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Poll Question #1

How often do you ride transit in Tarrant County?

- Frequently—it’s one of the main ways I get around.
- Occasionally—I’m familiar with the system, but only use it now and then.
- Almost never—I’ve ridden before, but not often.
- Never—I’ve never used public transportation in Tarrant County.
SAG + TAG Roles

Guides the study by developing the project goals, objectives, defines the project outcomes and provides technical advice; while supporting and encouraging participation in the community.
**SAG Representation**

- Arlington
- Azle
- Catholic Charities FW
- Community Enrichment Center
- Crowley
- DCTA
- Everman
- Forest Hill
- Fort Worth

- Fort Worth CoC
- Haltom City
- Hurst
- Grand Prairie
- Grapevine
- Kennedale
- Richland Hills
- Tarrant County
- Tarrant Regional Mobility Coalition

- Tarrant RTC
- Tarrant Transit Alliance
- Trinity Metro
Study Background

The Tarrant County Transit Study will be built from previous studies conducted over the last several years.
Study Background
In the 2018 Access North Texas, the following key strategies were identified for Tarrant County.

- Increase affordable mobility solutions
- Connect communities county-wide
- Expand public awareness, education, skills development and traveler support services
- Implement a holistic approach to wellness transportation
Study Purpose

Identify, analyze, prioritize and develop a comprehensive approach to planning and implementing transit services outside of transit authority services areas.

- Implement Strategic and Near-Term Strategies
- Review Transportation Options
- Identify Funding Options
Study Area

Trinity Metro Service Area

Current Transit Providers

- TEXRail
- TRE
- a-Train
- Denton/Lewisville Connect
- University Services
- North Texas Xpress
- Access

ARLINGTON
THE AMERICAN DREAM CITY

Via Transit

VARIOUS PROVIDERS

VATICAN
Arlington
Access

Catholic Charities

Regional Overview
Poll Question #2

HOW EASY IS IT FOR YOU TO ACCESS TRANSIT IN TARRANT COUNTY?

- **Easy**—there’s a bus stop nearby I can walk to quickly and safely.
- **Moderate**—I can get to a bus stop or park & ride, but it’s too far or unsafe to walk—I’d have to drive or be dropped off.
- **Difficult**—I could get to a bus/train stop, but it takes so long that I might as well have driven.
- **I don’t know** where any nearby transit facilities are.
Study + Engagement Timeline

2020

- Project Management
- Stakeholder Group and Public Engagement
- Market Analysis
- Travel Analysis
- Scenario Development

2021

- Funding Plans (White Paper/Report)
- Implementation Report
- Final Report
Public Engagement

- SAG + TAG
- Virtual Meetings
- Virtual Public Meetings
- Project Website
- Digital Surveys
- Social Media
Tarrant County by the Numbers
Population Growth

Source: Texas County Information Program
Tarrant County by the Numbers
Race + Ethnicity

Source: American Community Survey (2013–2018)
Tarrant County by the Numbers
Journey to Work

Source: American Community Survey (2013–2018)
Tarrant County by the Numbers

Poverty

Source: American Community Survey (2013–2018)
### Tarrant County by the Numbers

#### Home Ownership

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*Source: American Community Survey (2013–2018)*
Tarrant County by the Numbers
Access to Vehicles

Source: American Community Survey (2013–2018)
# Tarrant County by the Numbers

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<td><strong>Southern Suburbs &amp; Unincorporated</strong>&lt;br&gt;(Everman, Forest Hills)</td>
<td>Demand Response Only</td>
<td>Very low</td>
<td>Majority minority</td>
<td>High</td>
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Mobility Options
Poll Question #3

How important is the availability of transit services to the community in general?

- Very Important
- Somewhat Important
- Not Important
Next Steps

Market Analysis

Scenarios

Funding

Implementation
What are the strengths of Tarrant County that can be leveraged for mobility services?
Group Discussion
Question #2

What is working well in Tarrant County that should be continued?
Group Discussion
Question #3

Who is not served well by transit in Tarrant County? Who is not “in the room” that should be?
What do you see as the long-term trends associated with COVID-19, and how will they affect the future of transit?
Open Discussion
Stay Connected

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