

## Transit

### *Policies for County Transit (Highway Department)*

- Review existing County transit services and align with County Vision, Mission and Strategic Goals.
- Expand the service area of the Washington County Commuter Express (WCCE) Bus System.
- Ensure the Washington County Commuter Express Bus System meets the public transit service design guidelines set forth in the regional transportation plan.
- Increase connectivity between the Washington County Commuter Express Bus System, Washington County Shared-Ride Taxi Service, and the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS).
- Washington County should act as a catalyst with WisDOT to enhance public transit access to park-ride lots, and to ensure that all transit stations are accessible by bicyclists and, in urban areas, are served by sidewalks or walkways.
- Promote convenient, flexible, and affordable public transportation options within Washington County and in conjunction with neighboring counties.
- Integrate the regional transportation plan with the comprehensive plan transportation element and applicable capital improvement programs.
- Continue and enhance the operation of the County Shared Ride Taxi Service.

## Transit Programs (Highway Department)

	Comprehensive Planning Elements	Implementation Timeline		County Strategic Goals				
		Long-Term	5-Year	Access	Mobility	Safe/Secure	Economic	Well-Governed
ANCER	Current and Ongoing Operations	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Land Use	Intergovernmental Cooperation	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Housing	Economic Development	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Transportation	UCF	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
ANCER	UCF	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
<b>Programs (projects or services):</b>								
Work with WisDOT and SEWRPC to conduct a feasibility study for viability and effectiveness of the WCCE.								
Continue to work with local governments and businesses to explore utilizing existing facilities and determine the need for additional WCCE routes and park-ride lots.								
Continue to work with WisDOT to relocate or expand park-ride lots to properly accommodate buses and an adequate number of parking spaces.								
Explore technology for the WCCE (GPS, real time- bus location). Explore/add on board camera technology for the Washington County Shared Ride Taxi Service.								
Continue to help develop and support implementation of the County transit development plan.								
Continue to provide technical assistance to employers interested in establishing programs to encourage commuting by transit, carpooling, biking, or walking.								
Continue to study altering or expanding various service components of the Washington County Shared Ride Taxi.								
Explore possible consolidation of the Washington County and Ozaukee County shared-ride taxi service.								
Continue working with SEWRPC and WisDOT on regional planning efforts and to develop methods to promote interconnection between all transportation modes and systems available within the County and the Region.								
Explore possible modifications to hours and frequency of service of the WCCE to encourage commuting and reverse commuting.								
Encourage public/private partnerships to fill gaps between WCCE route stops and employment centers.								
Work with partnering agencies to consider development of shared-mobility program using alternatives to automobile.								
Continue to improve public transportation for people with disabilities to increase access to jobs and community activities.								
Supply the number of accessible shared ride taxi vehicles needed to respond to demand.								

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## Transit (Continued)

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			Well-Governed	Economic	Safe/Secure
Programs (projects or services):					
ANCRA					
Land Use					
Housing					
Transportation	UCF	x	x	x	x
Economic Development		x	x	x	x
Intergovernmental Cooperation		x	x	x	x
Long-Term	5-Year	x	x	x	x
Access	Mobility		x	x	x
Current and Ongoing	Safe/Secure	x	x	x	x
Well-Governed	Economic	x	x	x	x

**Programs (projects or services):**  
 Continue to work with non-governmental organizations (NGO) to raise public awareness of public transit related issues such as people with disabilities who are reliant on public transportation and the benefits of increased use of public transportation.

Continue to work with local municipalities, neighboring counties, and SEWRPC on transportation intergovernmental agreements.

Through updates to the County transit development plan, consider increasing connectivity to other public transportation services or activity centers (major employers and retail/service centers) in adjacent counties.

Continue to work with non-profits, organizations involved in transportation, and other transportation entities (Coordinated Transportation Committee) in implementing aspects of the Public Transit Human Services Transportation Coordination Plan for Washington County.

Seek to develop joint marketing strategies between the County and other transportation service providers in the Region.

Expand the WCCE in accordance with the recommendations of the regional transportation plan, focusing on various service components between Washington County and adjacent counties, including FOXCONN.