

To: Social Service Agencies and Non-Profits involved with Transporting Clients

The Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) would like to extend an invitation to your organization to participate in the development of Transportation Connections. Transportation Connections will be Santa Barbara County’s Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan.

Transportation Connections will help identify the transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and individuals with limited incomes in Santa Barbara County and provide strategies for meeting these needs through improving coordination of public and private transportation services. The plan will prioritize the distribution of funding from the Elderly and Disabled, Jobs Access and Reverse Commute and New Freedom programs within the Federal Transit Administration.



Some funding will be available to meet multiple transportation purposes including but not limited to operation of services to the purchase of radio equipment, vans and buses. However, a plan is required by Federal regulations to insure our continued eligibility for these funding programs. Only projects that are consistent with the plan are eligible to receive future funding.

To determine the best strategies for prioritizing the distribution of funding, SBCAG is seeking input from your agency.

SBCAG and local transit operators are holding a series of regional meetings around the county to elicit your input. Your attendance is encouraged. Please review the meetings schedule below to see the date and time nearest you.

Transportation Connections Meeting Schedule

Date and Time	Region	Co-Sponsors	Location
Monday, July 23 at 1:30PM	Lompoc Valley	SBCAG, COLT	Lompoc City Hall, Council Chambers
Tuesday, July 24 at 1:30PM	Santa Ynez Valley	SBCAG, SYVT	Solvang City Hall, Council Chambers
Wednesday, July 25 at 1:30PM	Santa Maria Valley	SBCAG, SMAT, SMOOTH	Santa Maria City Community Development, Moon Room
Thursday, July 26 at 1:30PM	South Coast	SBCAG, SBMTD, Easy Lift	Santa Barbara County Administration Building, Planning Commission Hearing Room

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Michael Powers at 805-961-8910 or via email at mpowers@sbcag.org.