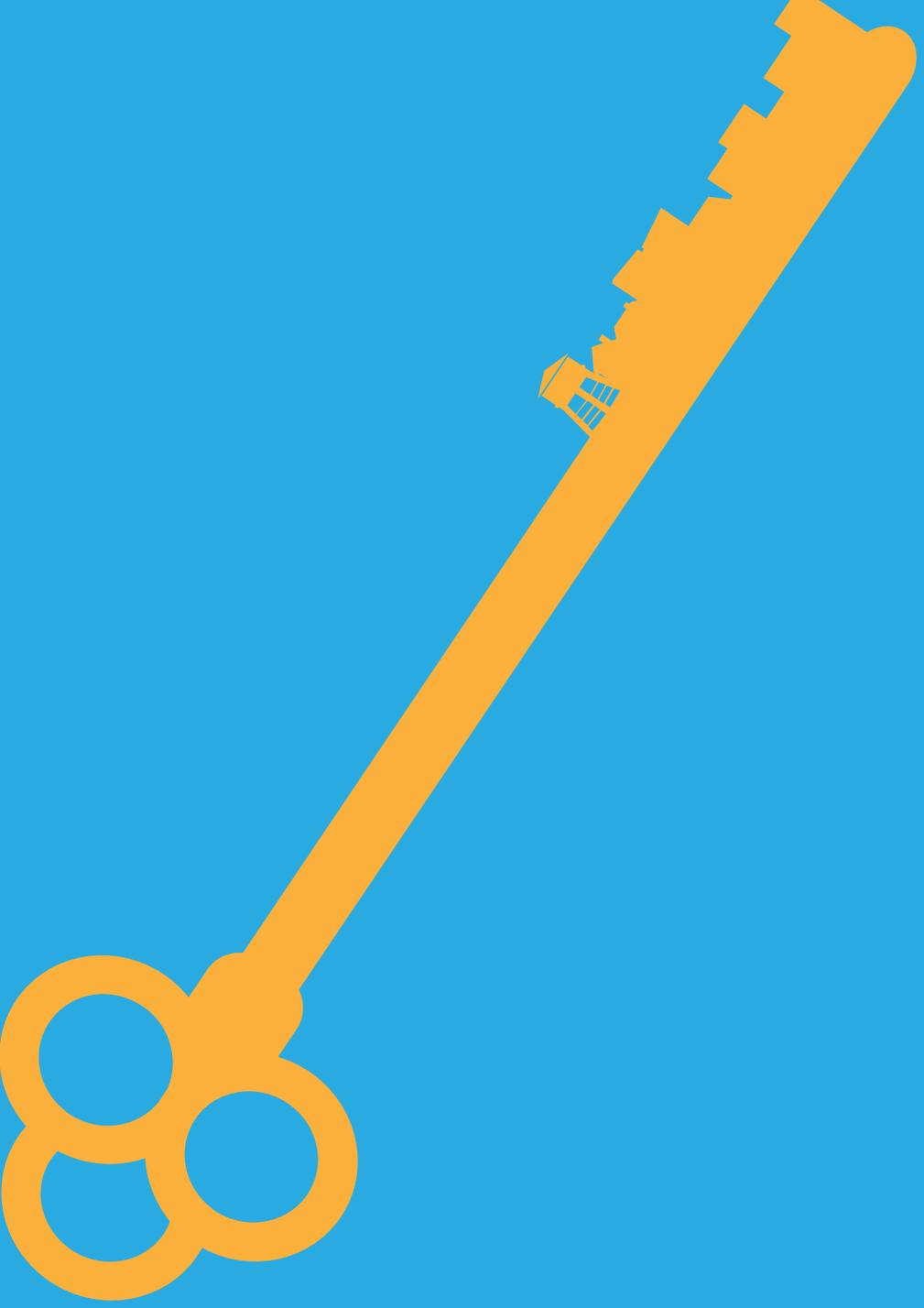


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Introductions:

Feel free to indicate your name and/or organization in the chat.



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Collin County Public Outreach Meeting
June 12, 2021
Hosted over Microsoft Teams

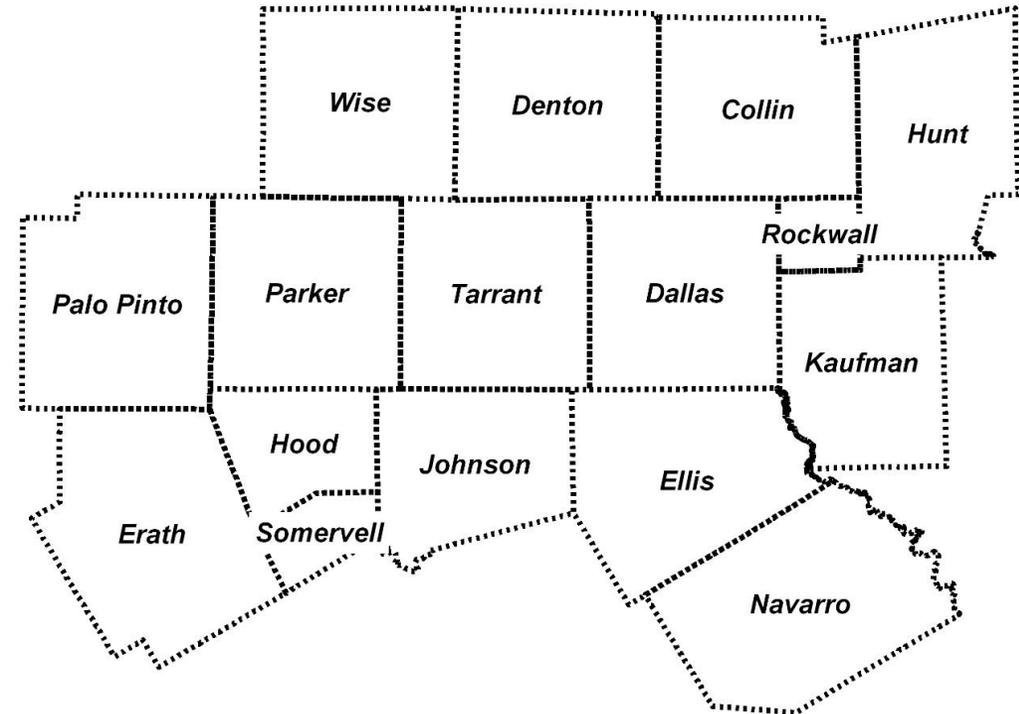
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COLLIN COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

DART

Collin County Rides (DART)

Collin County Transit (DCTA)

DCTA Frisco Demand Response

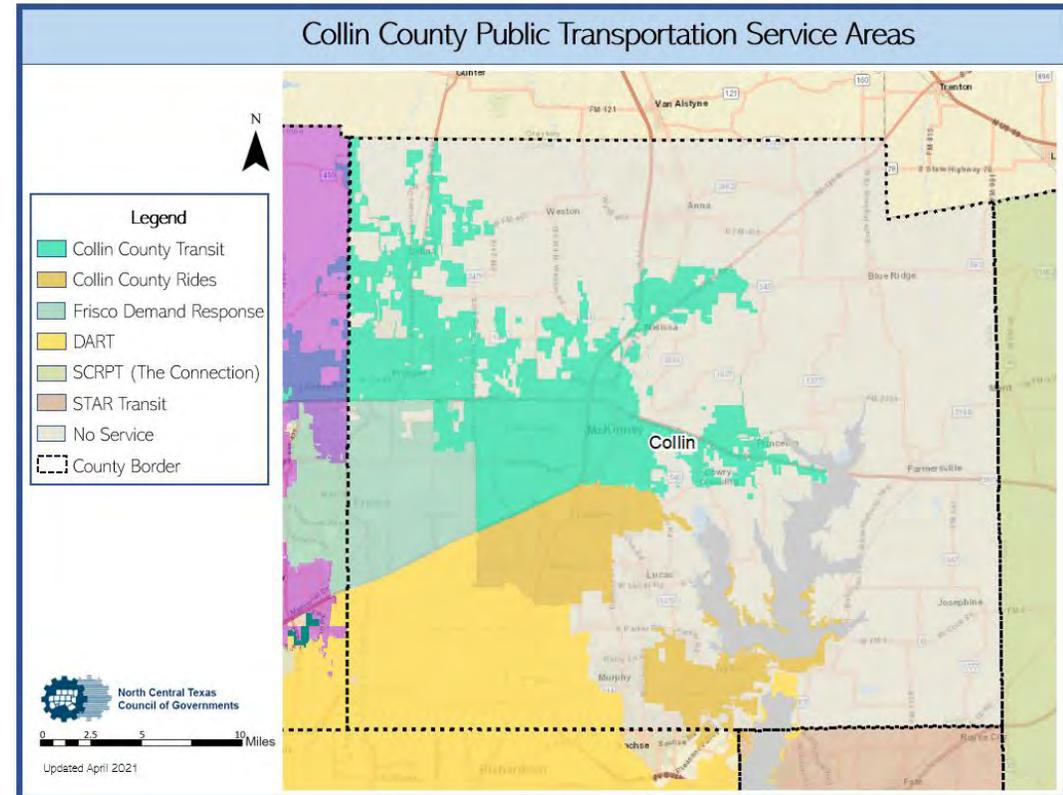
City of Richardson Van Service

City of Sachse Senior Transportation Program

Texas Kidney Health Care (TKHC) Program

Veteran Transportation Service

VA North Texas Health Care System Travel Benefits Program



COLLIN EXISTING STUDIES

- Collin County Transit Study (ongoing)
- Collin County Transit Needs Assessment and Planning Study (2013)
- Collin County Mobility Plan (2014)
- Denton County Transportation Authority Strategic Planning Guidance Report (2018)
- DART Transit Choices Report (2020)
- Transportation Equity and Access to Opportunity for Transit-Dependent Populations in Dallas (2017)

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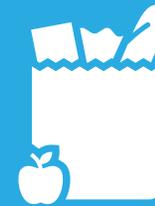
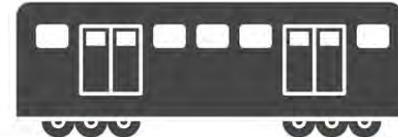




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Which potential services would be most appealing to you or members of your household?





What is the best way to enhance your transit experience?

In areas with no public transit service, assess community needs and implement transit

Improve partnerships and coordination between existing transit providers to simplify cross-community trips

Identify, recruit, educate, and support influential champions for public transportation (elected officials, community leaders, or business leaders) to promote and support public transit through leadership or policy initiatives and to advocate for increasing investment in public transit

Identify, evaluate, and implement where appropriate non-traditional ways to deliver public transportation service, including partnerships among public and private transportation providers

Increase service options in areas with limited access to

1. Medical appointments including dialysis
2. Job training and education
3. Job opportunities

Work with 2-1-1 at least twice a year to ensure transportation resources are up-to-date

Increase public awareness of available transportation services by conducting targeted marketing to agencies such as human service organizations, medical facilities, and educational facilities

Advocate for agencies to integrate funding sources to maximize efficiency and increase available affordable public transportation

Explore partnerships to increase the affordability of fares for those most in need

Collin Strategies

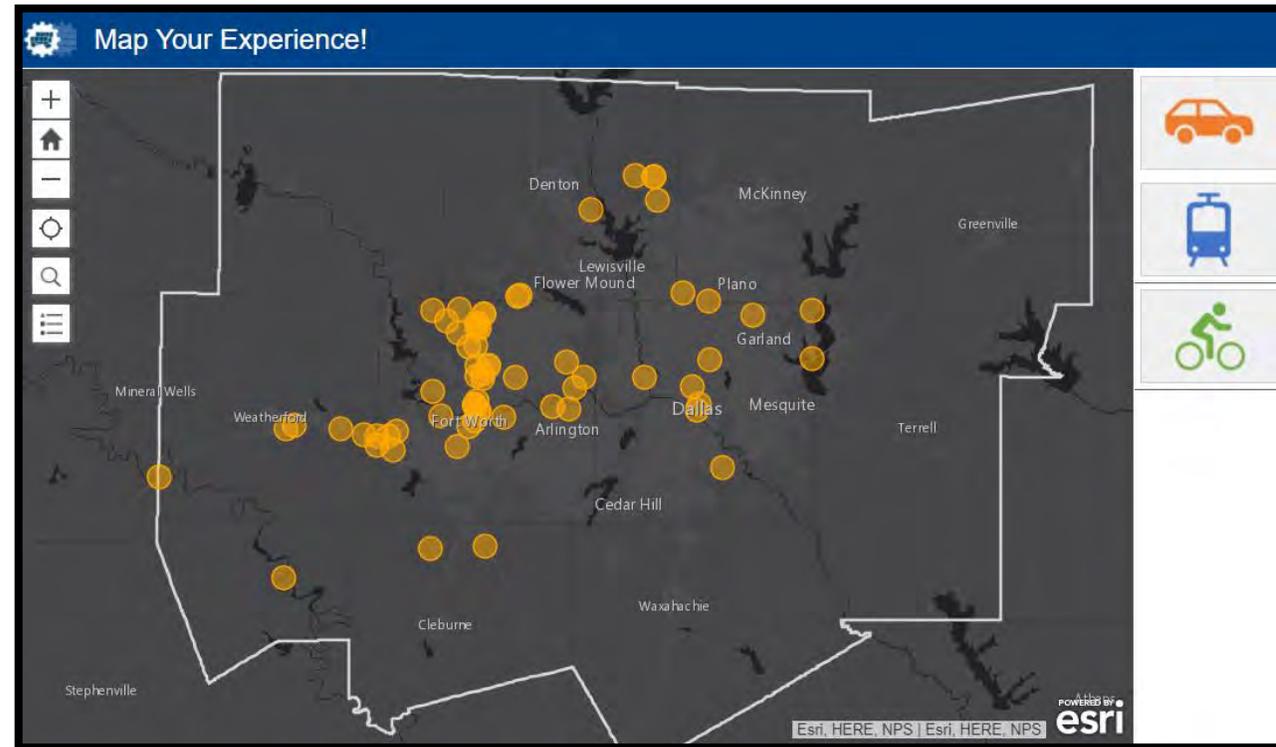
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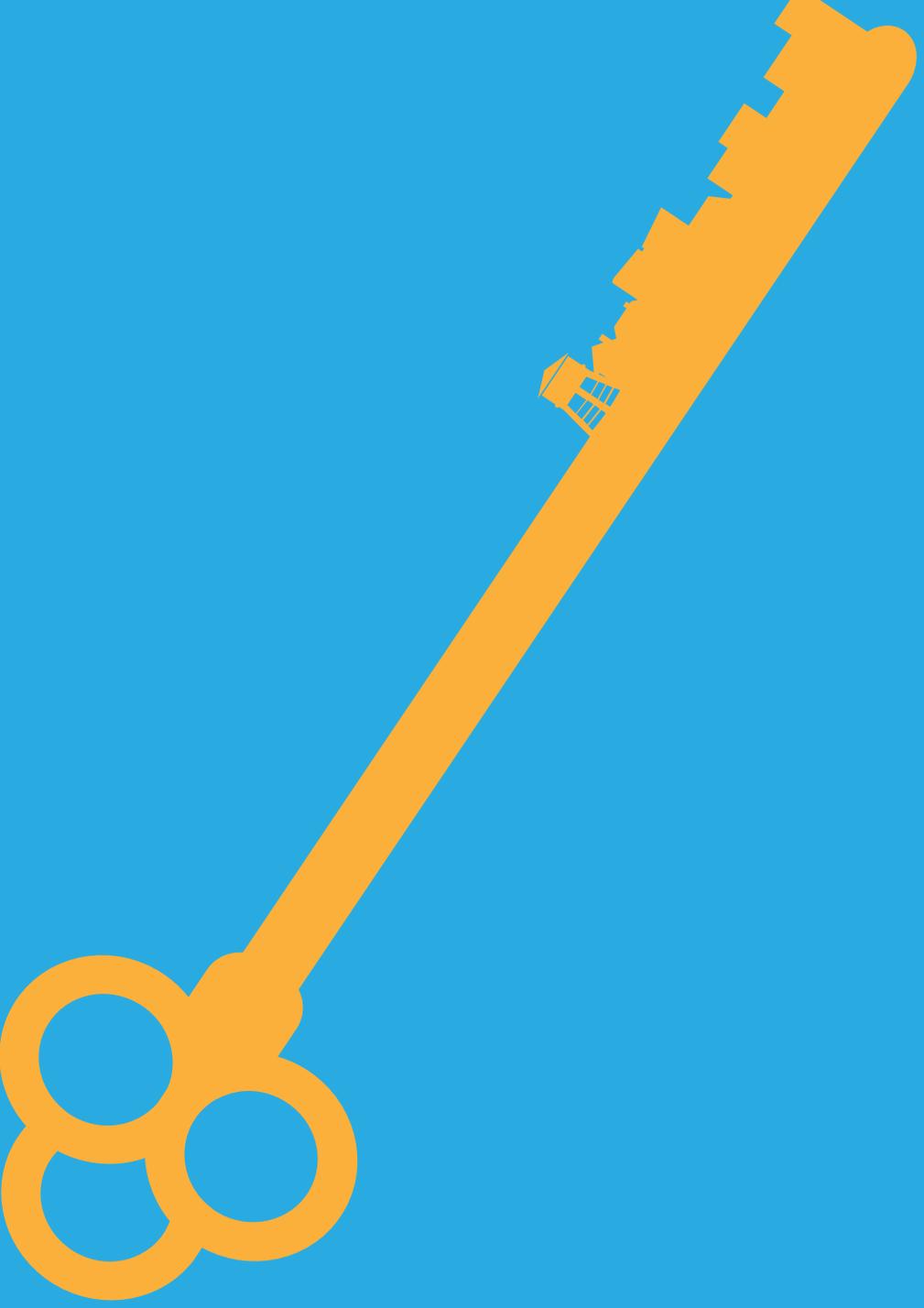
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Dallas County

July 22, 2021

AARP Ride@50+ | Mobility Leadership Circle

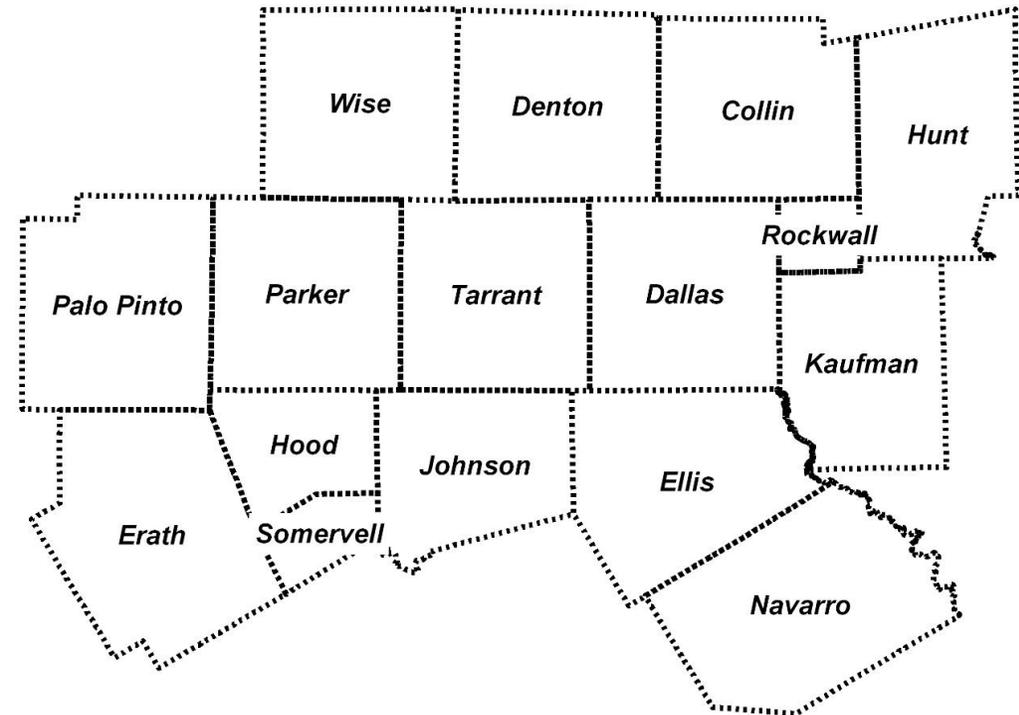
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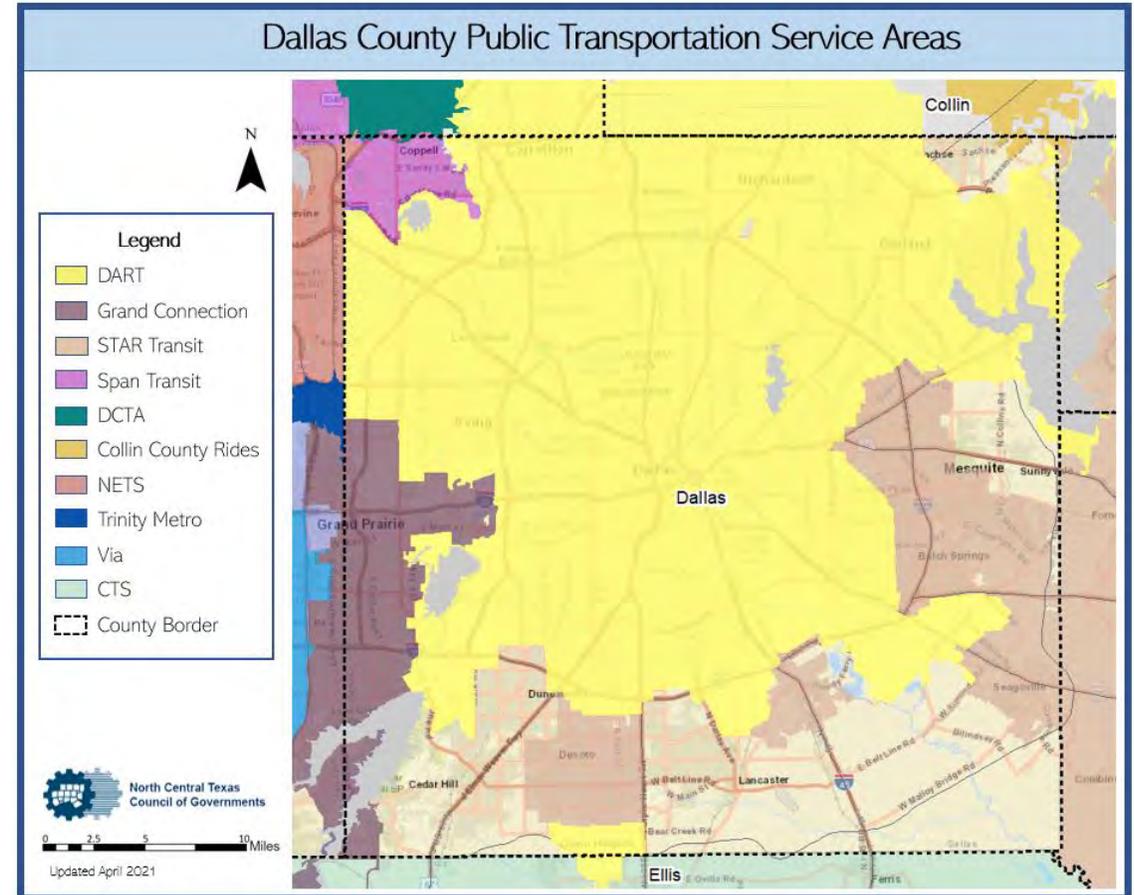
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DALLAS COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

- Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART)
- City of Garland, Senior Services
- City of Grand Prairie, The Grand Connection
- City of Richardson Van Service
- City of Sachse Senior Transportation Program
- Dallas County Health and Human Services - Older Adult Services Program
- Parkland Senior Outreach Services
- Span Transit - City of Coppell
- STAR Transit
- Trinity Railway Express (TRE)



DALLAS COUNTY UPCOMING CHANGES

Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) Proposed Network and Service Changes:

- Replacing all local bus routes with a newly designed bus network featuring **more frequent service and consistent hours** of operation
- **Adding** new GoLink Zones and **expanding** existing GoLink Zones
- **Restoring light rail service to pre-pandemic levels** with 15-minute peak service
- **More frequent** evening light rail service on weekdays
- Final board approval is planned for August with **implementation** of the new service changes **scheduled for January 24, 2022**
- For more information visit, <https://dartzoom.org/>



2018 Summarized Dallas County Strategies

1. Areas with **no public transit service**, assess community needs and implement transit
2. Expand in areas with **limited public transit service**
3. For areas **with public transit service**, expand transit to match underserved populations or purposes
4. When expanding transit service, **use partnerships** to leverage multiple funding sources
5. Improve partnerships and coordination between existing transit providers to **simplify regional trips**
6. Continue to **conduct travel training** to teach riders how to use public transportation and make regional transfers
7. Continue to **conduct targeted marketing** to local agencies about existing transportation resources
8. Complete and expand projects that have a **no wrong door approach** to accessing transit
9. Advocate for agencies to integrate funding sources to maximize efficiency and **increase available affordable public transportation**
10. Work with 2-1-1 at least twice a year to **ensure transportation resources are up-to-date**
11. Provide **information** about transportation providers and **resources in multiple languages**
12. Identify, recruit, educate, and support influential **champions for public transportation** to promote and support public transit and to advocate for increasing investment in public transit
13. Create partnerships to **increase the accessibility** of bus stops and paths to bus and rail transit; **leverage municipal investment in accessibility projects** to further support cities' investment in public transportation

How can transit service be improved in Dallas County?



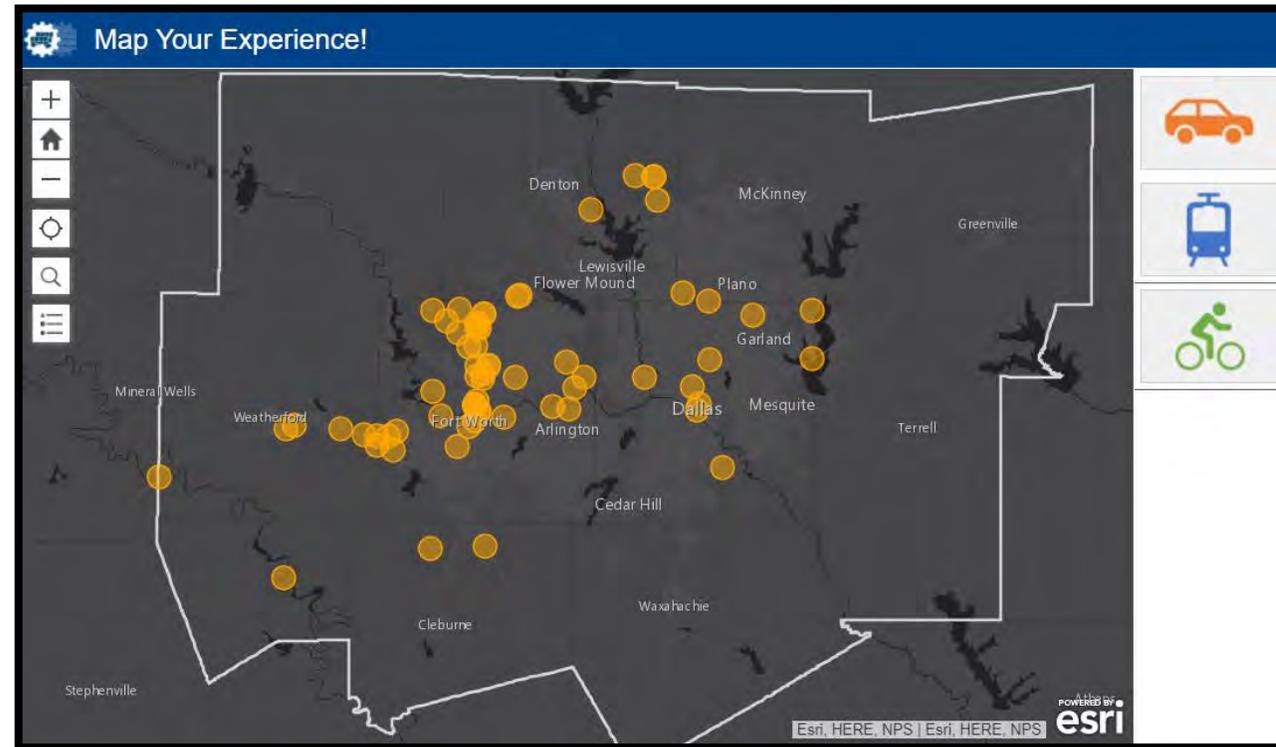
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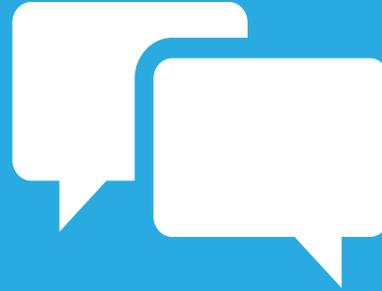
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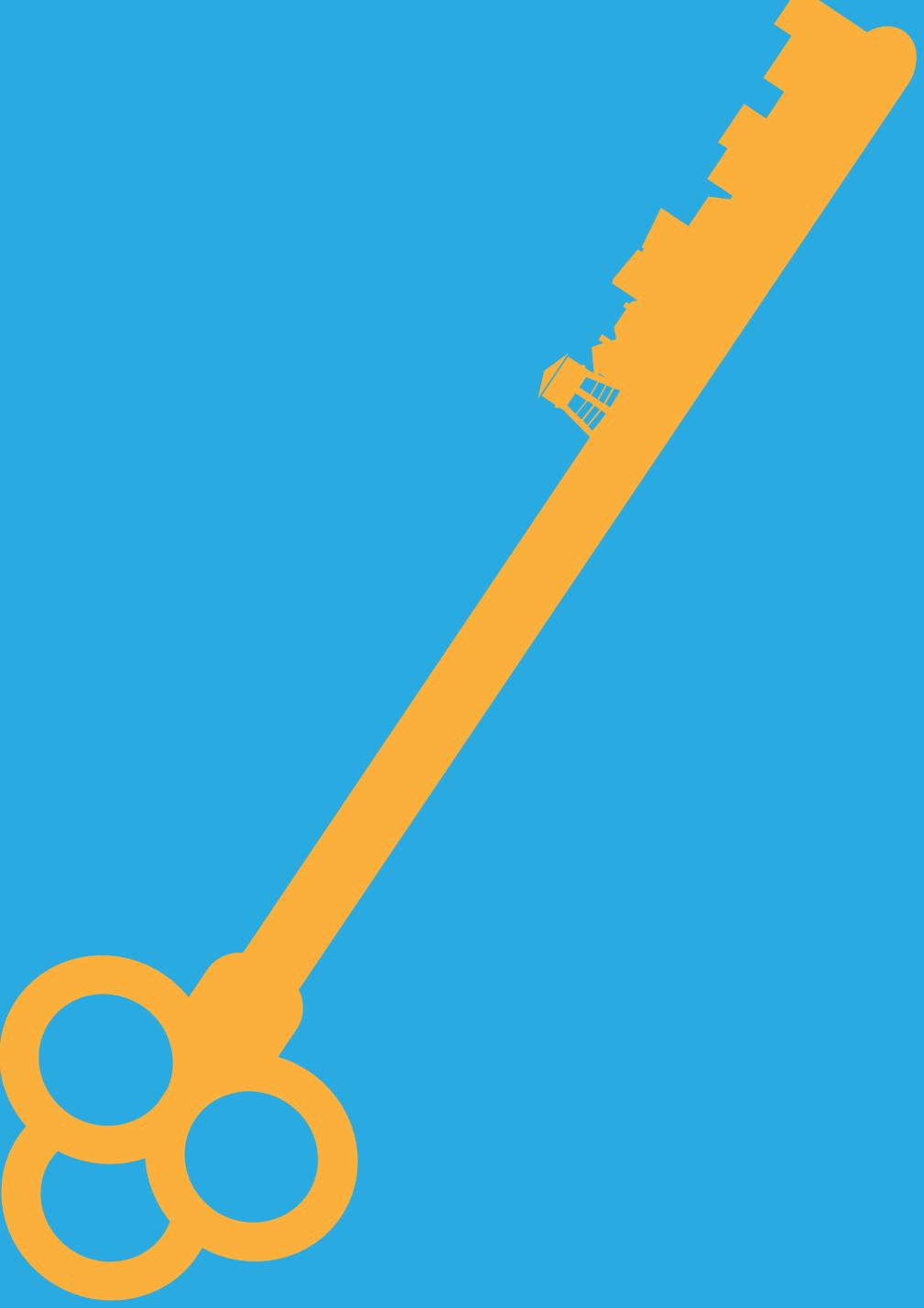
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Denton County

June 23rd, 24th, & 26th, 2021

Virtual Public Meetings

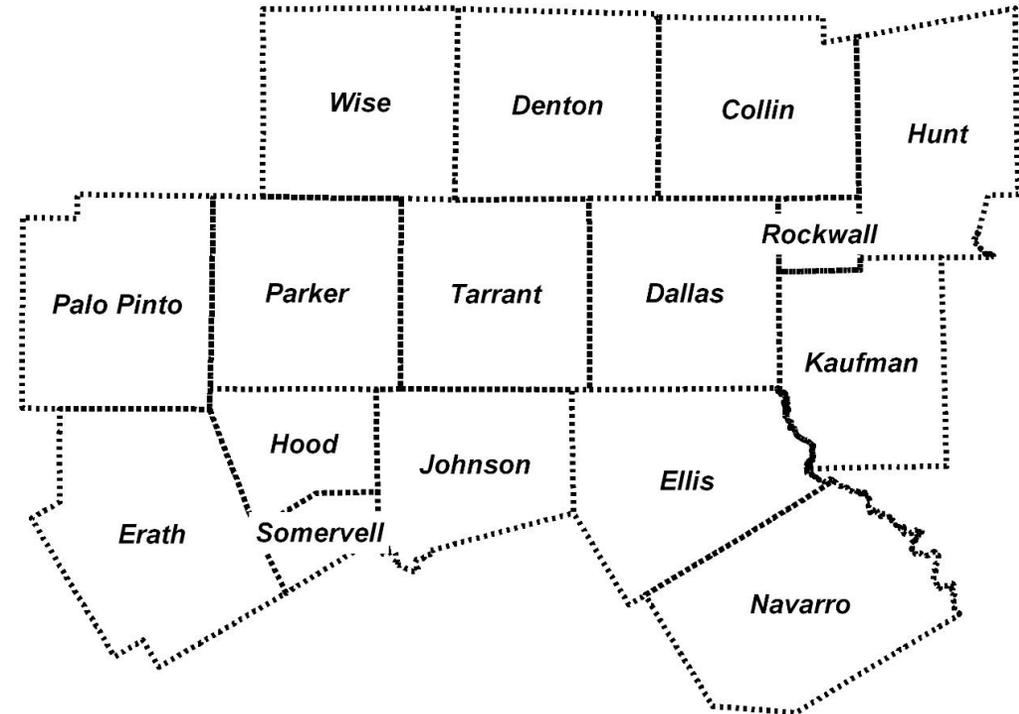
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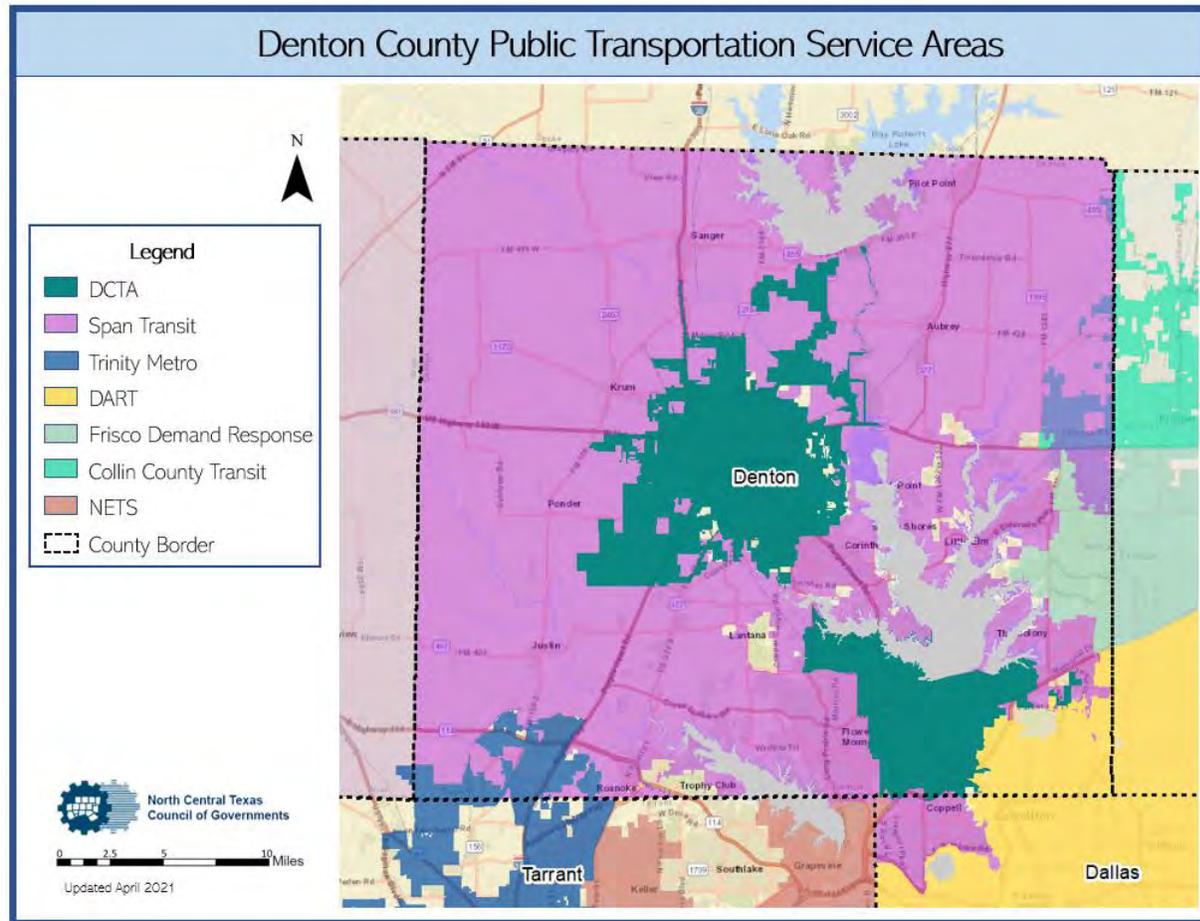


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DENTON COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES



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- DCTA Frisco Demand Response
- Span Transit
- DART Bus and Rail, Paratransit
- Highland Village Lyft
- Texas Kidney Health Care (TKHC) Program
- VA North Texas Health Care System Travel Benefits Program
- Veteran Transportation Service

DENTON COUNTY UPCOMING CHANGES

Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) Service Changes:

- GoZone is an [on-demand rideshare service](#) that riders will be able to utilize for trips within, and sometimes between, designated zones.
- This proposed service will [utilize a mobile app](#) where passengers can book their trips in real time. A fleet of dedicated vans will be used to pick up and drop off riders at virtual stops within the zones.
- GoZone seeks to provide [safe, convenient, accessible, and affordable rides with a limited wait time](#).
- Service changes anticipated to launch on September 7, 2021.
- Learn more by visiting the DCTA [How it Works page](#).



EXISTING STUDIES



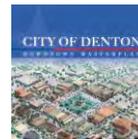
City of Denton



Denton Plan 2030 (2015)



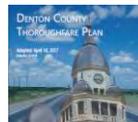
Denton Mobility Plan (2020)



Denton Downtown Master Plan (2002)



DCTA Long Range Service Plan (2012)



Denton County Thoroughfare Plan (2017)

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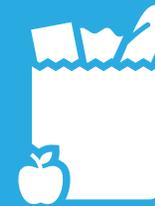
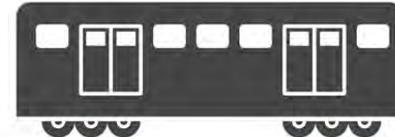




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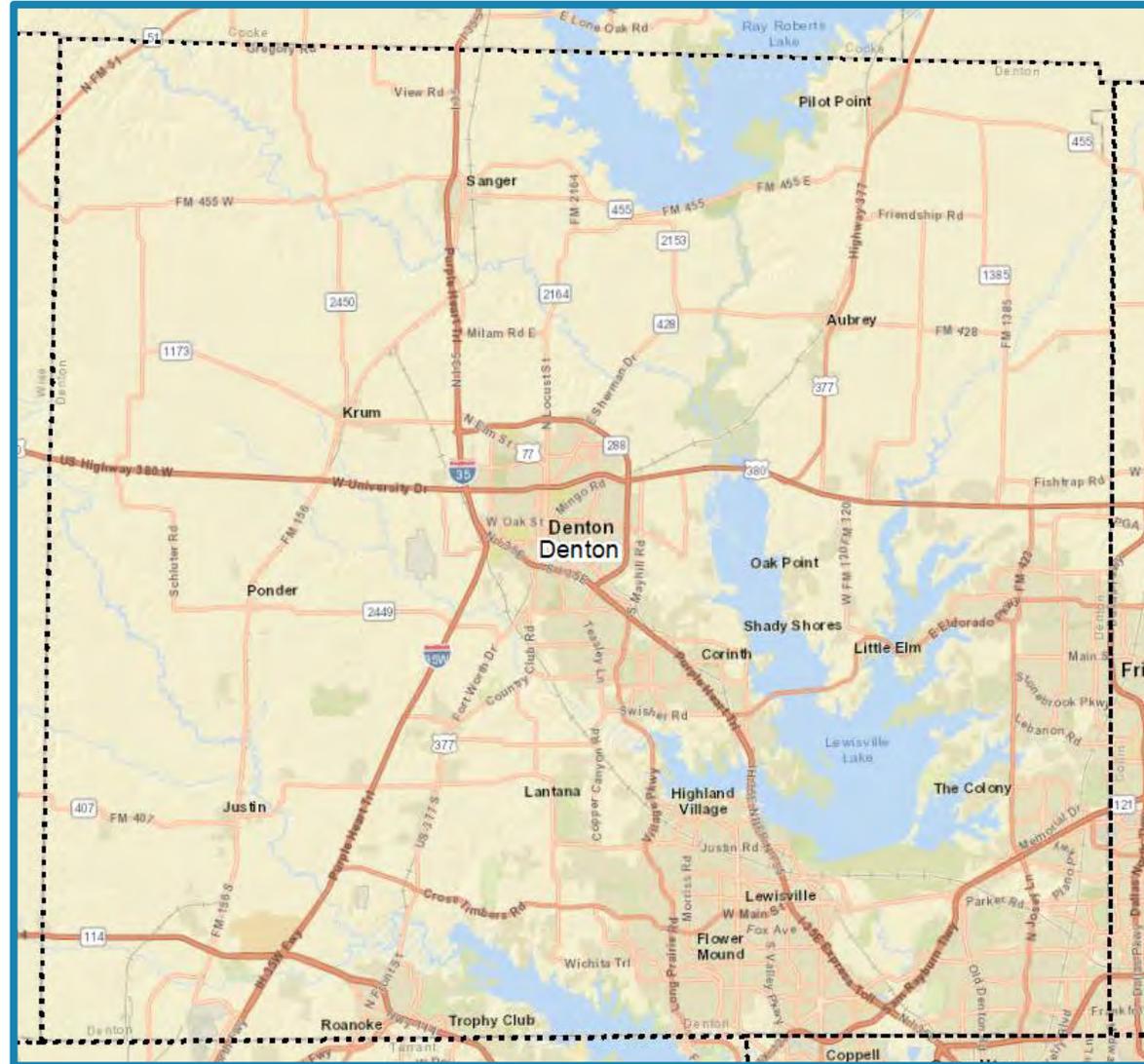
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2018 Denton County Strategies

- **Denton Strategy 1** Implement transit in areas without service
- **Denton Strategy 2** Affordable transportation to the VA clinic in Bonham
- **Denton Strategy 3** Access to medical appointments in Dallas County and Tarrant County
- **Denton Strategy 4** Increase awareness of existing public transit services
- **Denton Strategy 5** Increase awareness of how to use available transit services
- **Denton Strategy 6** Conduct customer service training for transit agency employees
- **Denton Strategy 7** Improve access to education and education facilities
- **Denton Strategy 8** Improve partnerships across geographic boundaries to simplify trips and explore cost-sharing options
- **Denton Strategy 9** Advocate for the integration of funding for efficient, affordable public transportation
- **Denton Strategy 10** Identify, recruit, educate, and support influential champions
- **Denton Strategy 11** Coordinate committee meetings to discuss transportation in Denton County
- **Denton Strategy 12** Create partnerships to increase the accessibility of bus stops and paths to transit

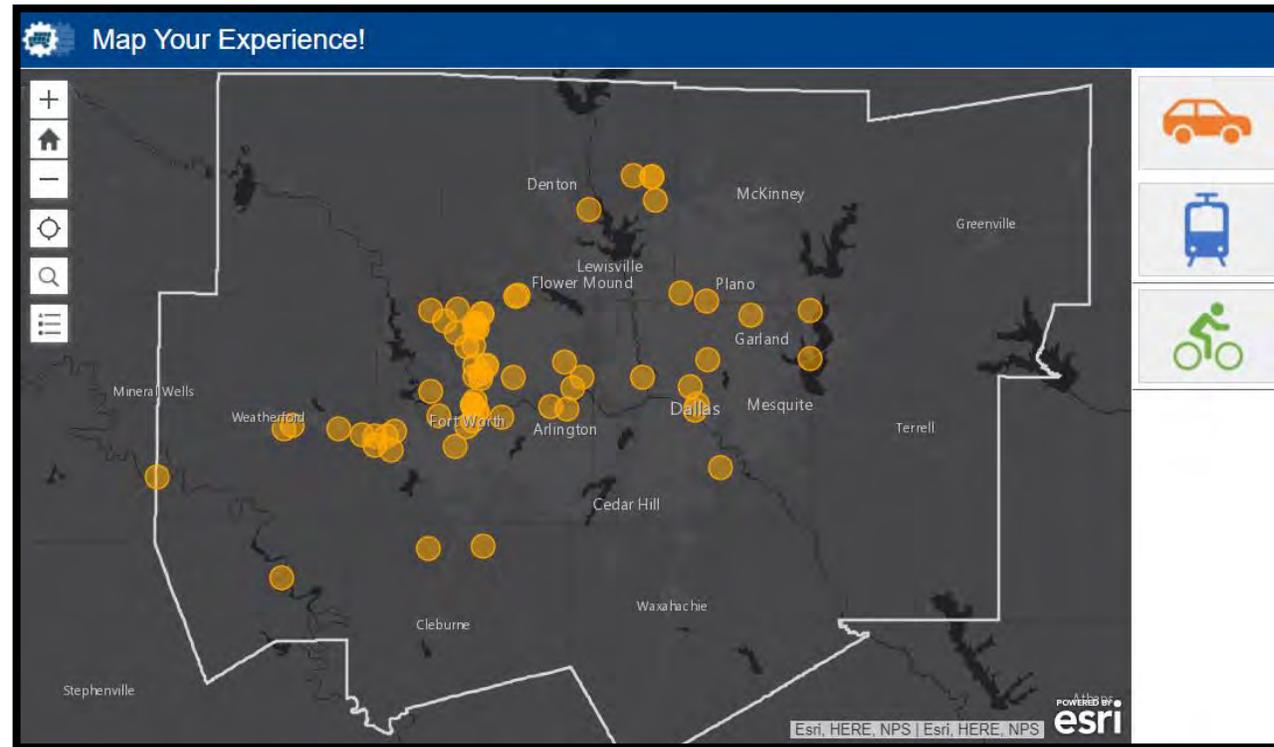
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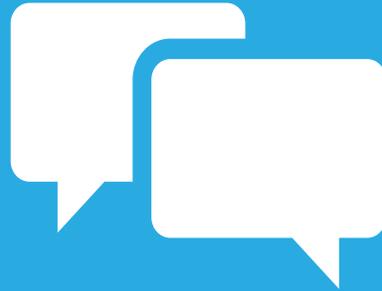
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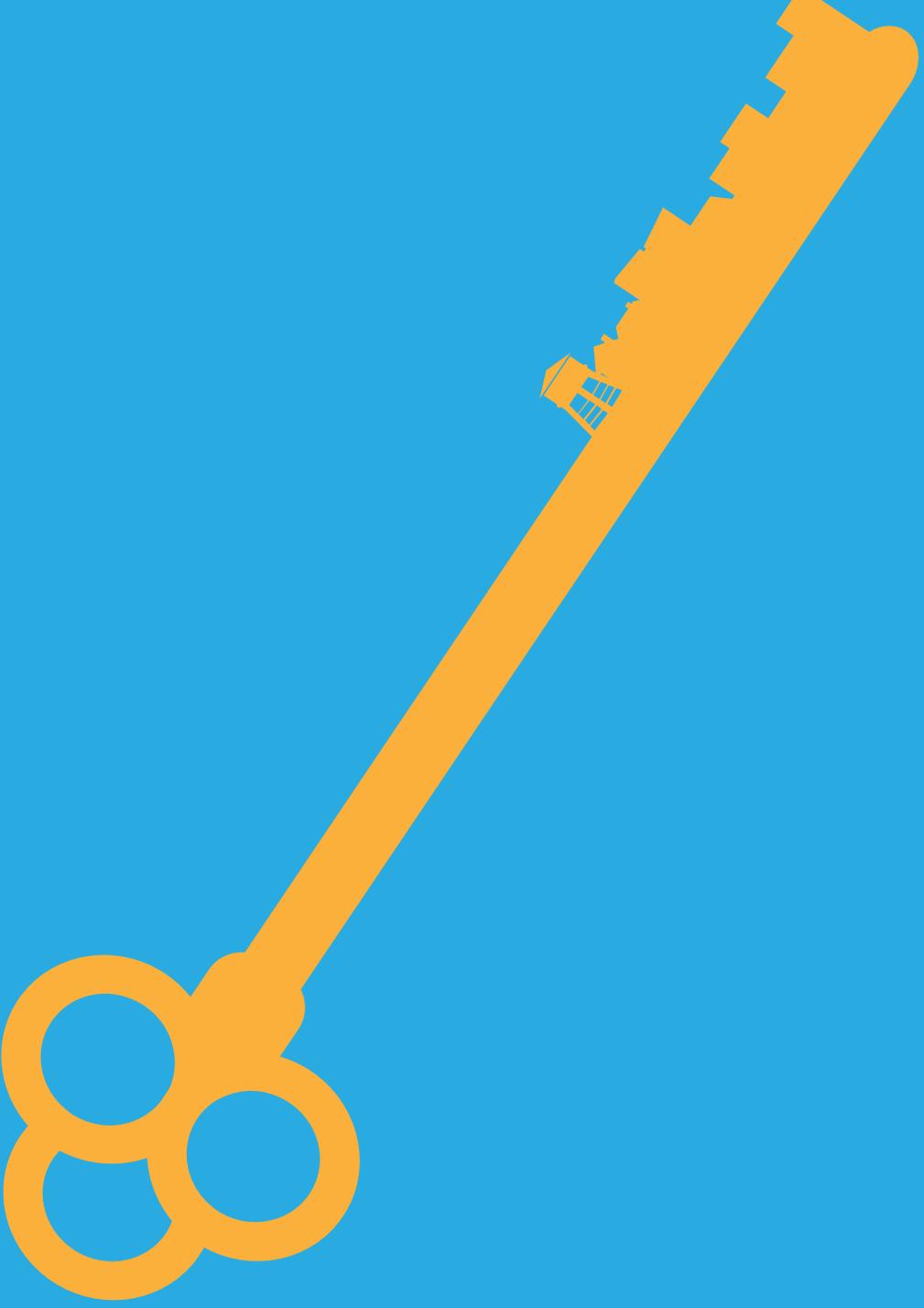
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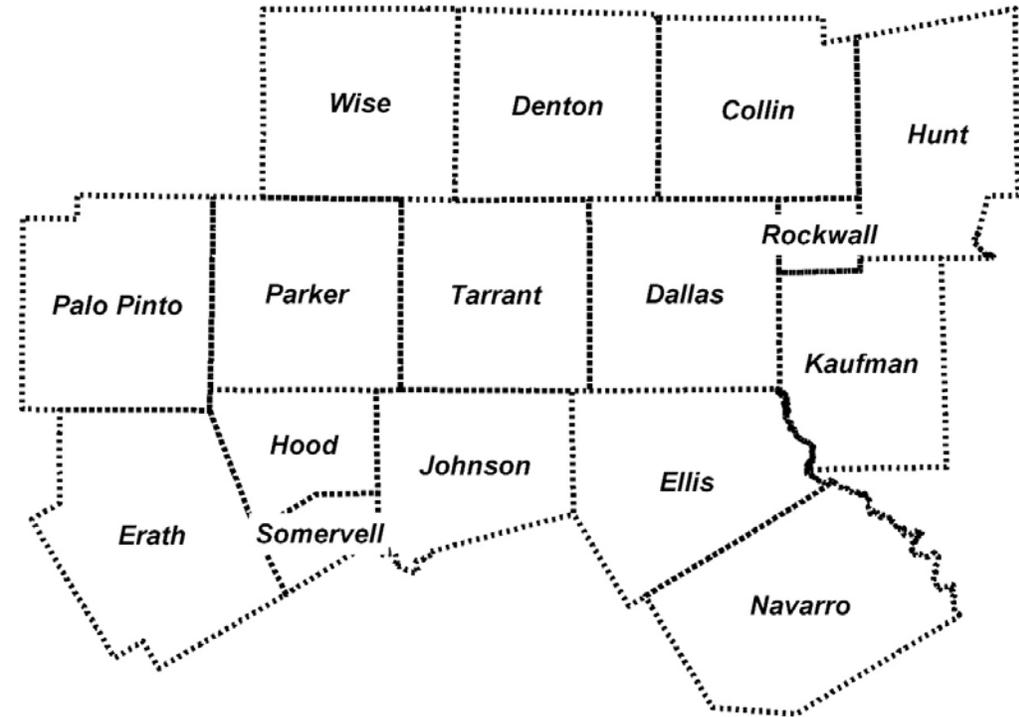
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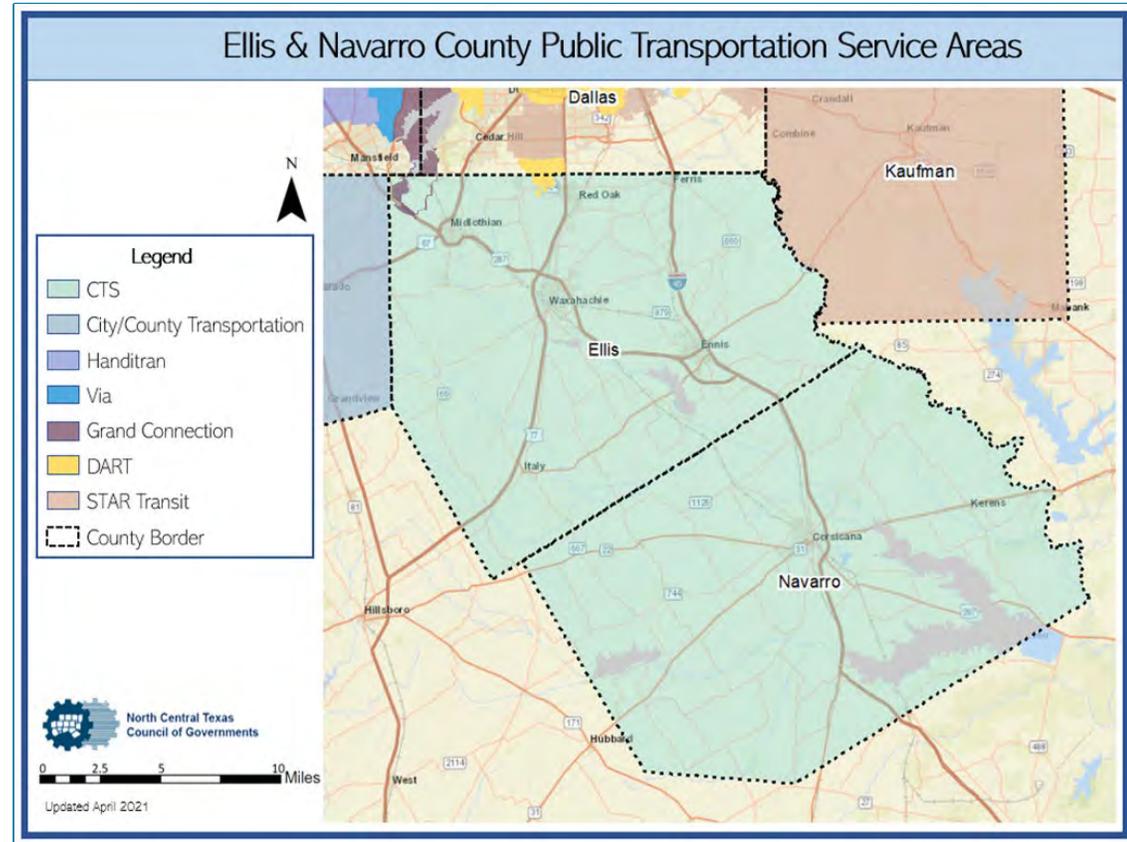
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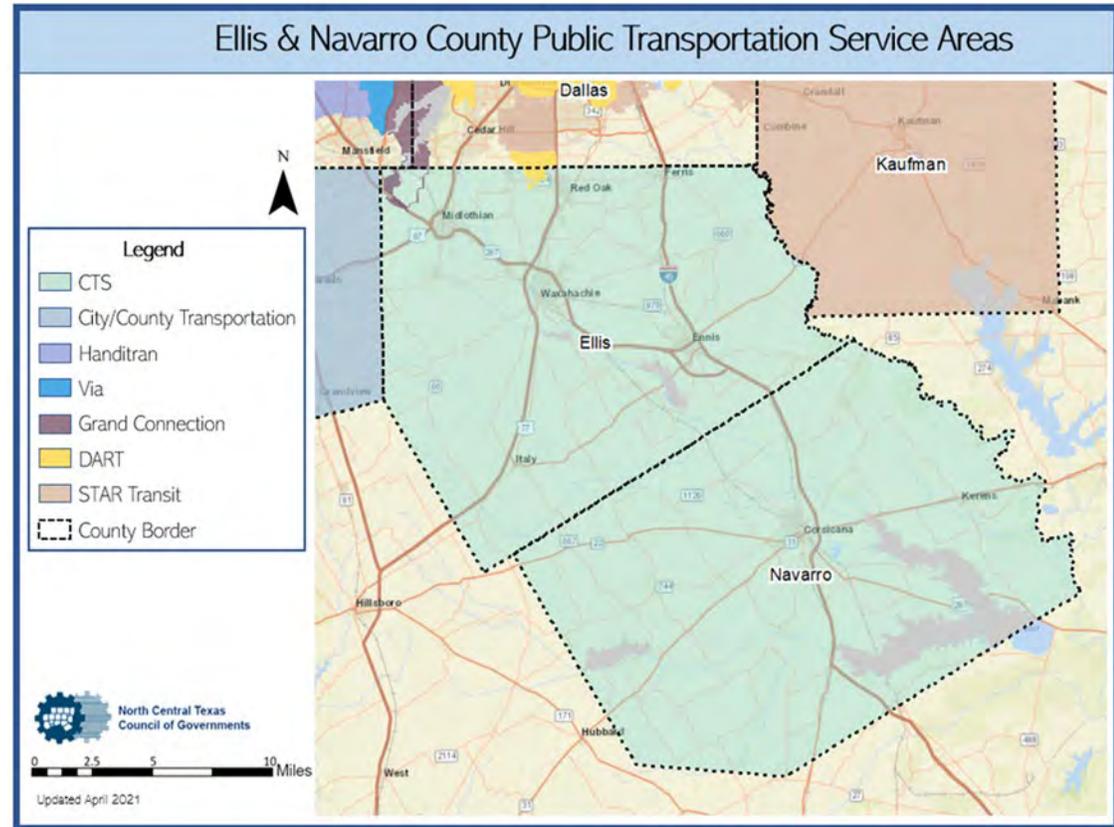
ELLIS COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

- Community Transit Services (CTS)
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NAVARRO COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

- Community Transit Services (CTS)
- DART Vanpool
- Texas Kidney Health Care (TKHC) Program
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ELLIS COUNTY EXISTING STUDIES

- Johnson County Thoroughfare Plan (*completed August 2020*)
- City of Burleson's Comprehensive Plan (*adopted April 2010*)
- City of Cleburne's Master Thoroughfare Plan (*adopted 2008*)

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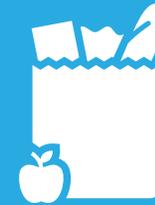
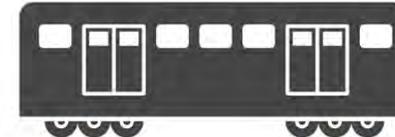




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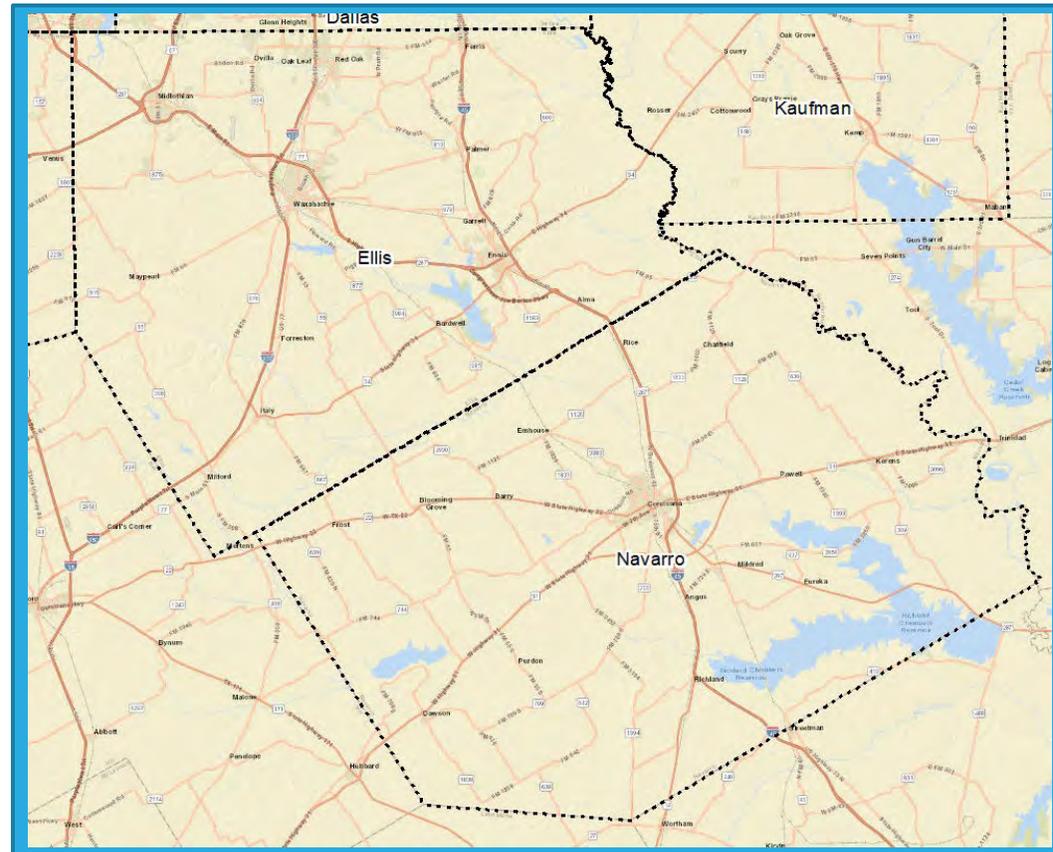
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Improve transportation options for local access to job and education opportunities

Explore partnerships to increase the affordability of fares for those most in need

Expand transportation services to provide service for late-shift workers

Explore partnerships with local employers, medical centers, cities, and other agencies to fund additional transit services

Conduct targeted marketing to local agencies about existing transportation resources, including transit resources for veterans

Work with 2-1-1 at least twice a year to ensure public transportation resources are up-to-date

Create and maintain a coordinating committee to discuss ongoing transportation needs

Explore partnerships with existing transportation providers to reduce the number of transfers for regional trips

Establish consistent and effective driver recruitment and retention programs for public transportation services to address difficulties in retaining drivers in Ellis County

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Explore partnerships with existing transportation providers to reduce the number of transfers for regional trips

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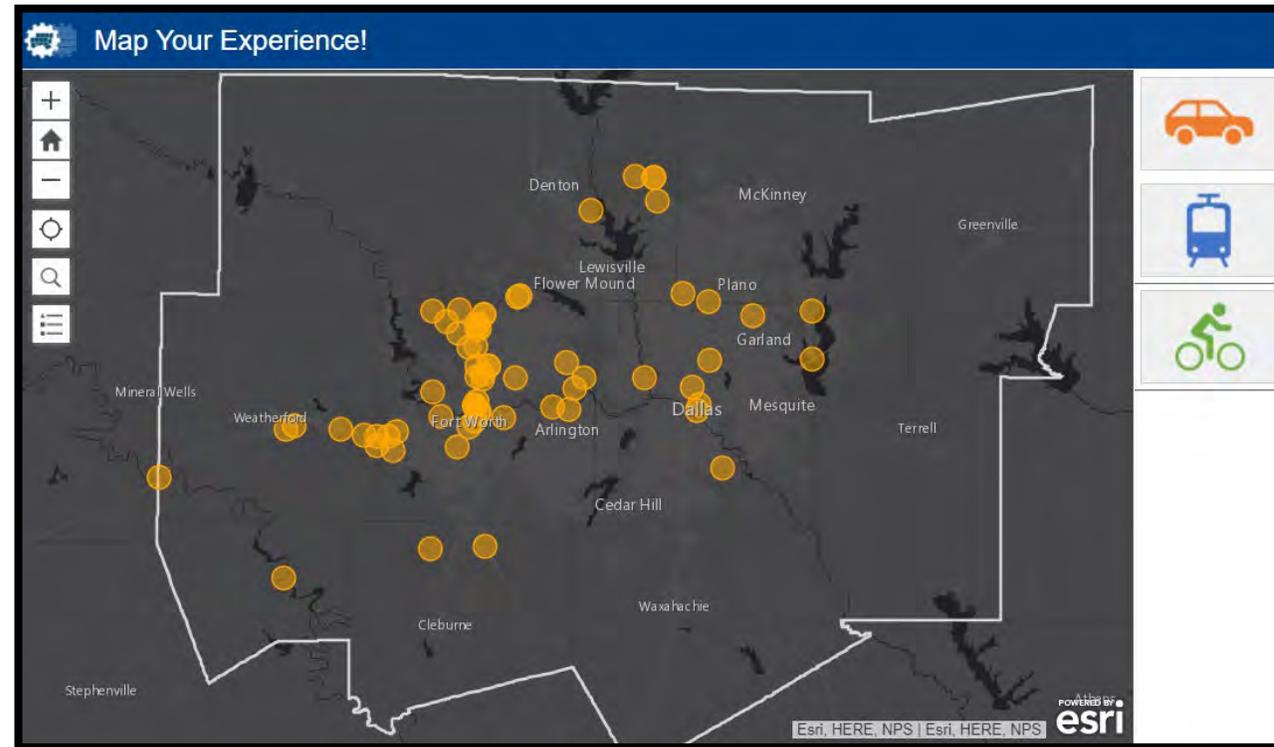
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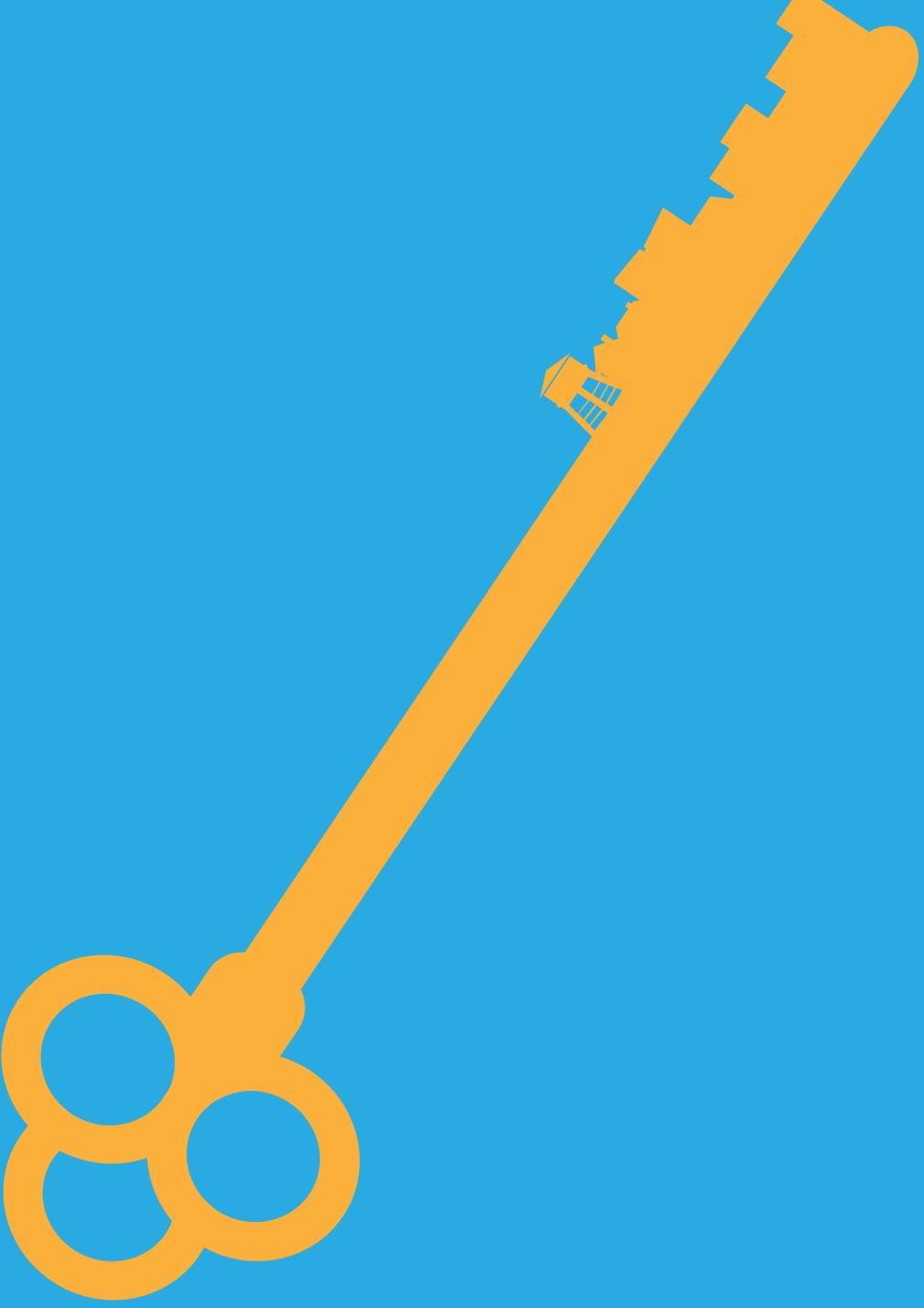
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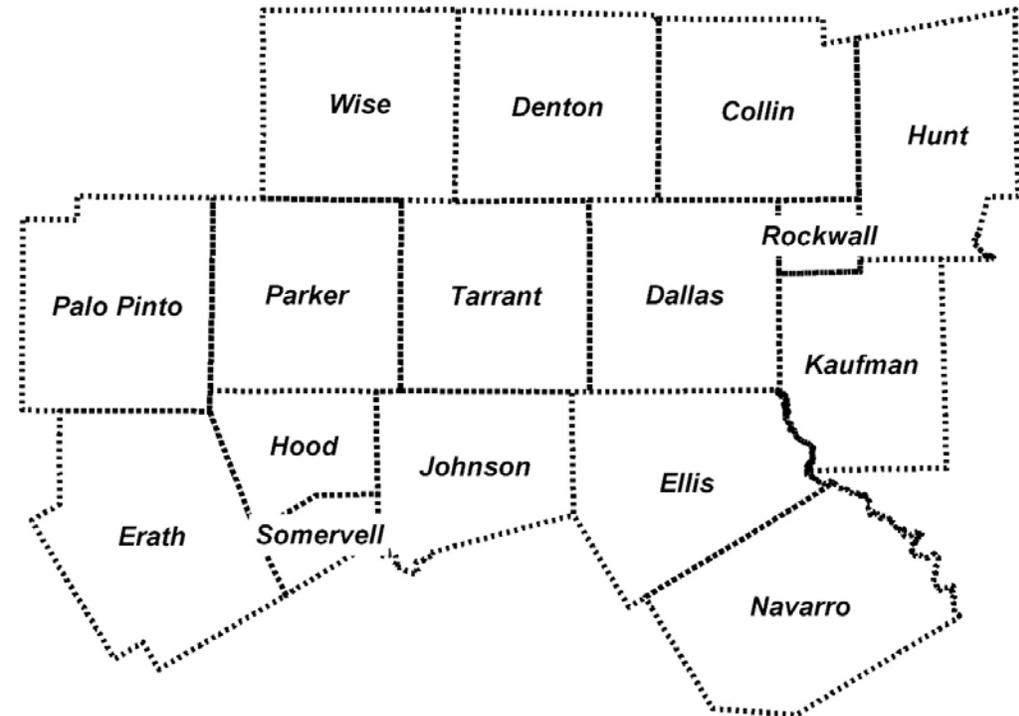
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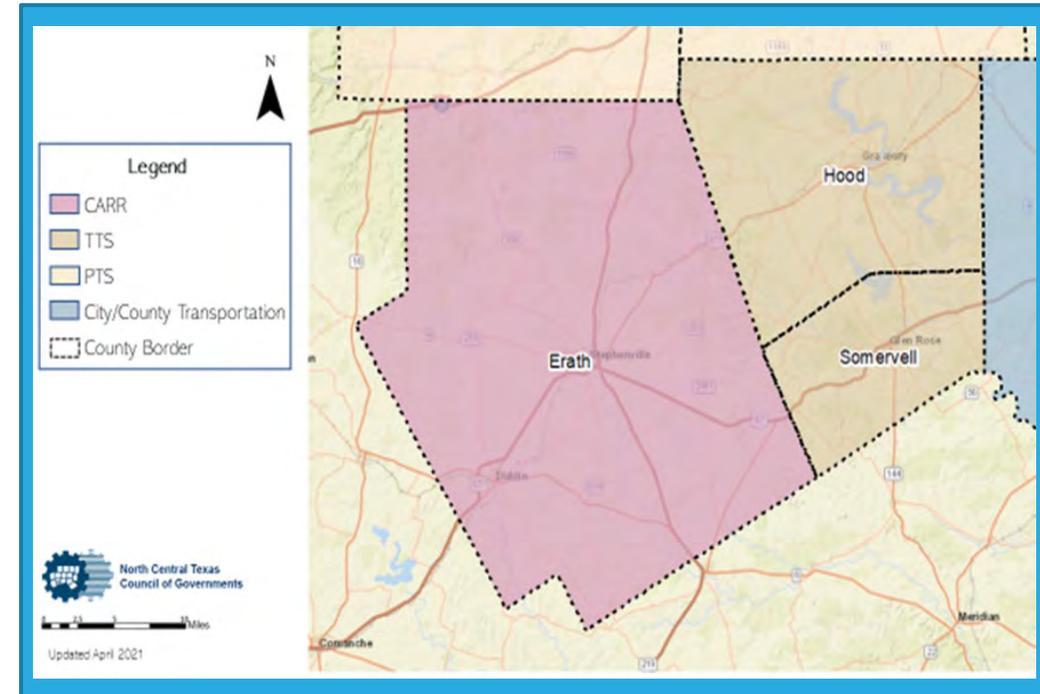
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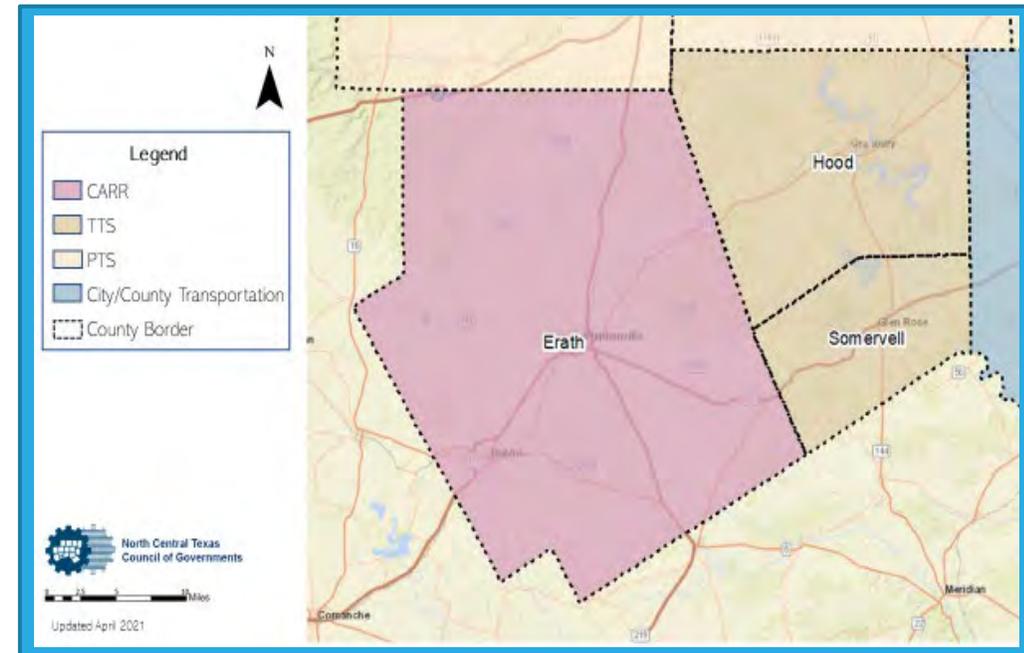
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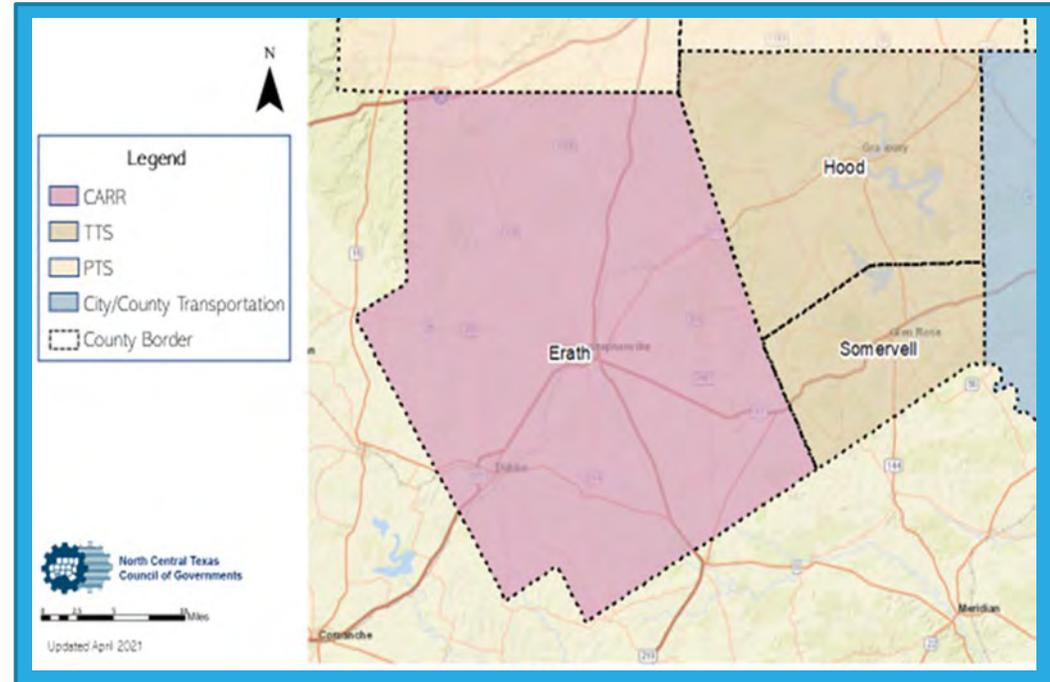
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- Erath Co. - Stephenville Thoroughfare Plan (*adopted*)
- Hood Co. - Granbury Comprehensive Plan
- Somervell Co. – N/A

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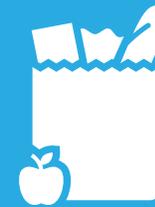
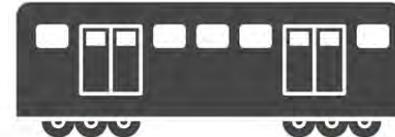




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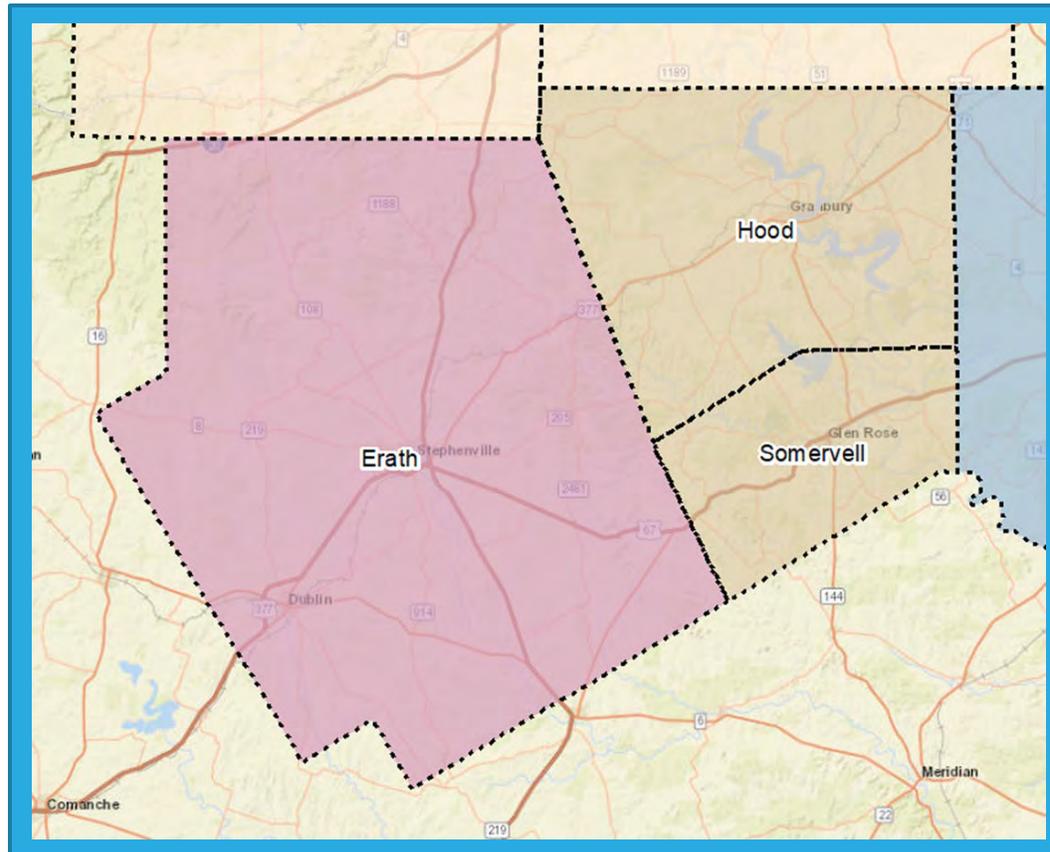
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What is the best way to enhance your transit experience?

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Improve access to Veterans Affairs facilities in Dallas and Fort Worth

Explore partnerships to increase the affordability of fares for those most in need

Add capacity to existing transit service

Work with 2-1-1 at least twice a year to ensure public transportation resources are up-to-date

Conduct targeted marketing to local agencies about existing transportation resources

Explore partnerships with local employers, cities, and other agencies to fund additional transit services

Conduct travel training to teach riders how to use public transportation

ERATH STRATEGIES

Improve Access to Veteran Affairs facilities in Dallas and Fort Worth

Explore partnerships to increase the affordability of fares for those most in need

Add capacity to existing transit service

Establish consistent and effective driver recruitment and retention programs for public transportation services to address difficulties in retaining drivers in Hood and Somervell County

Work with 2-1-1 at least twice a year to ensure public transportation resources are up to date

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HOOD & SOMERVELL STRATEGIES

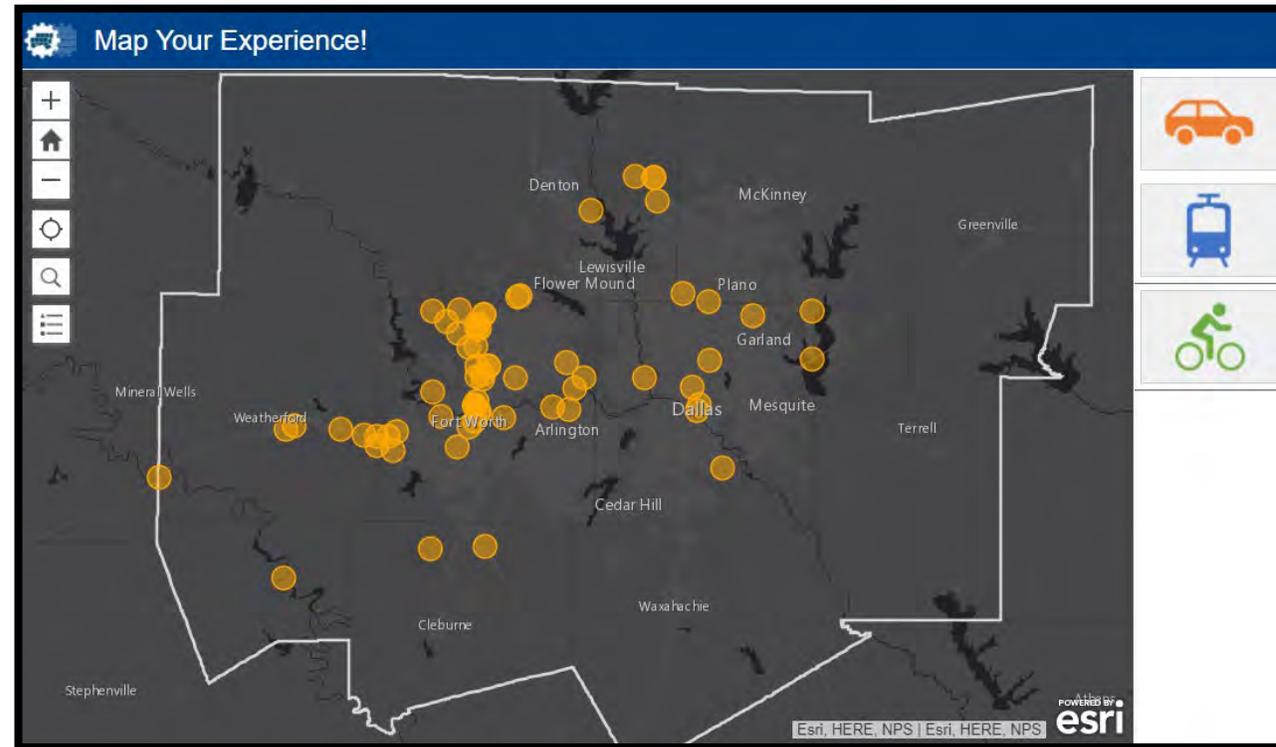
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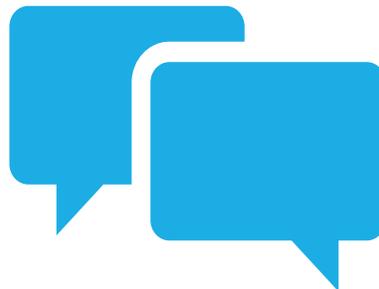
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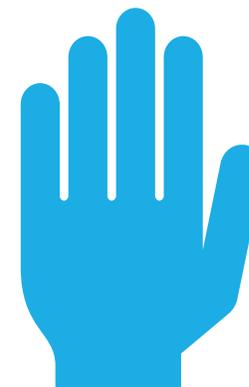
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Hunt County Public Outreach Meeting
Facilitated by Gypsy Gavia, Transportation Planner
April 27, 2021 via Zoom

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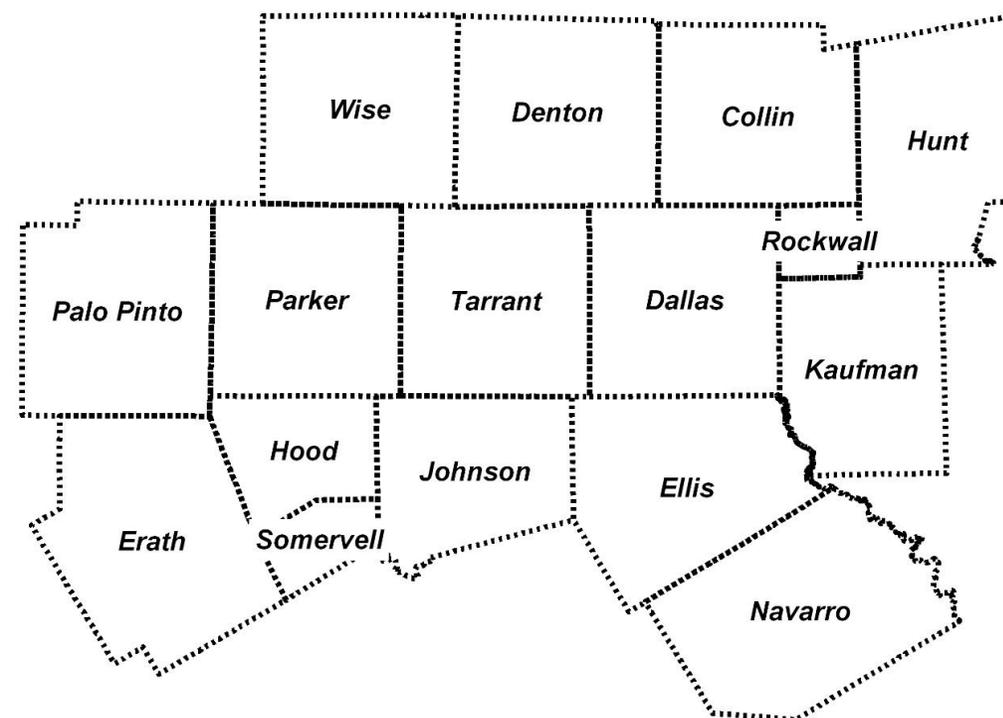
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EXISTING SERVICES

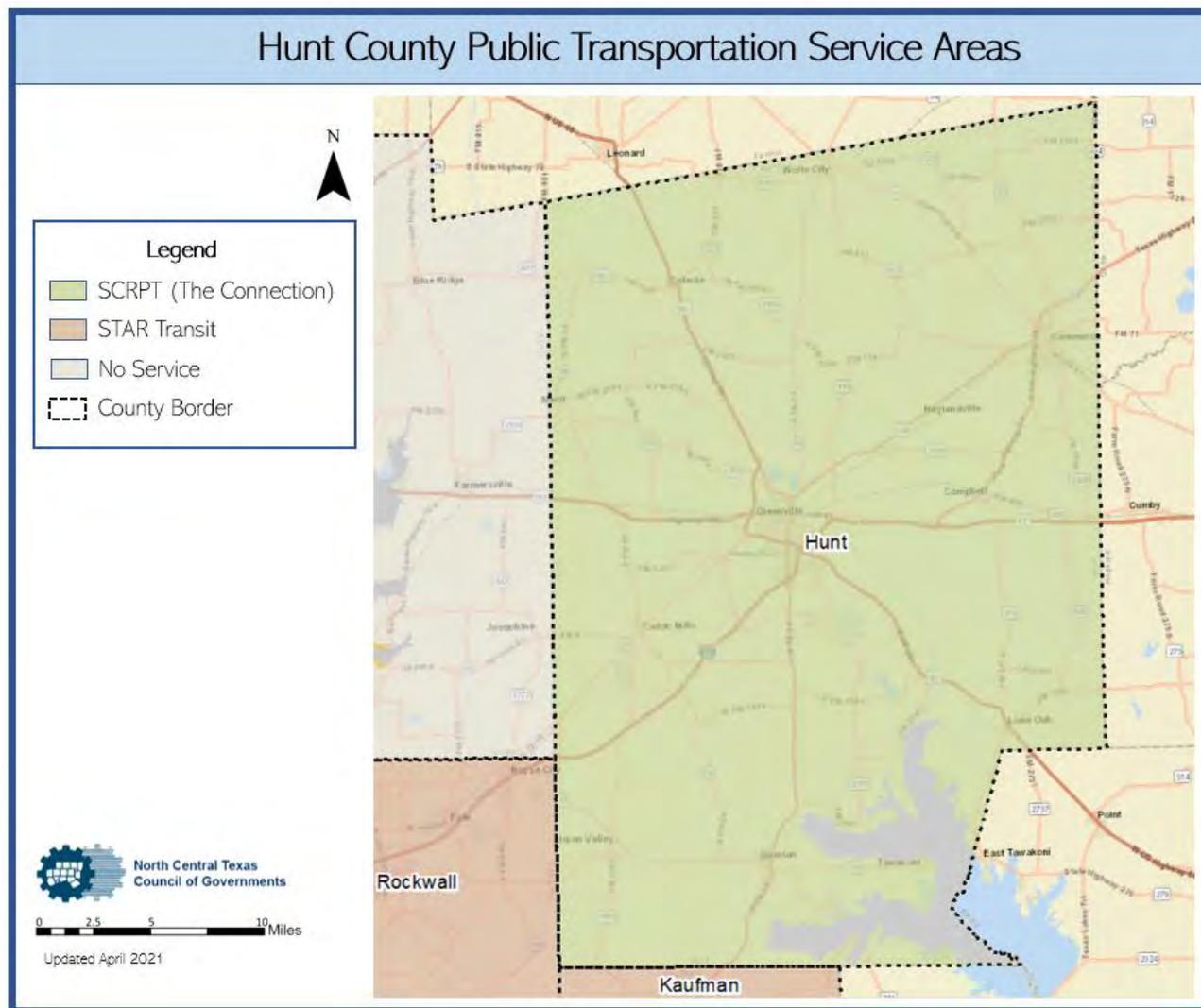
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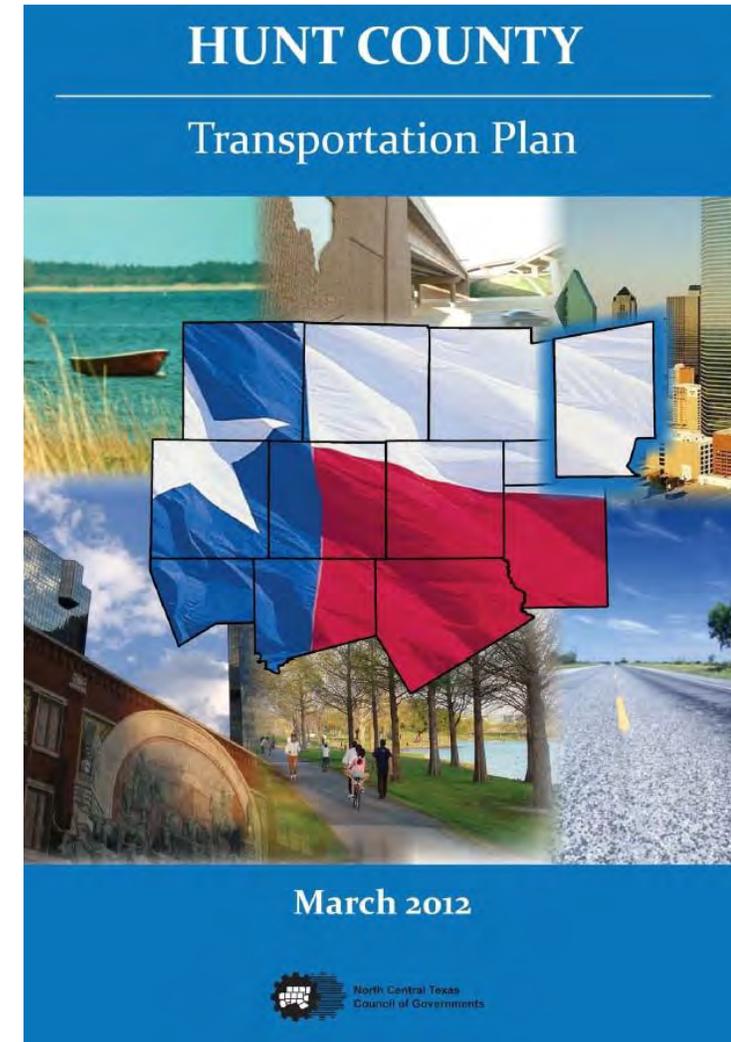
HUNT COUNTY EXISTING STUDIES/PLANS

Comprehensive Plan 2025 by City of Greenville
(2004)

West Greenville Small Area Plan by City of
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Hunt County Transportation Plan by North
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Campus Master Plan by Texas A&M University-
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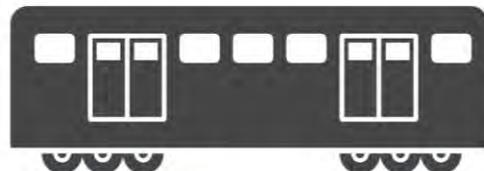
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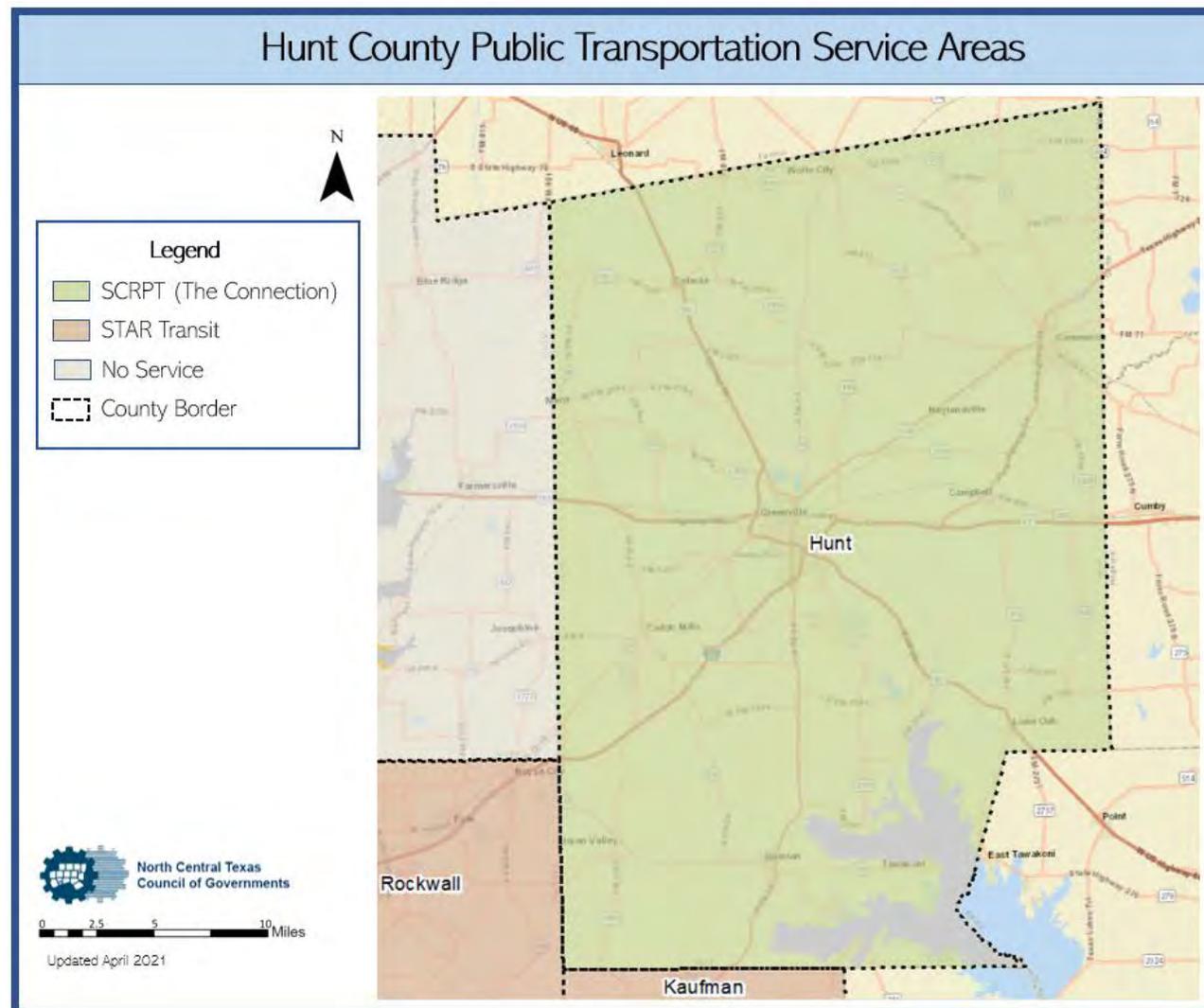
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HUNT COUNTY

Feedback on 2018 Strategies



Improve awareness of available public transportation services and how to use them



Create and maintain a coordinating committee to discuss ongoing transportation needs



Improve regional connections to Dallas County and Collin County, particularly for medical appointments and work opportunities

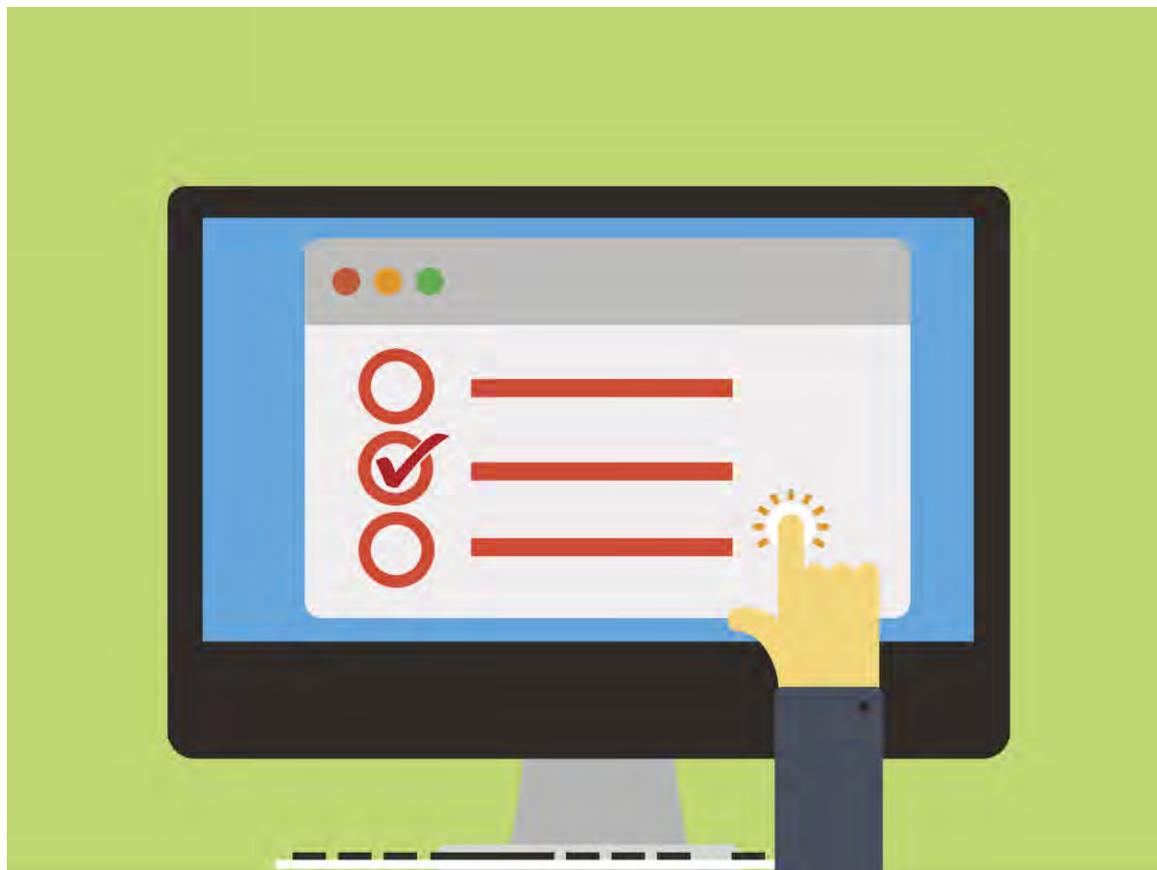


Continue to explore partnerships with nonprofits, private companies, and others to increase service within the county



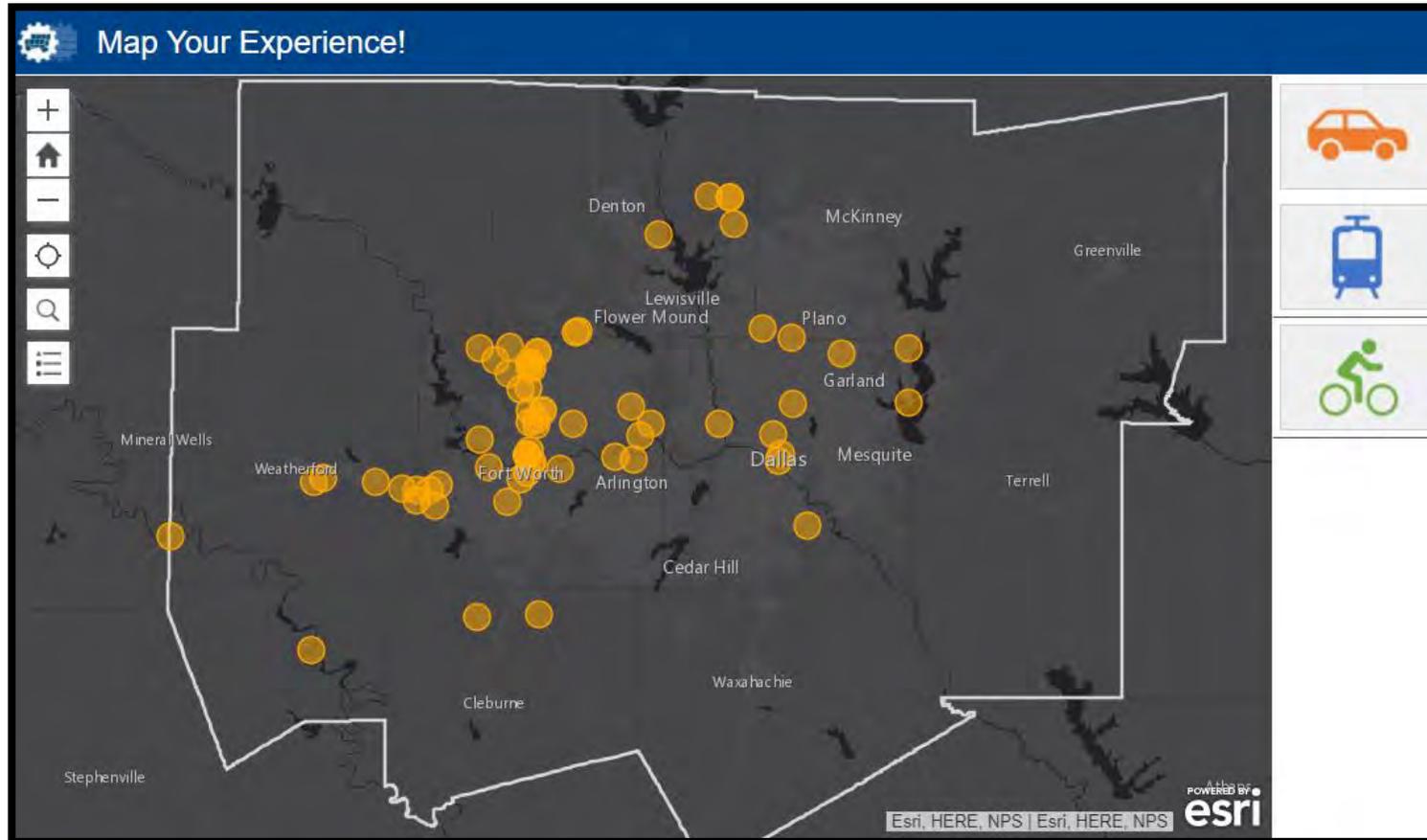
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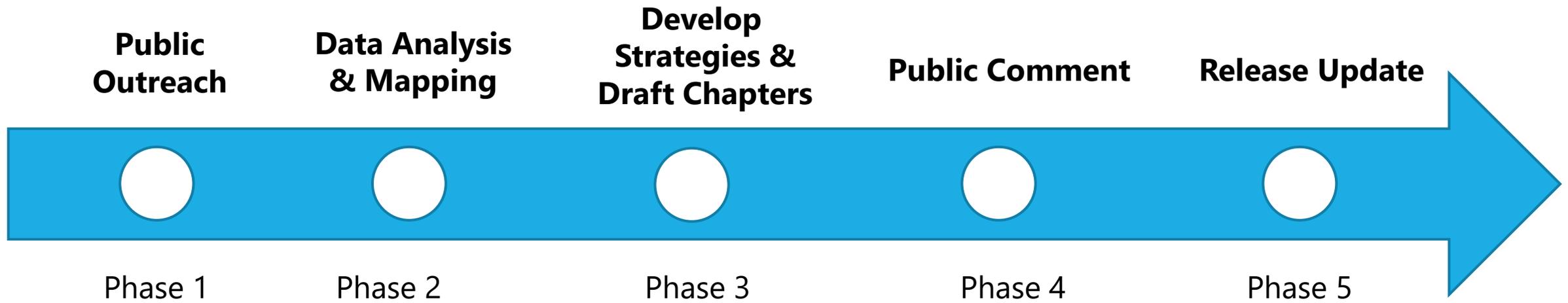
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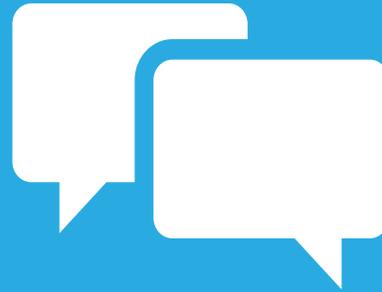
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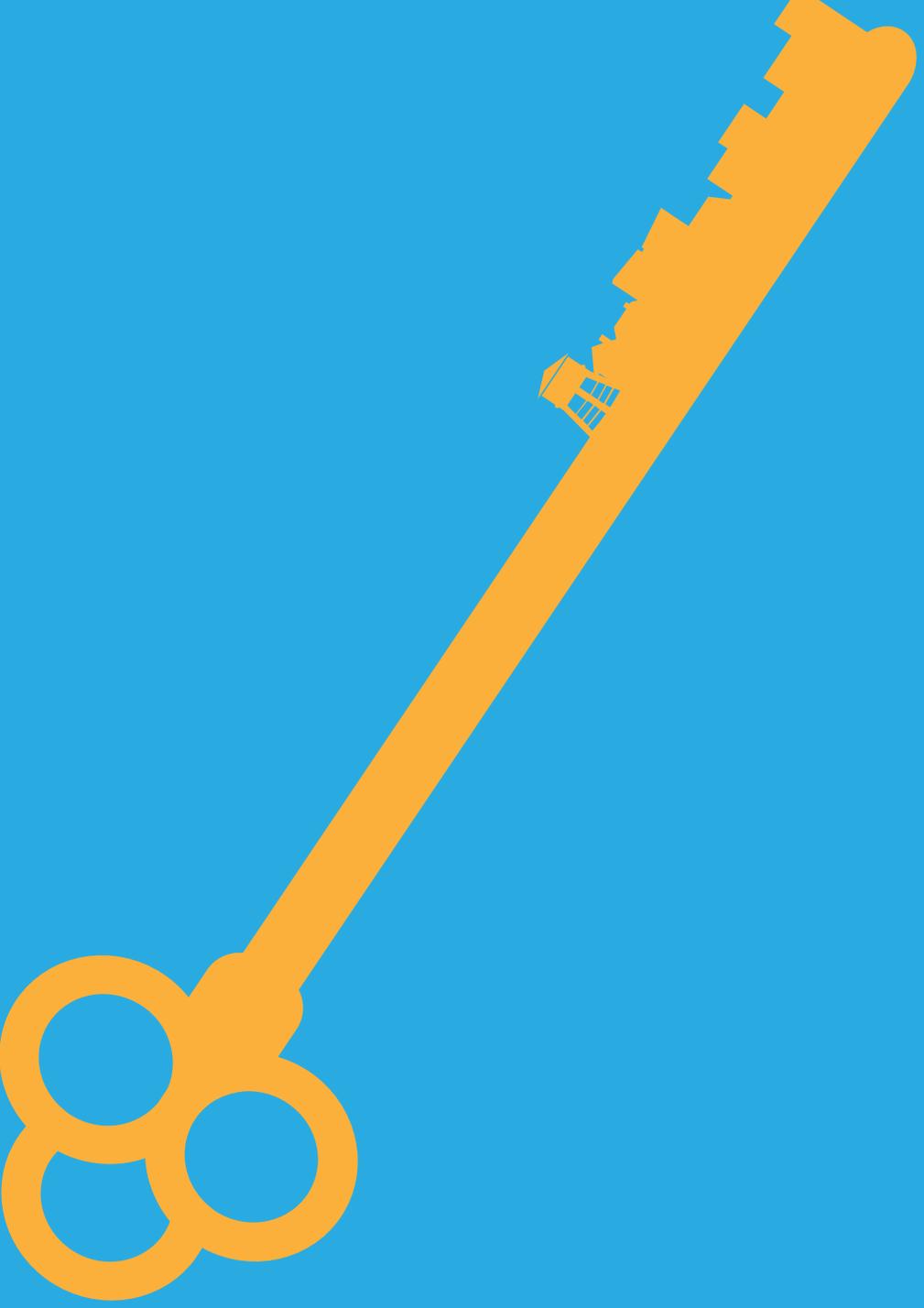
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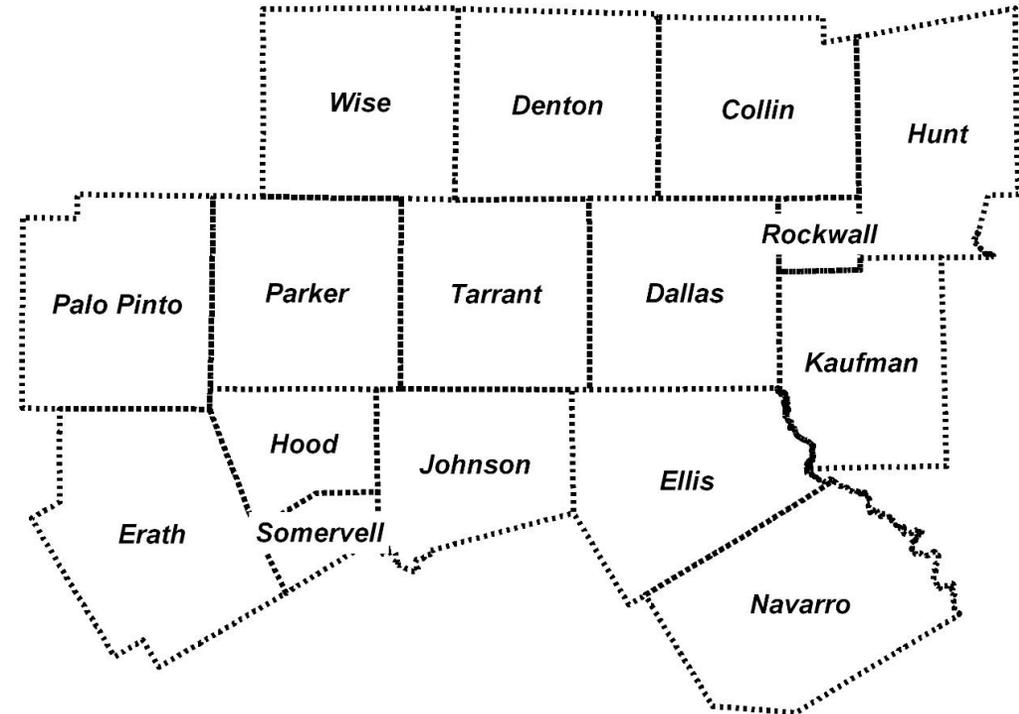
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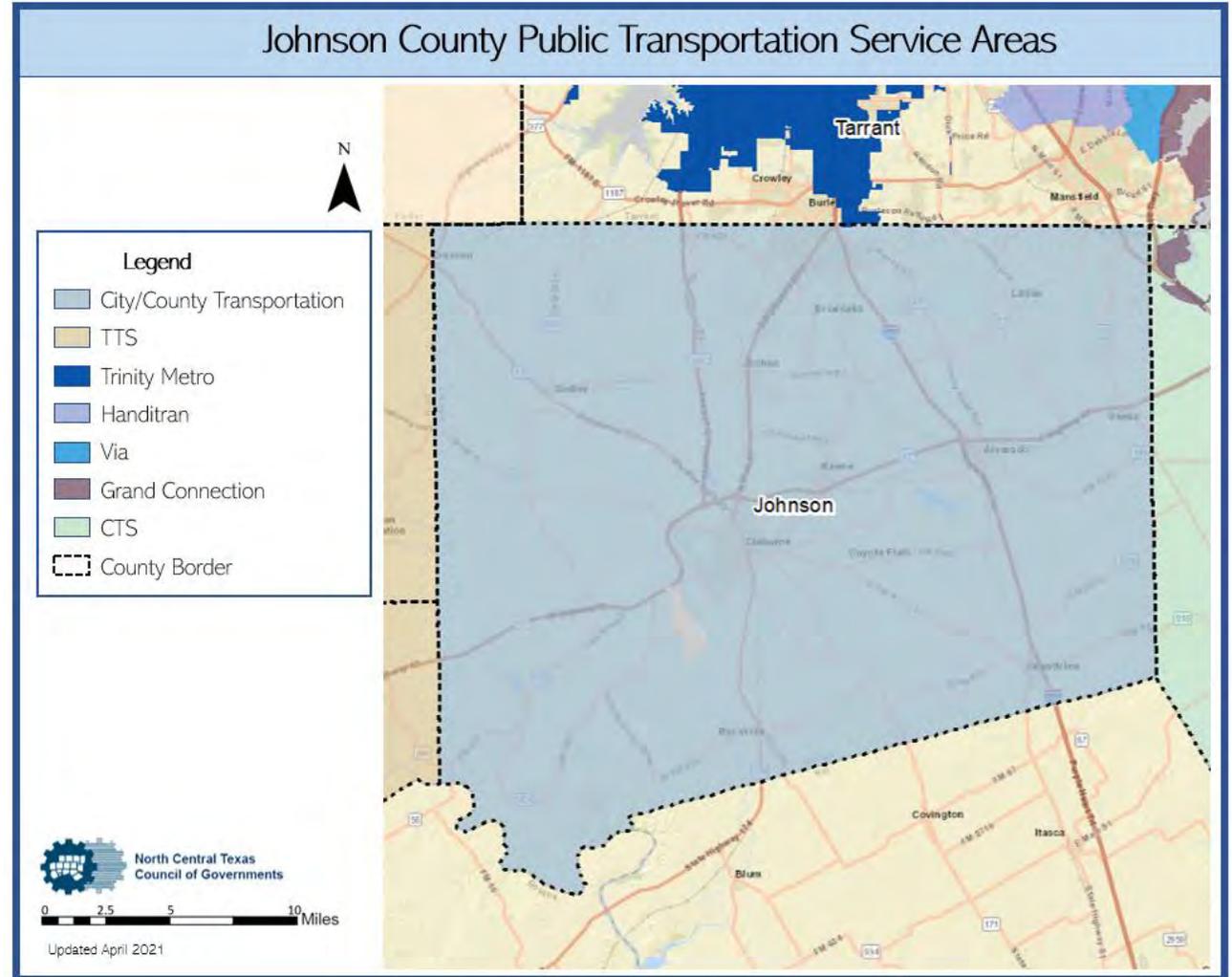
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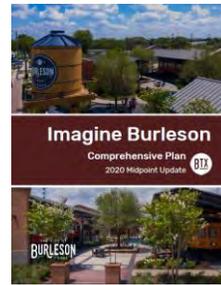


JOHNSON COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

- City/County Transportation
- Texas Kidney Health Care Program
- Trinity Metro Vanpool
- VA North Texas Health Care System Travel Benefits Program
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JOHNSON COUNTY'S EXISTING STUDIES



City of Burleson Comprehensive Plan
(2020 midpoint update)



City of Cleburne Master Thoroughfare Plan
(amended 2017)

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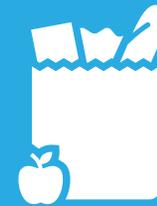
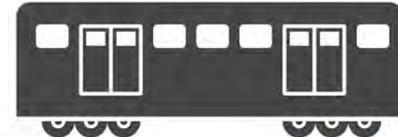




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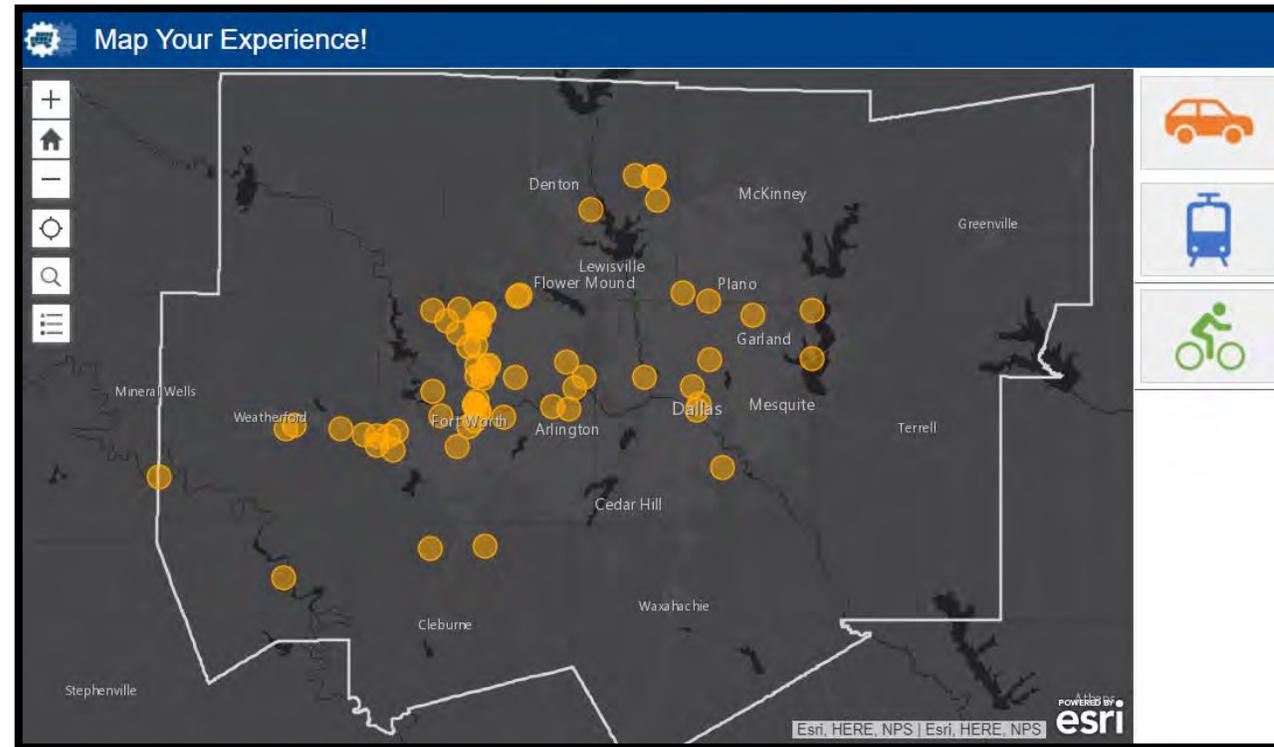
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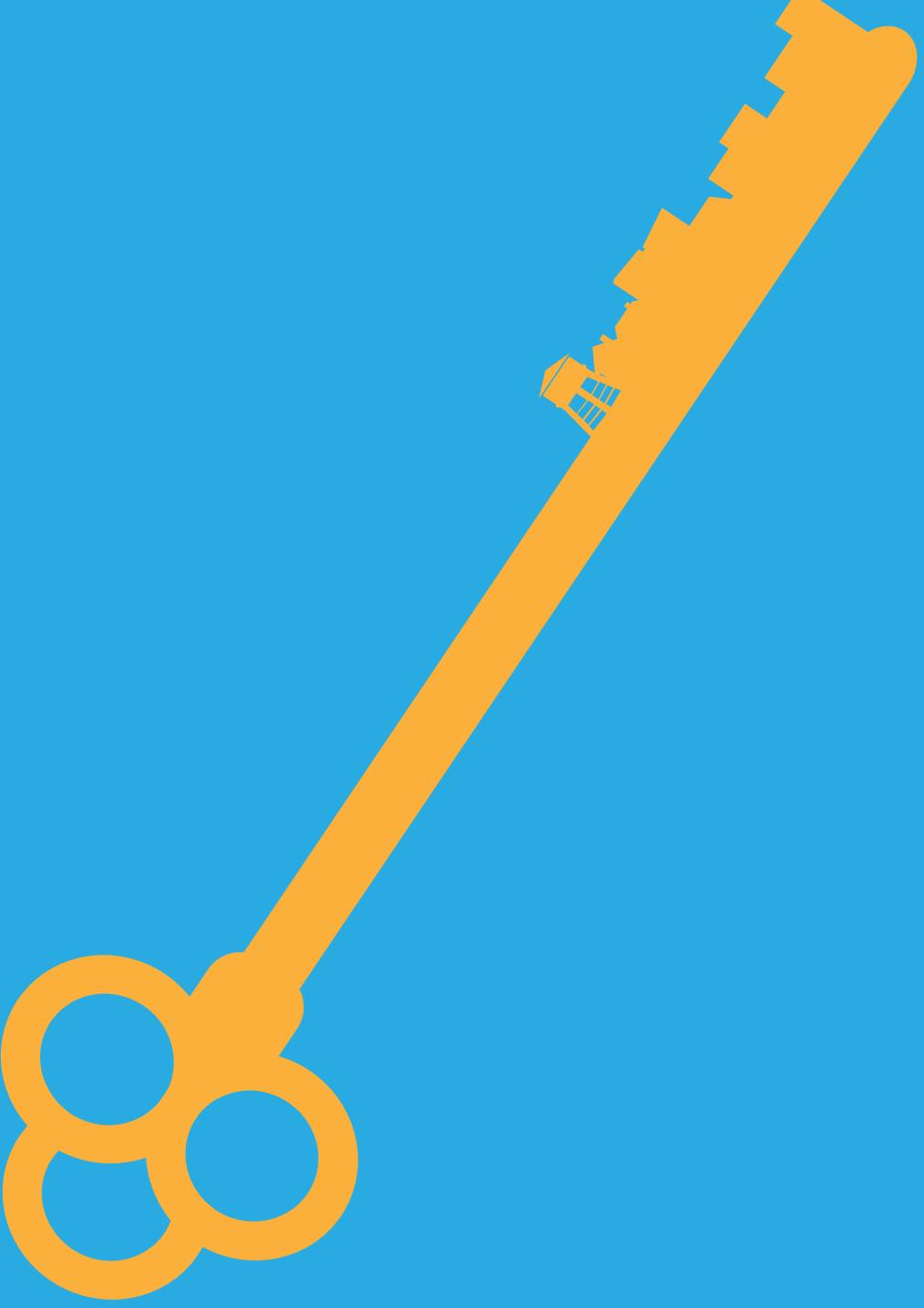
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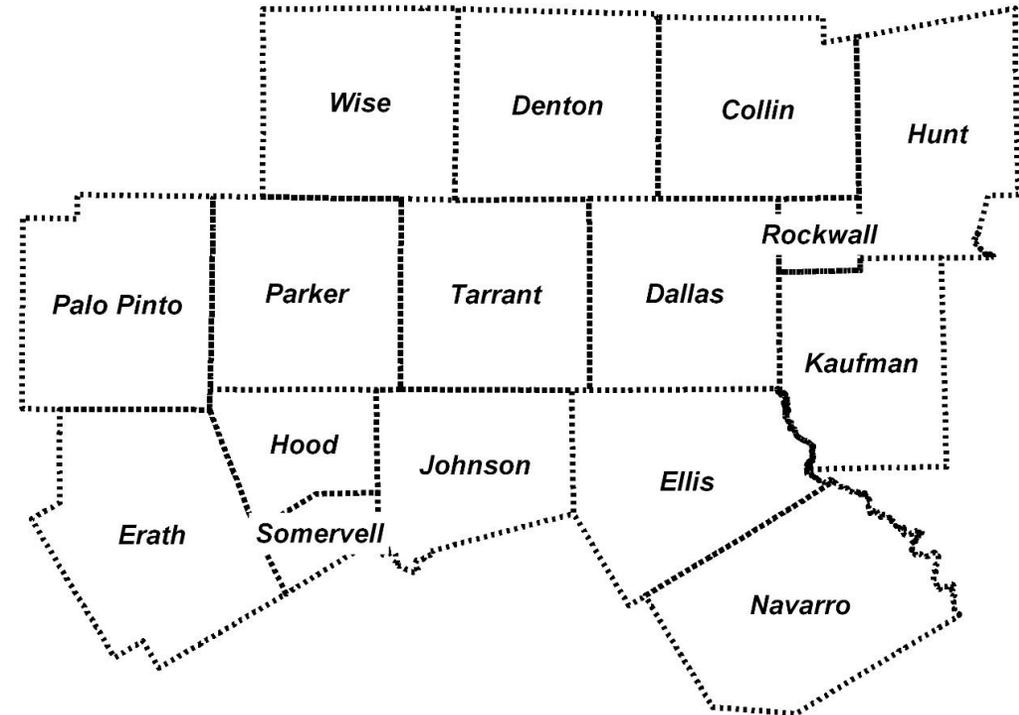
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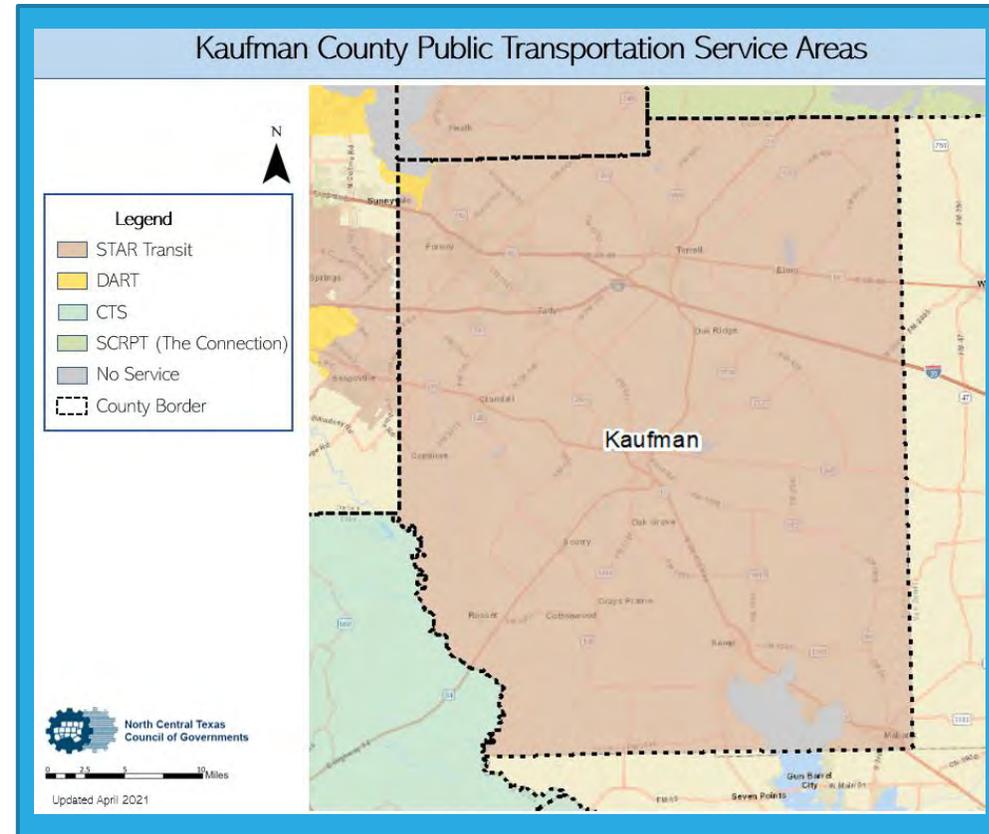
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KAUFMAN COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

- STAR Transit, Dial-a-Ride, & STARNow
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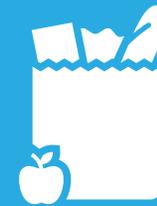
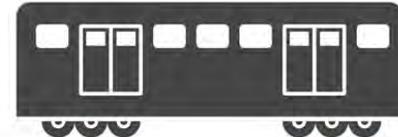




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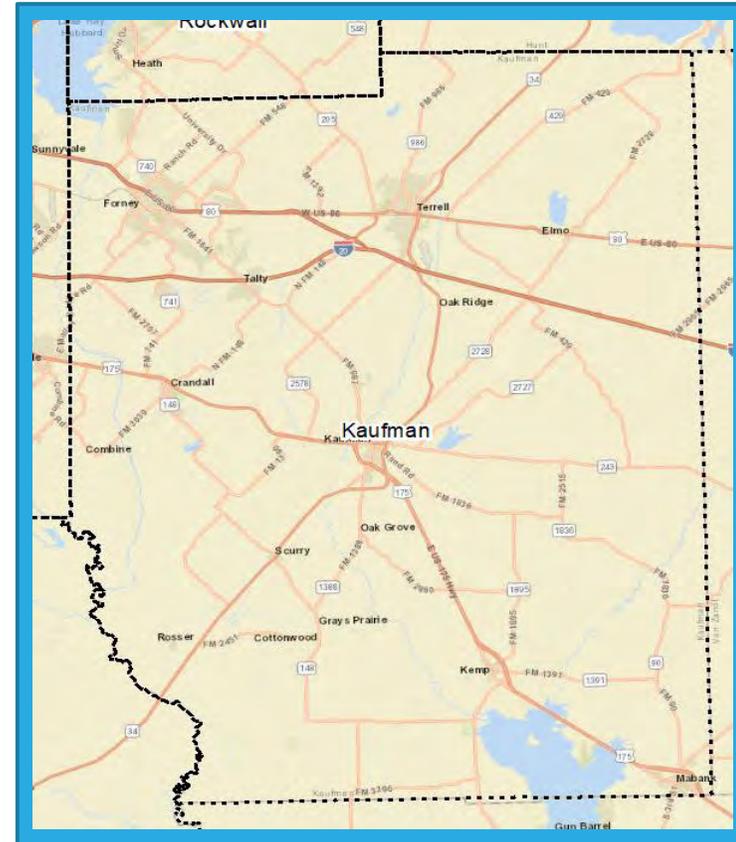
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Increase access to job training and job opportunities, particularly for rural residents and early morning shifts

Add capacity to the existing system by continuing to develop partnerships with local employers, planning for additional services by identifying needs/planning and exploring opportunities to partner with other transit agencies

Increase public awareness of available transportation services by conducting targeted marketing to places such as TXWFC, Lakes Regional MHMR, Health and Human Services, Housing Authorities and other nonprofits

Advocate for agencies to integrate funding sources to maximize efficiency and increase available affordable public transportation

Conduct travel training or train-the-trainer that covers topics such as: available services, how to schedule a trip, rider rules and addressing safety concerns

Continue to conduct driver safety and sensitivity training to improve rider's experience

Work with 2-1-1 at least twice a year to ensure public transportation resources are up-to-date

KAUFMAN STRATEGIES

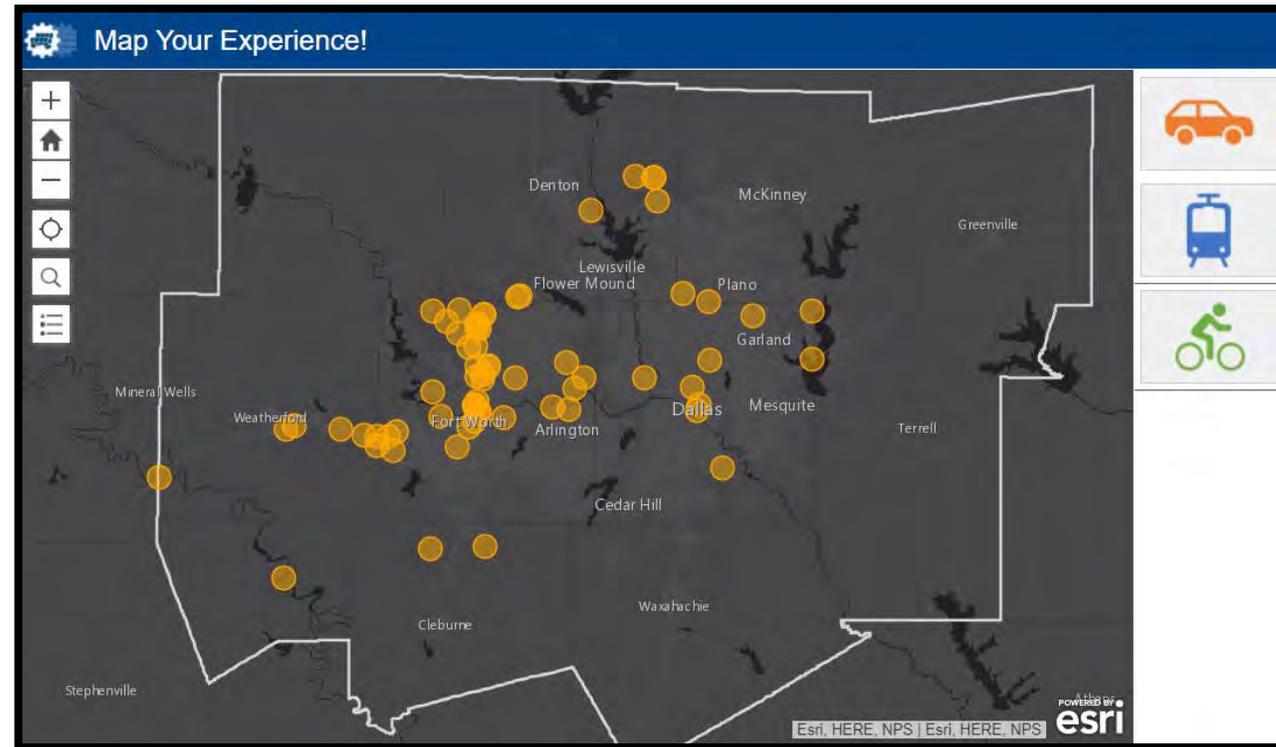
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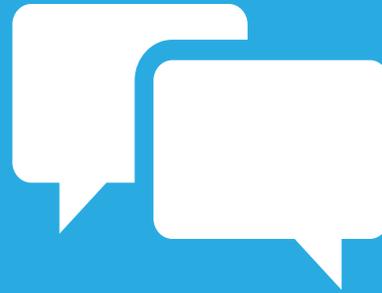
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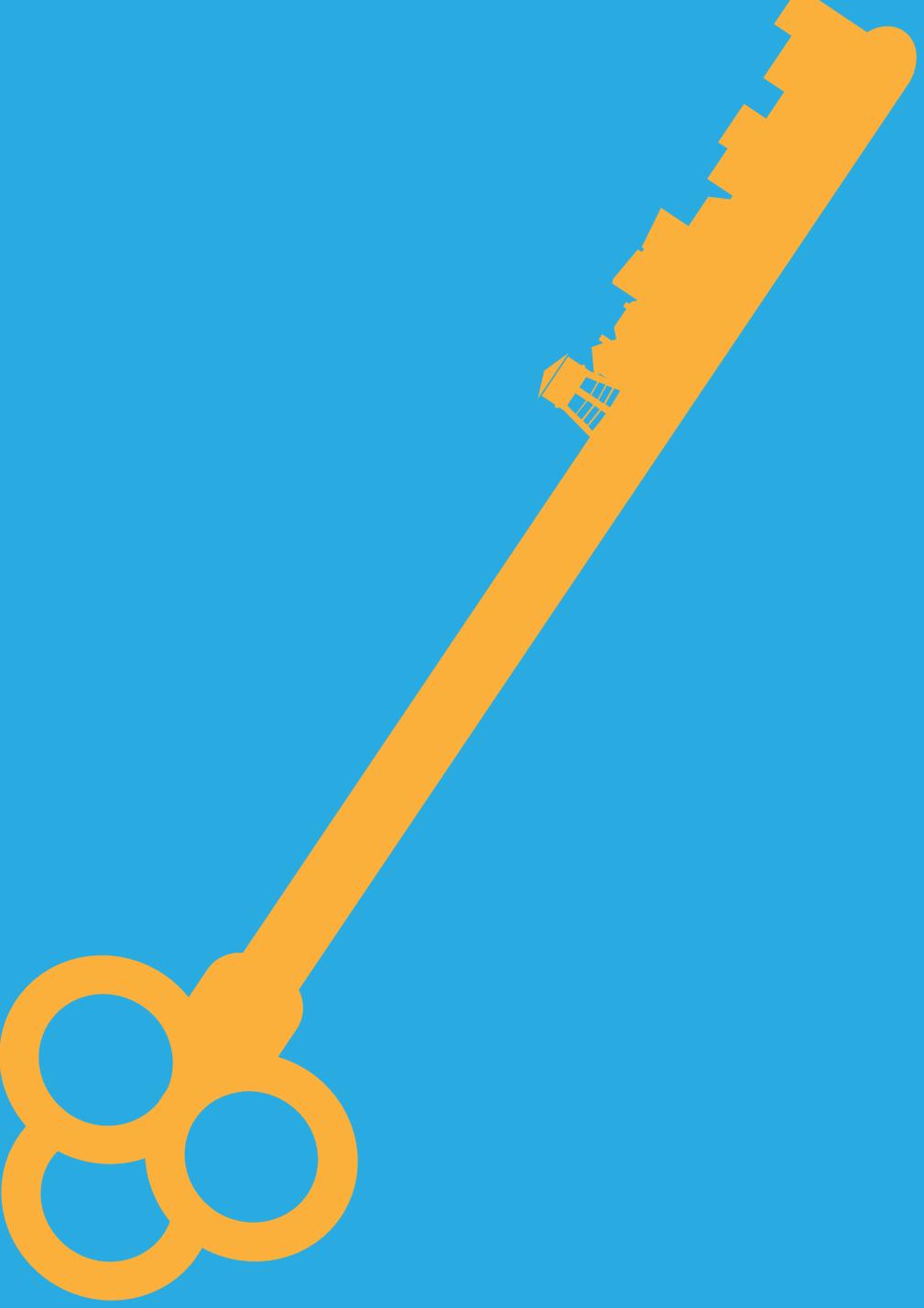
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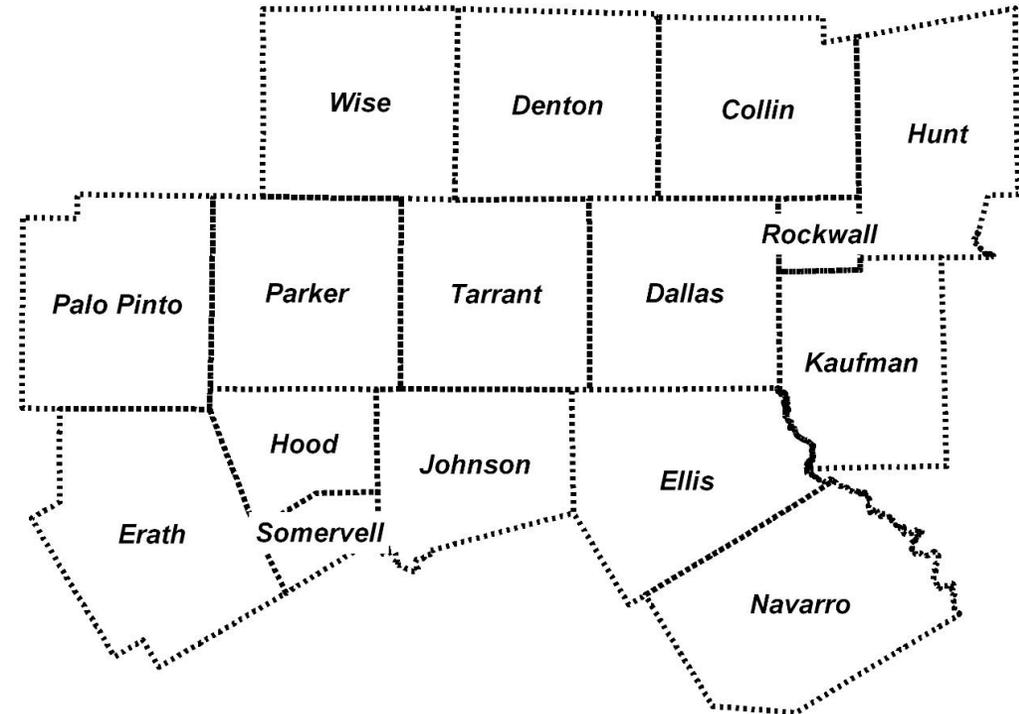
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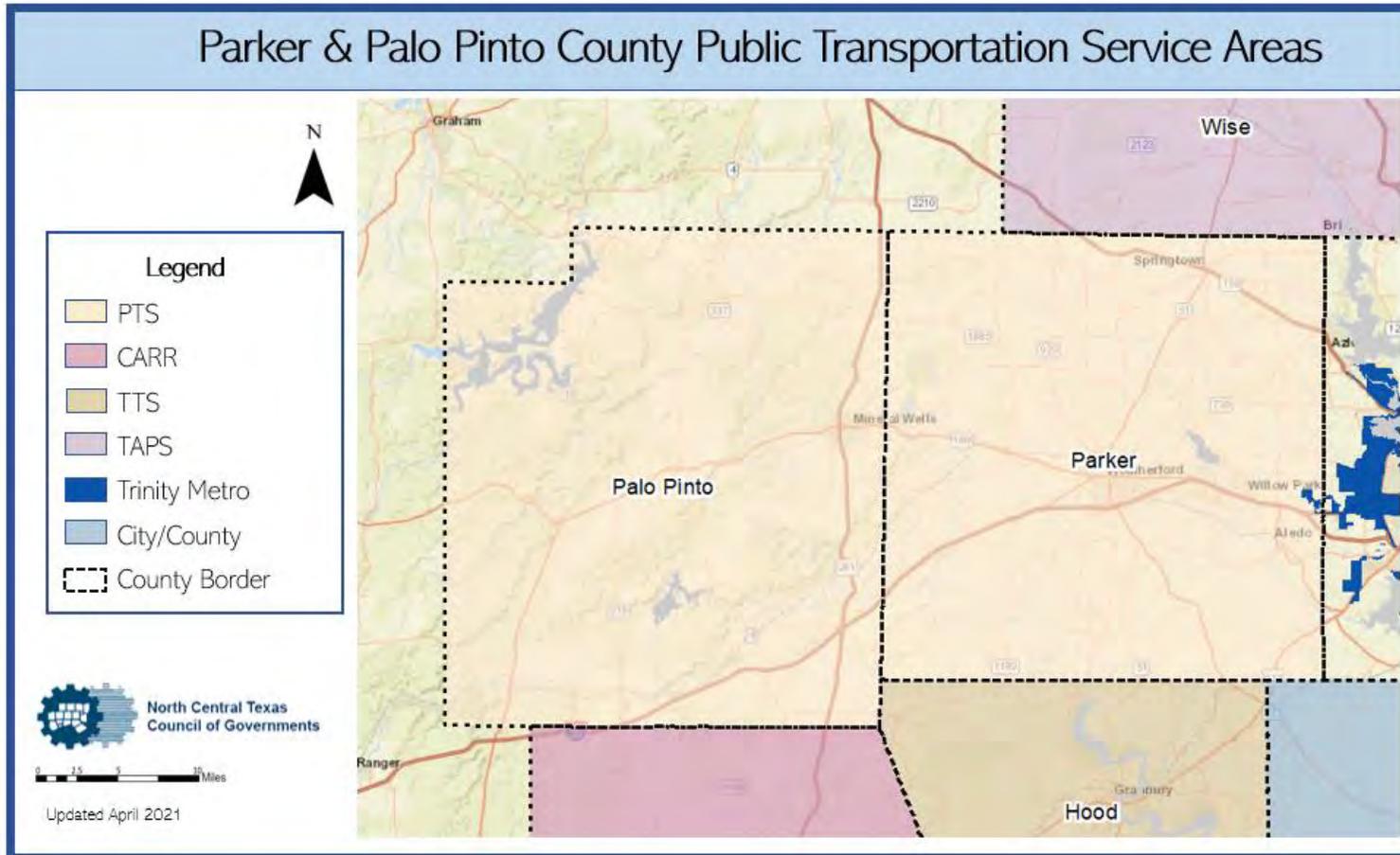


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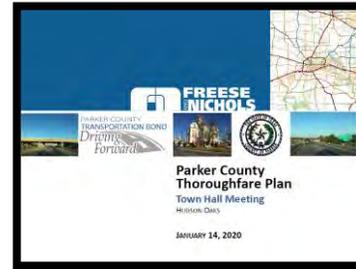


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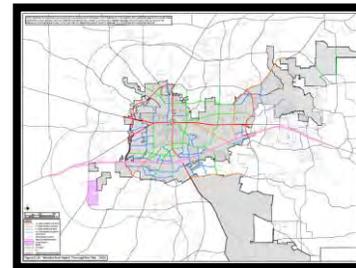


- Public Transit Services (PTS)
- Texas Kidney Health Care (TKHC) Program
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EXISTING STUDIES



Parker County Thoroughfare Plan – 2020



Weatherford Thoroughfare Plan – 2020



Mineral Wells Economic Development Plan - 2019

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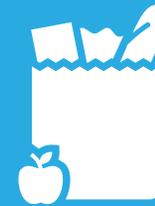
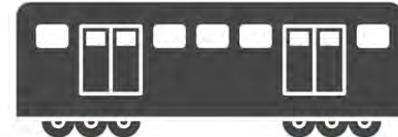




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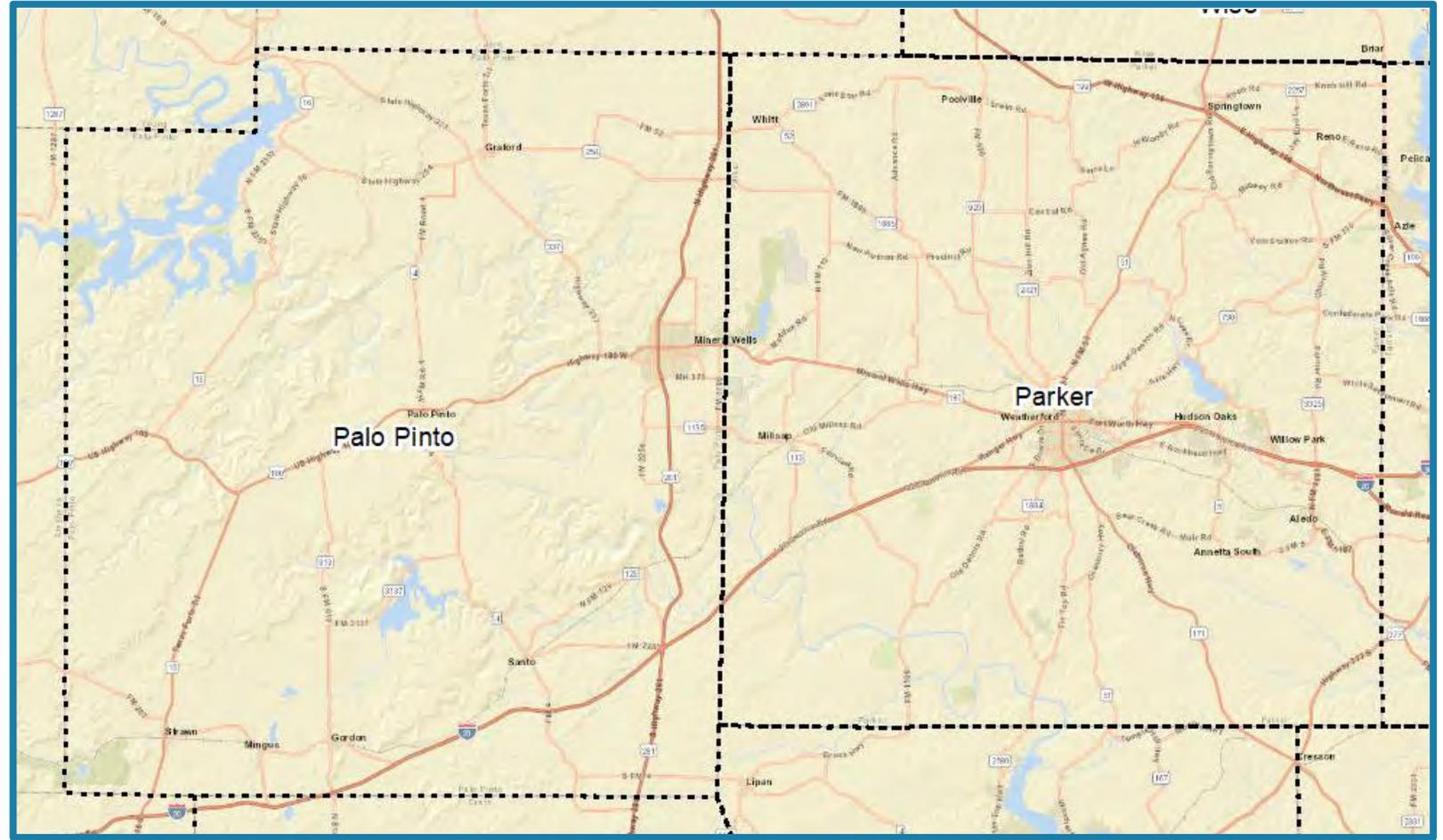
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- **Strategy 2 Improve the ride and wait times** on transit services to increase the feasibility and acceptability of transit for everyday trips
- **Strategy 3 Create and maintain a coordinating committee** to discuss ongoing transportation needs
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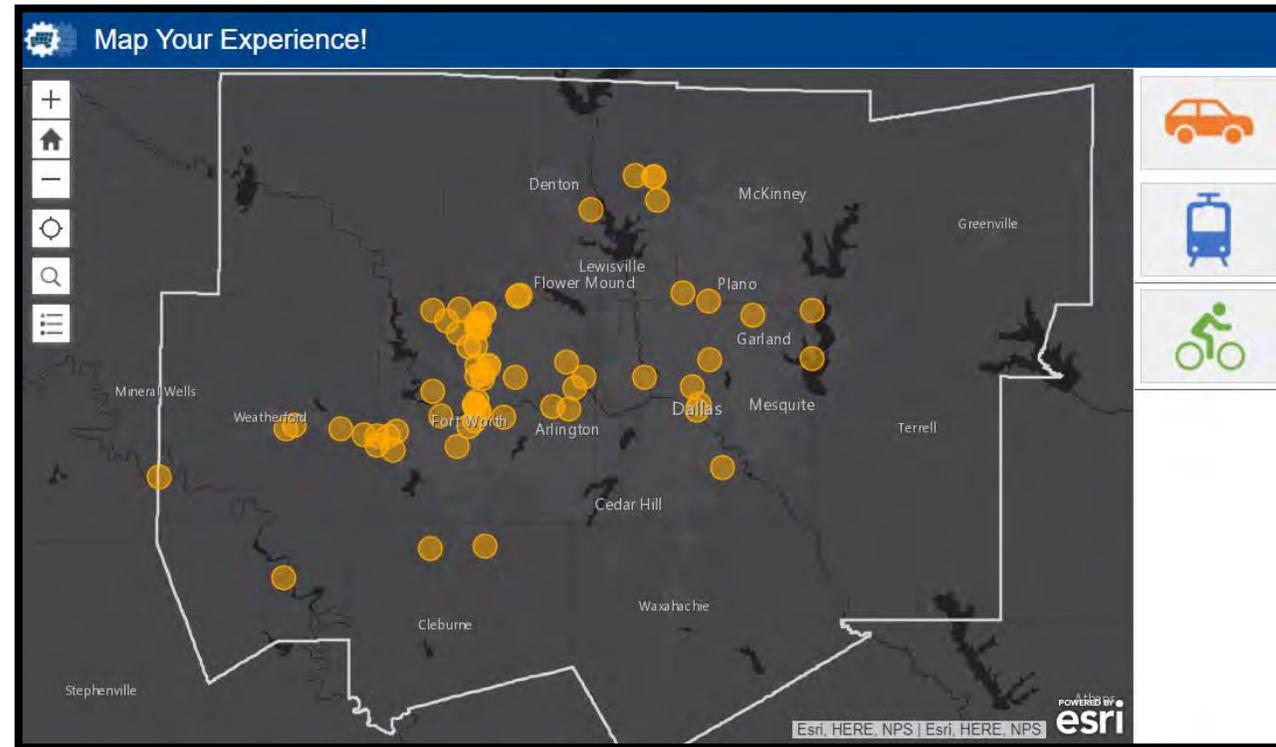
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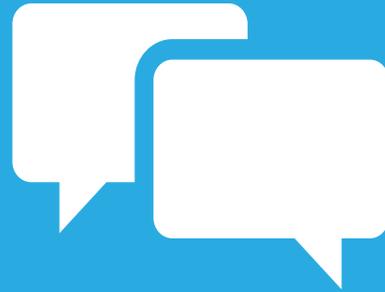
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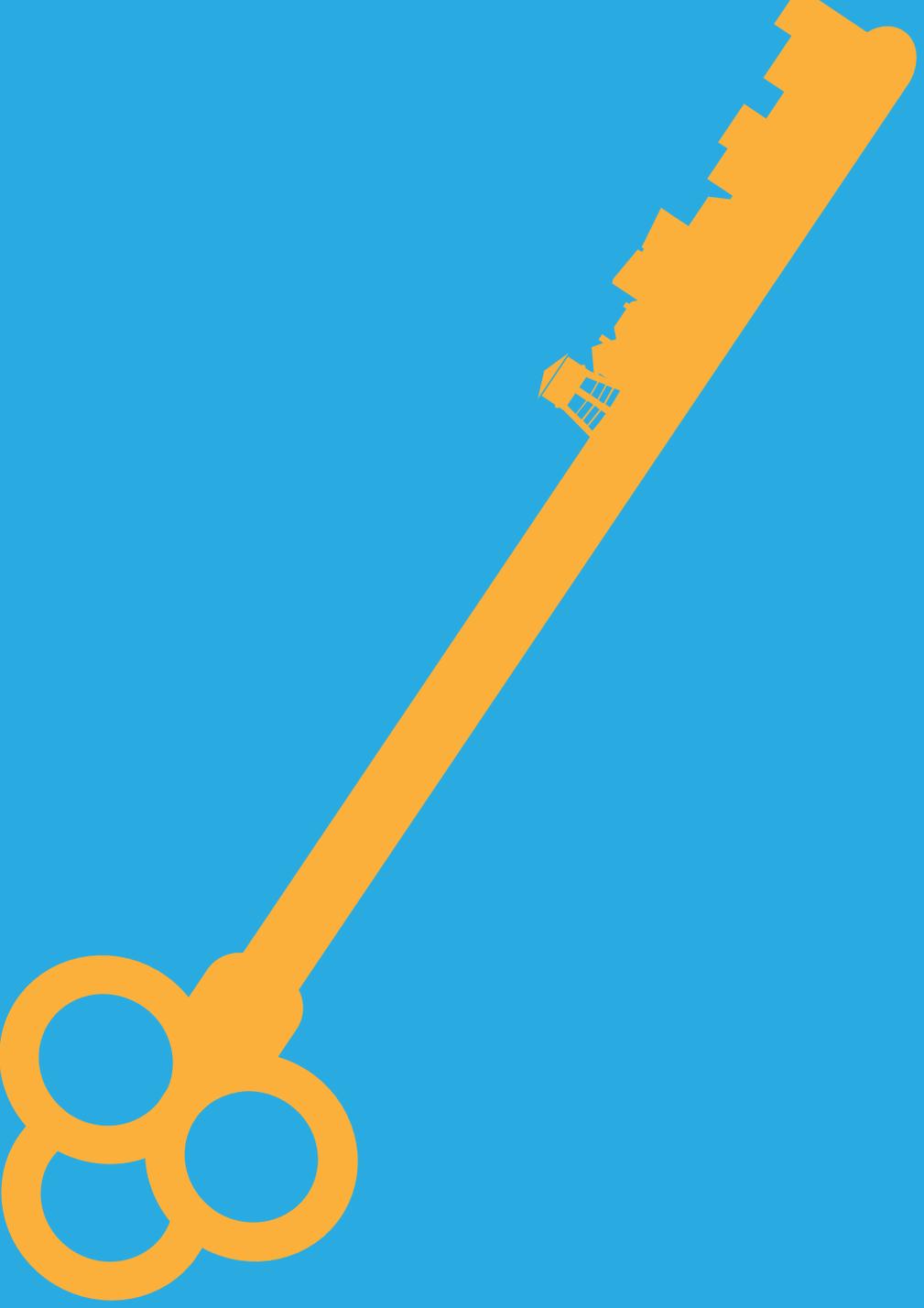


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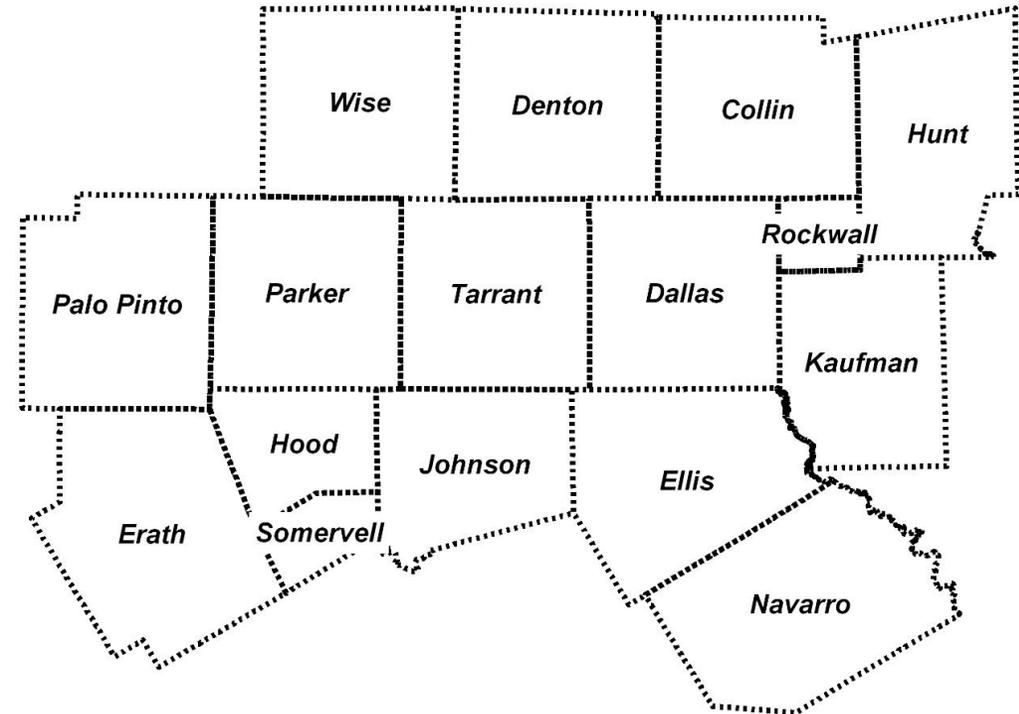
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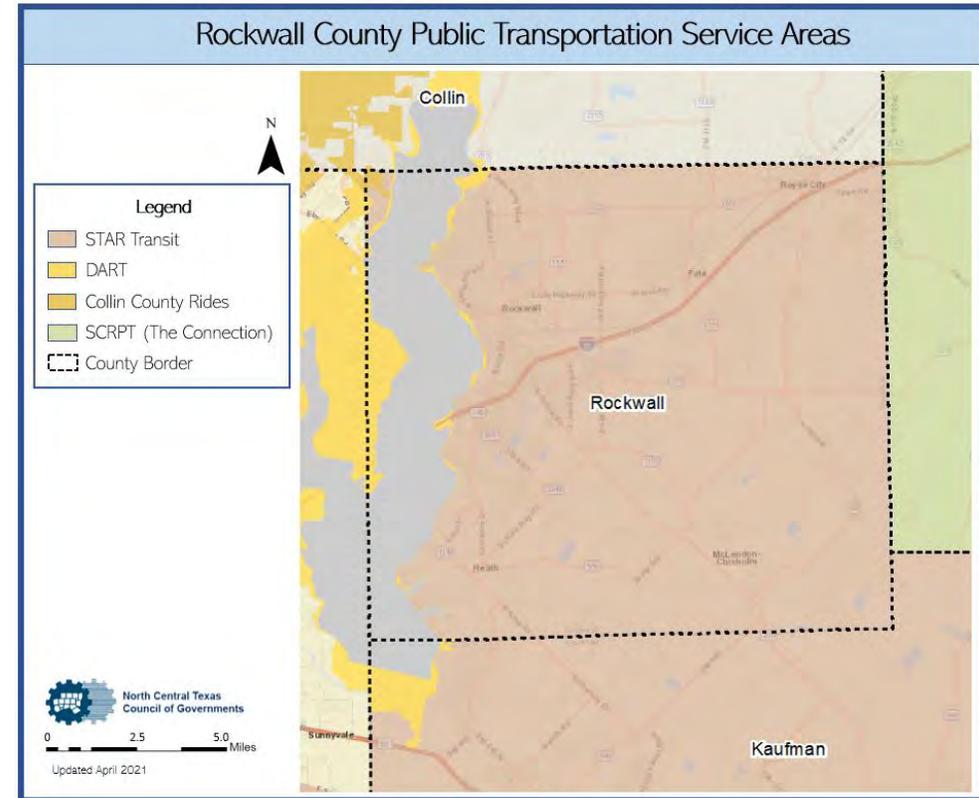
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ROCKWALL EXISTING STUDIES

- Royse City 2030 (2017 Comprehensive Plan)
- OUR Hometown Vision 2040 Comprehensive Plan (City of Rockwall, 2018)
- City of Heath Comprehensive Plan (2018)
- Rowlett Comprehensive Plan (2019)
- McLendon-Chisholm Comprehensive Plan (in progress)
- Forward Fate (in progress)
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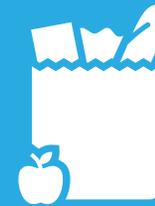
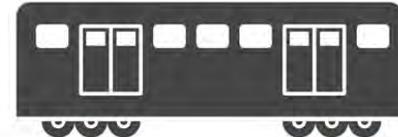




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Improve access to Medical appointments in Rockwall, Mental wellness clinics, YMCA, Grocery stores, and Texas Workforce Commission in Dallas

Create and maintain a coordinating committee to discuss ongoing transportation needs

Explore partnerships to increase the affordability of fares for those most in need

Improve transit connections across county borders, particularly for medical appointments and access to education

Coordinate with local residences, businesses, medical centers, and other organizations to group trips to improve efficiency and the rider's experience

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ROCKWALL STRATEGIES

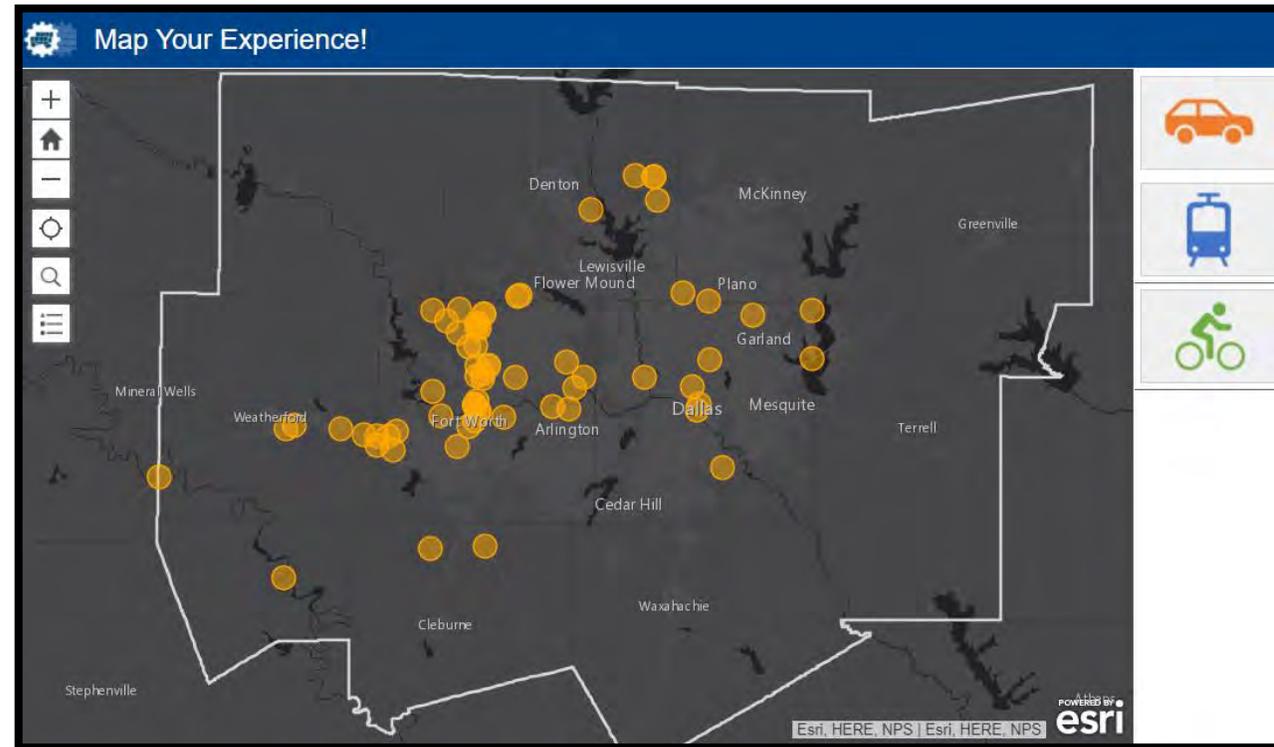
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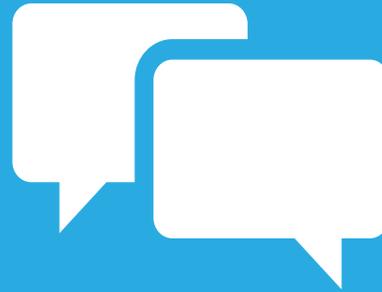
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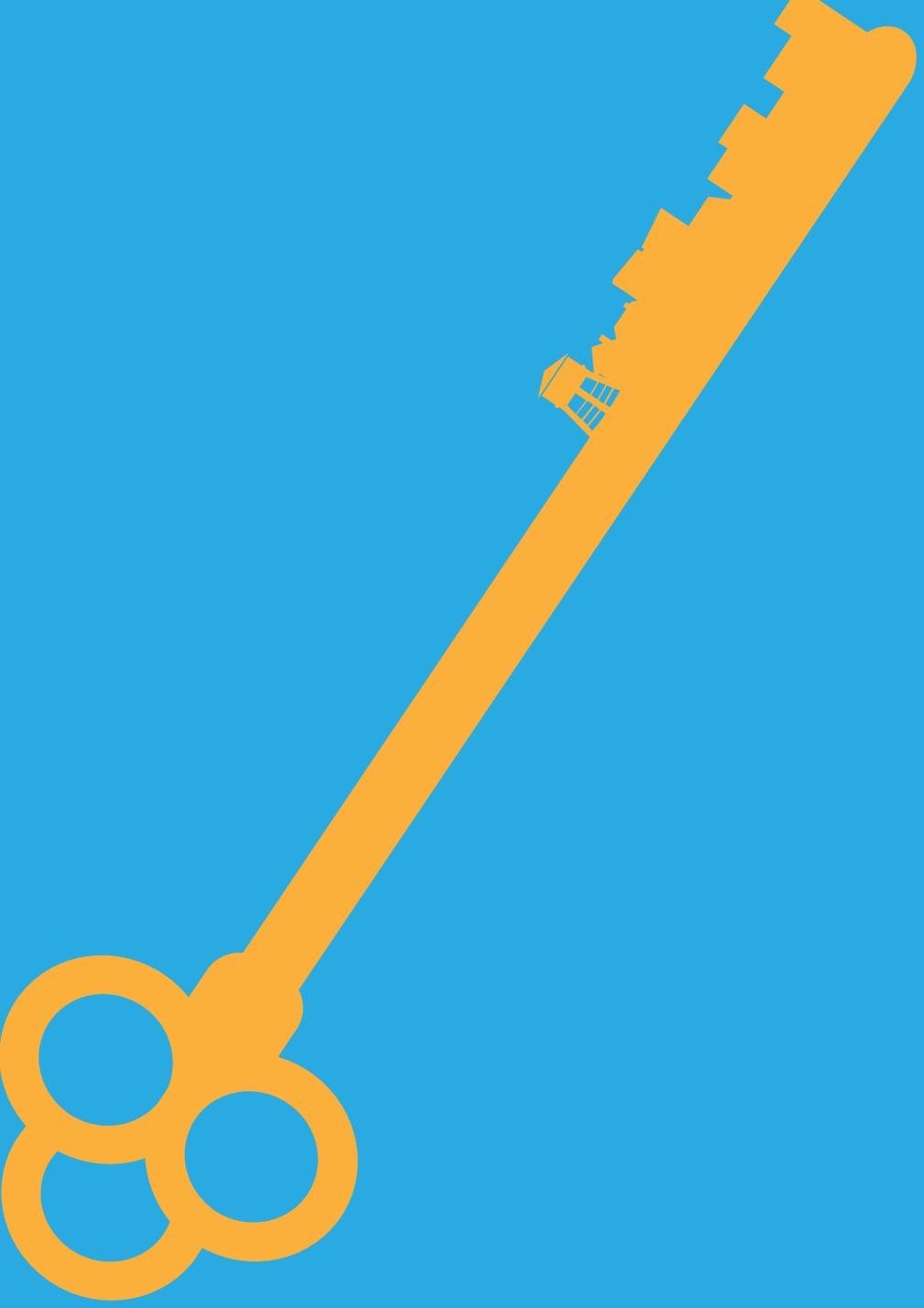


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July 10, 2021
Hosted over Microsoft Teams

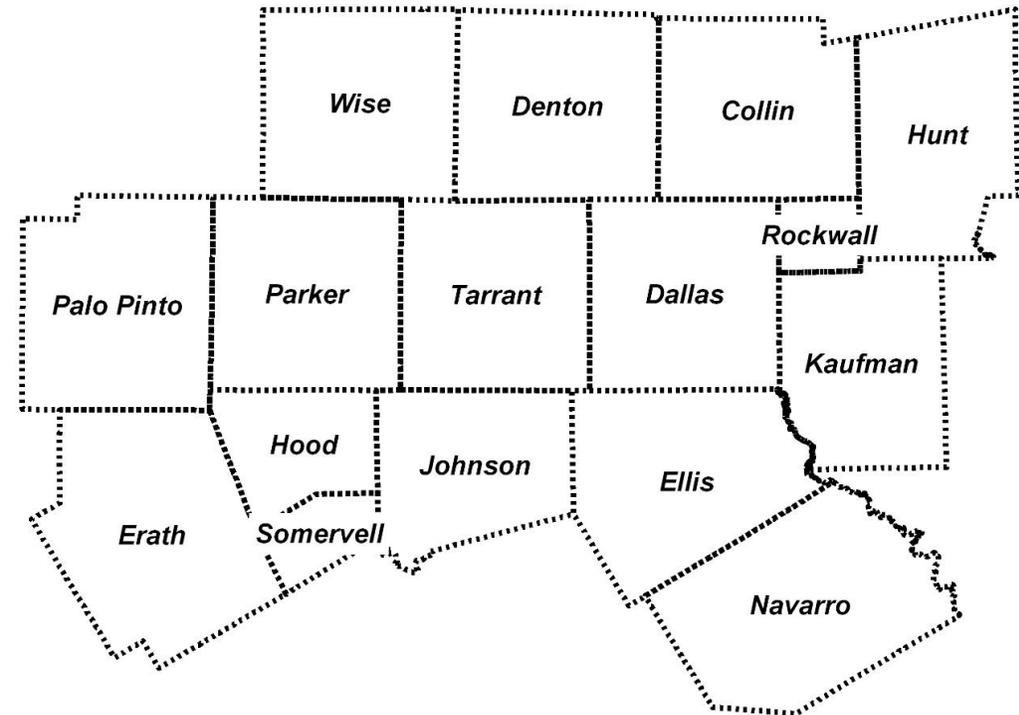
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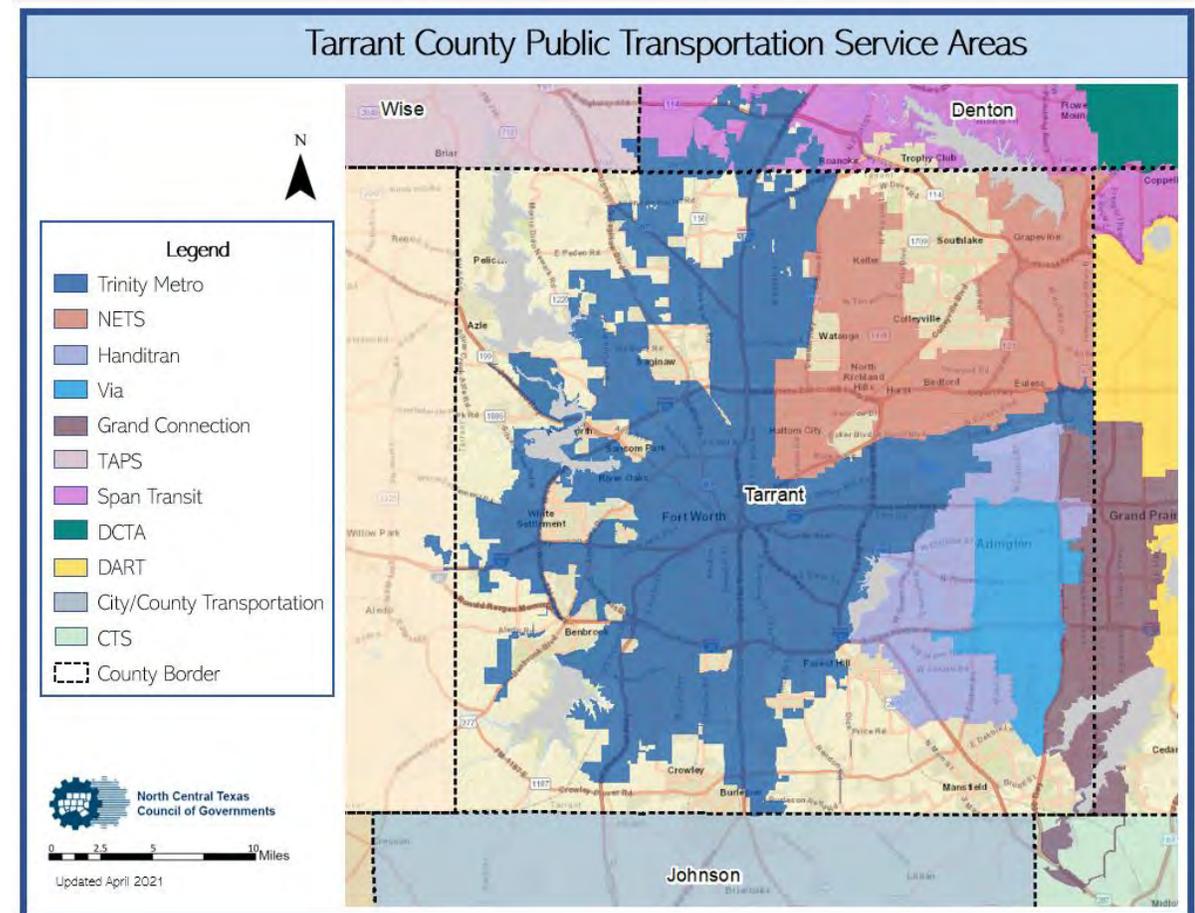
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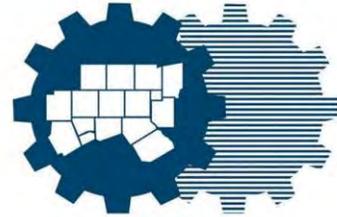


TARRANT COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

- Trinity Metro
- Trinity Railway Express (TRE)
- North Texas Xpress Bus Service
- City of Arlington Via Rideshare & Handitran
- Northeast Transportation Service (NETS)



RELATED PLANNING EFFORTS



**North Central Texas
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- Tarrant County Transit Study (ongoing)
- Mobility 2045, 2018
- Regional On-board Survey, 2014
- A Better Connection, 2021



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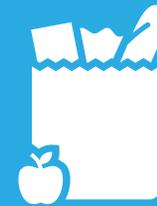
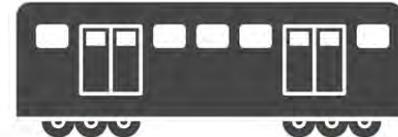




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What are the barriers?

Which potential services are most appealing?





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HOW CAN TRANSIT SERVICE BE IMPROVED WITHIN YOUR COUNTY?

2018 Tarrant County Strategies

1

Increase Affordable
Mobility Solutions

2

Connect
Communities
County-Wide and
Across the Region

3

Expand Public
Awareness, Education,
Skills Development,
and Traveler Support
Services

4

Implement a Holistic
Approach to Wellness
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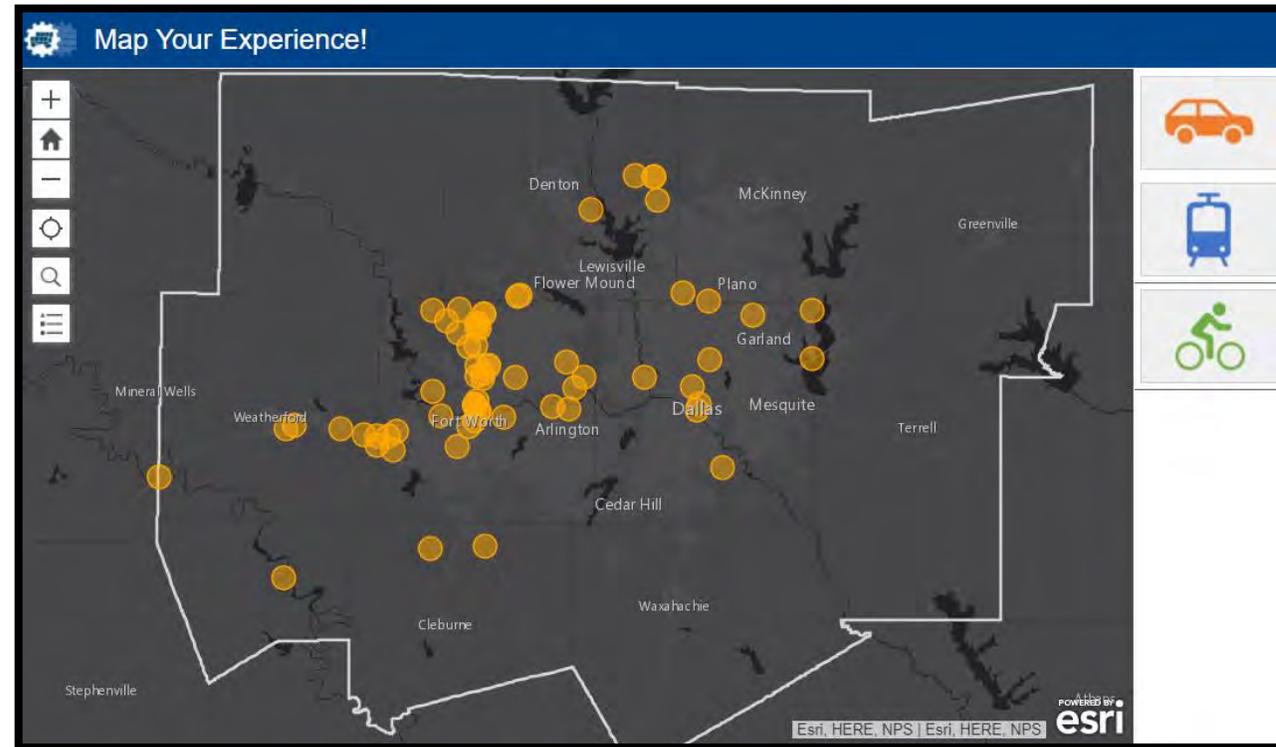
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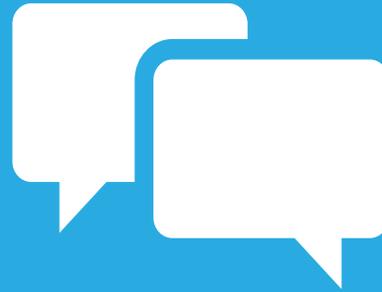
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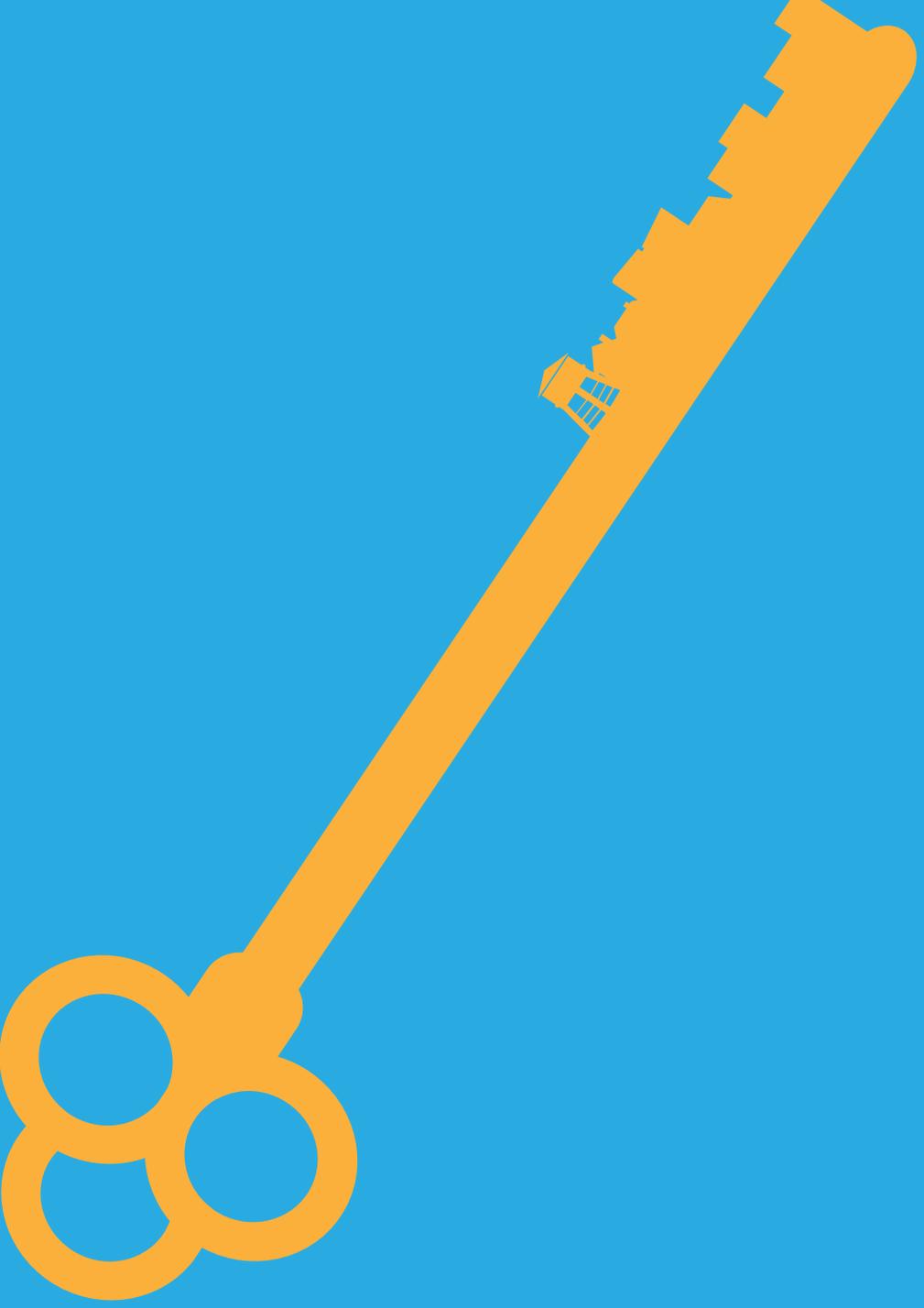
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June 2, 2021 & June 3, 2021
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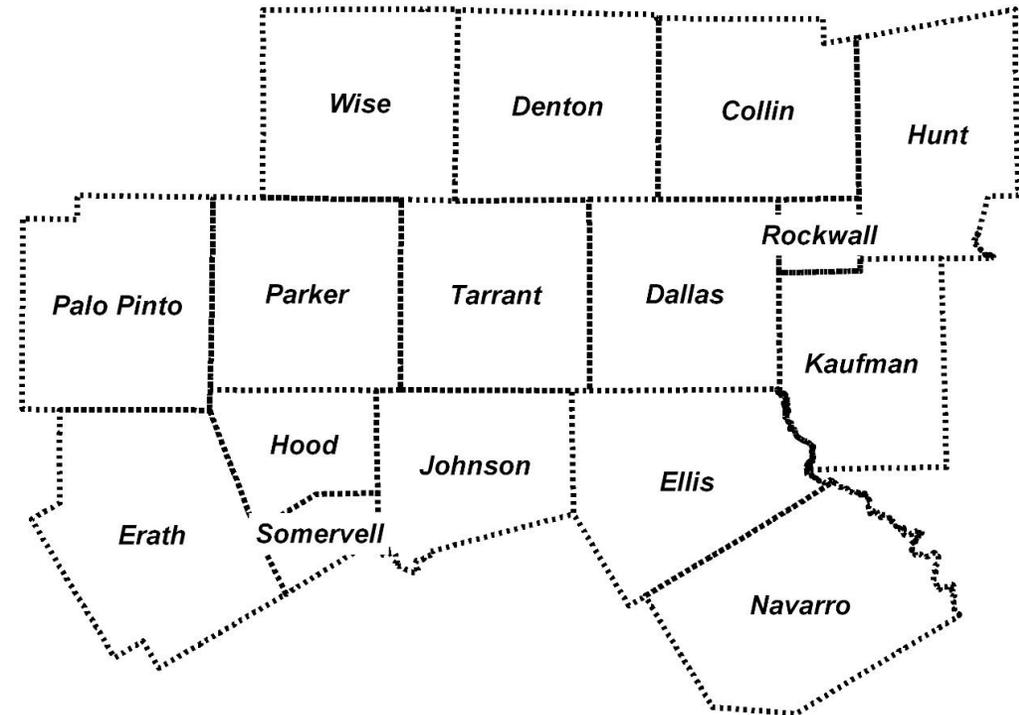
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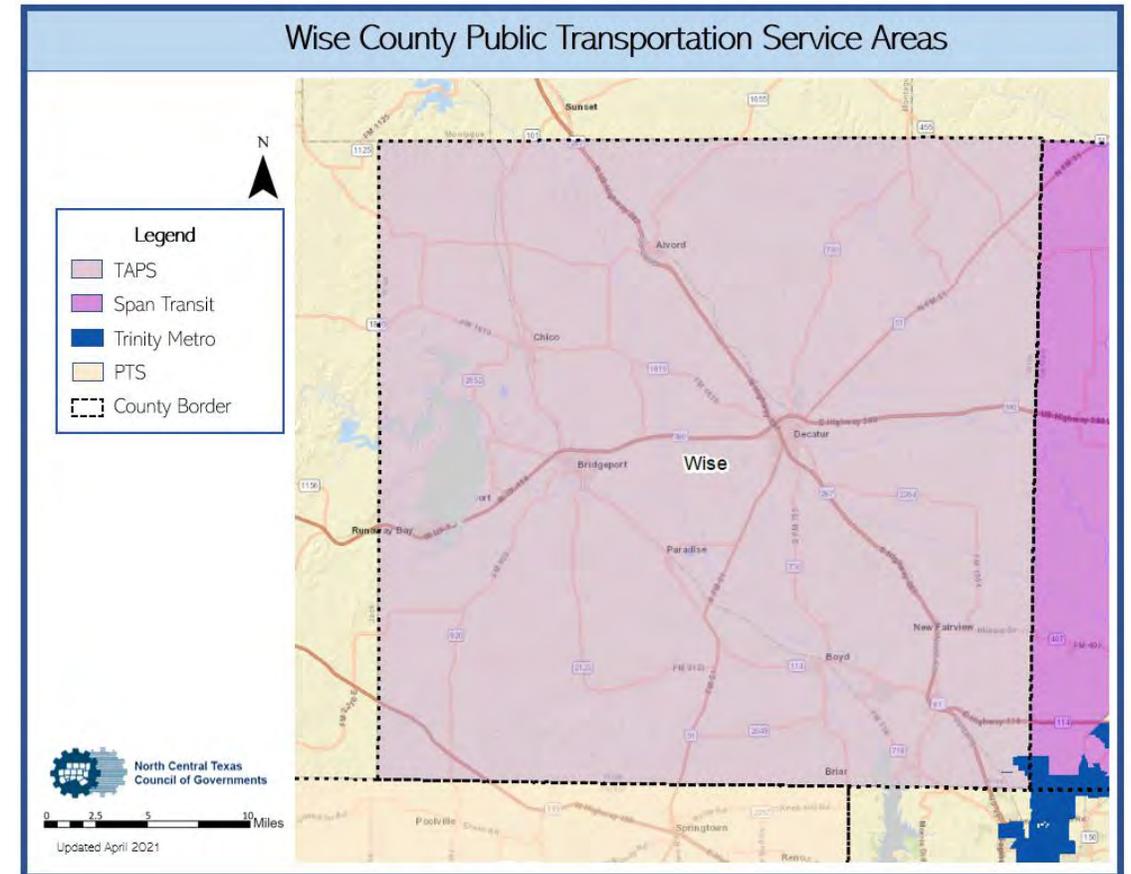
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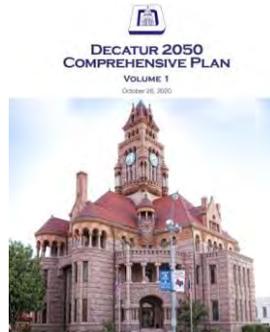


WISE COUNTY EXISTING SERVICES

- Texoma Area Paratransit System (TAPS)
- Texas Kidney Health Care (TKHC) Program
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WISE COUNTY EXISTING STUDIES



Decatur 2050 Comprehensive Plan (2020)



City of Rhome Comprehensive Plan

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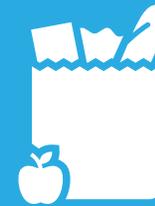
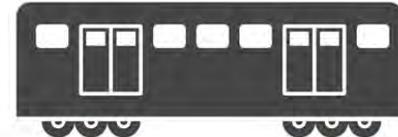




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WISE COUNTY 2018 STRATEGIES

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Strategy 2 Develop partnerships with non-profits, employers, medical facilities, and other partners to improve access to local and regional destinations

Strategy 3 Explore partnerships to provide additional transportation for needs other than medical or work

Strategy 4 Continue to conduct targeted marketing to local agencies about existing transportation resources

Strategy 5 Conduct travel training or train the-trainer

Strategy 6 Advocate for transit agencies to integrate funding sources to maximize efficiency and increase the availability of affordable public transportation

Strategy 7 Establish consistent and effective driver recruitment and retention programs for public transportation services to address difficulties in retaining drivers in Wise County

Strategy 8 Work with 2-1-1 at least twice a year to ensure transportation resources are up-to-date

Strategy 9 Contract with local agencies with a language program to provide translated transit info (over the phone, online, print, etc.)

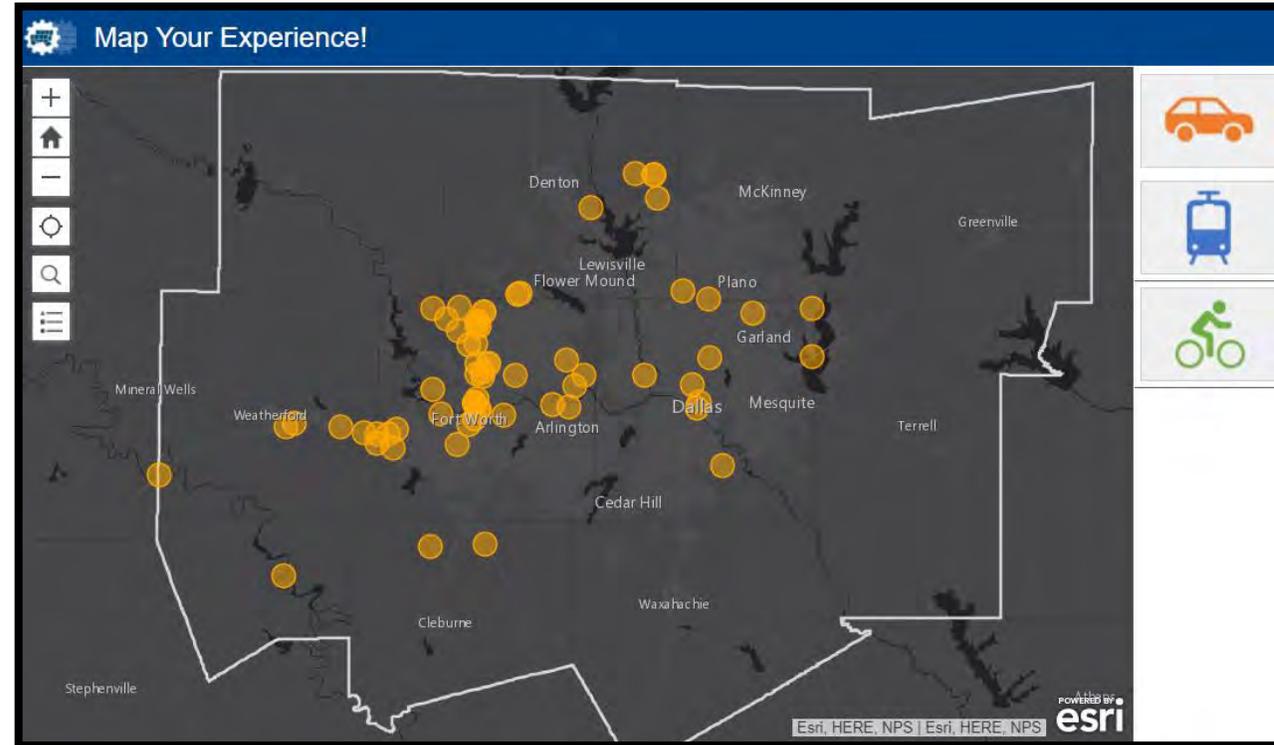
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