THE BENEFITS OF GREATER COORDINATION OF TRANSPORTATION

MISSOURI SPENT AT LEAST $88,250,750 ON PUBLIC TRANSIT, HUMAN SERVICE & NON-EMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION IN FY2019. HOW CAN WE GET THE GREATEST RETURN ON INVESTMENT AND PROVIDE THE MOST SERVICE TO PEOPLE & COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE STATE?

IN FY2019:

$61,044,963

Federal

$27,205,787

State

$88,250,750

In spending*

* Total incomplete due to lack of data and different reporting standards

CASE STUDY: COORDINATION DELIVERS SAVINGS, MORE SERVICE, AND ECONOMIC GROWTH IN LAKE AREA

Investing SB40 funds into OATS to launch Tri-County Transit increased ridership by 270% in Camden County between 2016 and 2019 by bringing deviated fixed-route public transit service to the Lake of the Ozarks.

The City of Lake Ozark attributes part of its 8% growth in sales tax revenue to the addition of public transit services.

HOW MUCH DO WE SPEND ON TRANSPORTATION?

Creating a common framework to discuss transportation services and expenses at the state agency level

WHAT ARE THE CURRENT GAPS AND NEEDS?

Using data to identify where gaps in transportation services currently exist by geography and population

HOW CAN WE IMPROVE EFFICIENCY?

Among state agencies to get the greatest return on investment in meeting the mobility needs of Missourians

WHAT ARE THE OUTCOMES OF BETTER COORDINATION?

"In communities where coordination is made a priority, citizens benefit from more extensive service, lower costs, and easier access to transportation." - Federal Transit Administration

- Improved mobility within a community
- Eliminated inefficiencies from a multiplicity of providers
- Limited resources are stretched further through greater efficiency
- Significant reductions in operating costs (per trip) for transportation providers
WHAT ARE OTHER STATES DOING?

The Mission of the Missouri Transportation Task Force is “to provide leadership, promote collaboration, and gather best practices to improve transportation coordination in the state of Missouri in order to enhance the quality of life for all Missourians.”

MINNESOTA

The Minnesota Council on Transportation Access (MCOTA) was established by the Minnesota Legislature in 2010 to “study, evaluate, oversee, and make recommendations to improve the coordination, availability, accessibility, efficiency, cost-effectiveness, and safety of transportation services provided to the transit public.”

Accomplishments:

- Development of Common Standards for state agencies to estimate, report, track and record transportation-related costs.
- Support for the creation of Regional Transportation Coordinating Councils housed within existing community agencies such as Regional Planning Commissions, Community Action Agencies, etc.

GEORGIA

The Georgia House of Representatives established the Commission on Transit Governance and Funding in 2017 to "evaluate Georgia's transit needs and the state's role in planning and execution, including opportunities to improve the management and funding of transit across the state to better serve rural counties."

Accomplishments:

- Creation of state-level policy alignment working group.
- Proposed creation of a new state agency to integrate and coordinate various state and federal funding programs related to rural transportation.

IOWA

In 1976, Iowa adopted “first-in-the-nation” transportation coordination legislation that required state agencies to collaborate when receiving funds to provide transportation services.

Accomplishments:

- Creation of Iowa Transportation Coordination Council (ITCC) in 1992 to bring together state agencies, regional planning commissions, and healthcare stakeholders on a regular basis to discuss statewide needs and opportunities for collaboration, including forming public-private partnerships to provide enhanced services.

OHIO

Lead by the Ohio Department of Transportation, 14 State Agencies are currently working to align policies that will make transportation coordination possible, including: driver and vehicle standards, eligibility and usage policies, and costing standards.

Accomplishments:

- Creation of technical assistance materials to help Regional Planning Commissions better plan for transportation coordination.
- Encouraged the development of a statewide mobility management network with uniform program guidance and reporting.

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