

## SBCTAC STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Coordinated Plan Request for Proposals (RFP)

**MEETING DATE:** September 7, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM:** 5

**STAFF CONTACT:** Jared Carvalho

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Review and provide comments on the RFP for SBCAG's Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan.

**DISCUSSION:**

In FY 2022-23, SBCAG will hire a consultant to update the region's Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan. The plan will seek to improve transportation access to connect citizens with essential services. The plan has not been updated since 2006 and the update is necessary to improve the efficiency of transportation services offered within Santa Barbara County.

This effort would bring together public transit agencies and human service transportation providers, such as non-profit organizations. The plan will analyze the transportation service network as a whole and identify opportunities for improvement. This effort will perform analysis and recommend coordination of the County's local, regional, inter-county, public and private services. A significant aspect of this plan will be public outreach.

In addition to existing conditions, the plan will assess demographic trends to ensure the region's services are well-positioned to meet future needs. The project will go to great lengths to gather public input from hard-to-reach subsets of the population. The final deliverable of this plan is a written document that can inform future decisions and strategies that best fit the transportation needs of Santa Barbara County's population.

The draft Request for Proposals (RFP) is included as Attachment A. Staff is seeking review and feedback from SBCTAC on the RFP. SBCTAC will serve as the plan's advisory committee and will guide the plan's development and have multiple opportunities to provide input. This plan is being funded via Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant (Strategic Partnerships – Transit) Program with a grant award of \$125, 000 and total project cost of \$140,000.

**ATTACHMENT:**

- A. SBCAG Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan draft RFP (web posting only)