

PEAC

Transit Planning 4 All Grant

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Our Project Goals

Increase representation of individuals on decision making committees

Including people with disabilities in the design and implementation phases of transportation systems

Advocate for opt out SMART bus communities to opt in

Identify and fix transportation barriers in Southeast Michigan

Project Activities

Training and Mentoring

- Cycling instruction
- Travel training in schools
- Training new bus drivers
- Traveling with legislators

Connecting with legislators

- Coffee hours with local representatives
- Public comments at meetings
- Sponsor bills
- Committee testimony
- Writing letters; making phone calls

Project Outcomes

Outputs	Grant Target	Total to Date	% of Target to Date
# of people with disabilities on advisory groups	3	2	66.7%
# of people with disabilities who attended meetings	150	483	322%
# of needs/barriers/problems identified by people with disabilities	10	27	270%
# of solutions identified by people with disabilities	8	15	187.5%

Project Obstacles

PEAC advocates have found they are not included in inclusive planning until after a barrier has been identified

Advocates are working to become apart of the planning processes as well as the implementation phases in transit

- We were involved in the planning of bike share coming to Detroit
- Testing of autonomous vehicles before they hit the market
- Training new bus drivers in the SMART bus system

Project Lessons

Sharing stories is one of our strongest skills - Our advocates have strong voices and can advocate for their independence

Continuous follow-up is the key to true resolutions and change

Building partnerships and allies with other groups to advocate creates a stronger voice

Sustainability

Our work isn't done!!

Continuously identifying and recruiting new leaders in the community

- Developed a transportation advocacy group with students in Wyandotte schools

Our advocates are travel training with legislators

Meeting with local representatives and senators

Discussing and documenting travel concerns

- Issues with mobility management groups in area