

## Missouri Transportation Task Force

Agenda: Tuesday, March 3, 2020

3:00-4:00PM

Attendees: Chaz Nickolaus, Laura Mueth, Sandy Keyser, Marissa Peterson, Michelle Brown, Jack Gamble, Jill Stedem, Andrea Holloway, Mary Gordon, Cory Schmitt, Nancy Pennington, Ruth Reiter, Mindy Ulstad, Jake Jacobs

- **Updates:**

- **RSMO 226.805: Interagency Committee on Special Transportation**

As of 2/19/2020, MoDOT is still coordinating with leadership regarding next steps towards re-starting Interagency Committee on Special Transportation.

- **Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility (CCAM) Mobility for All Peer Exchange Recap**

Mary Gordon and Cory Schmitt attended Peer Exchange hosted by National Center for Mobility Management in Shreveport, LA. Biggest takeaway from the meeting was the expanding definition of “health” in the context of Non-Emergency Medical Transportation beyond simply getting people to-and-from medical appointments. Social Determinants of Health (SDoH) is causing health professionals to incorporate food, housing, and other factors into conversations about health.

- Transportation data from the Department of Mental Health

- **Next Steps/Discussion:**

- **Communications: Creating a one-page guiding document for the Task Force**

Task Force members agreed a one-page document describing the members, mission, and goals of the Task Force would be beneficial. Cory will work on a draft to share in advance of the next phone call in April.

- **Other Business/Task Force Member Announcements**

- MoDOT Director Patrick McKenna, current president of AASHTO (American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials) testified at the Senate Banking Committee Hearing on 2/25 in support of public transportation:

<https://aashtojournal.org/2020/02/28/transportation-and-public-transit-take-center-stage-at-senate-banking-hearing/>

- Andrea Holloway, Opioid Treatment Specialist with the Department of Mental Health, shared details about the department’s State Opioid Response Grant (SOR) to pay for transportation to and from treatment for eligible participants.

- Broad communication strategies were discussed, including a newsletter of updates about funding opportunities, initiatives, etc.

- There was interest in bringing in guest speakers from around the country to share their insight, perspective, and strategies to improve transportation coordination and accessibility in Missouri.

- Tentatively planning for an in-person Task Force meeting in early May in Jefferson City.

- Next Call: Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 3:00-4:00pm