COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Innovation in action

Quarterly Update: Q3 & Q4 2017

Regional Transit Committee
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Community Connections Quarterly Updates

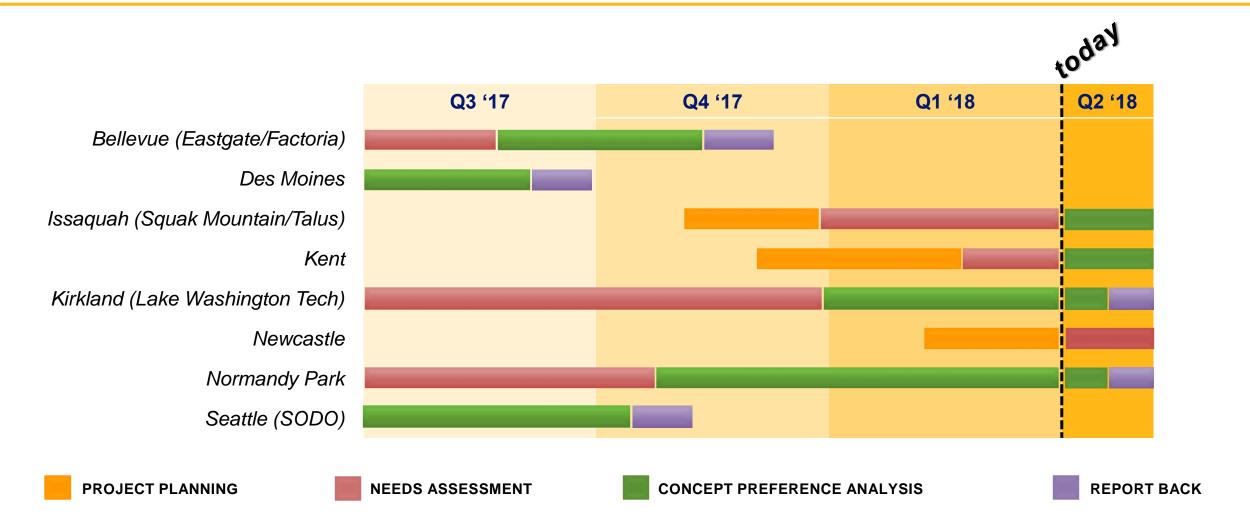
Ordinance 18301, Section 3 (Alternative Services Updates) established a quarterly update schedule for Q3 2016 through Q4 2017.

Each quarterly update provides information on

- Status of community engagement efforts
- Project roll-out highlights
- Performance indicators
- Prioritization criteria evaluation



Community Engagement – Q3/Q4 2017 & Q1 2018





Project Roll-Out Highlights – Q3/Q4 2017 and Q1 2018

	Q3 2017	Q4 2017	Q1 2018
Bothell-Woodinville Community Van		1 st Trip 11/15	
Des Moines Community Shuttle Route 635			Service Launch 1/29
Kenmore SchoolPool	Arrowhead Elementary School engaged		
Kirkland SchoolPool		Finn Hill Middle School, Environmental Adventure Elementary, Henry David Thoreau Elementary, Juanita Elementary engaged	
Vashon Island Community Van		1 st Fare-Free Trip 11/4	1st Full-Fare Trip 1/13



Performance Measurement – Q2, 2017

PROJECTS IN PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT *	PERFORMANCE RELATIVE TO TARGETS	
Black Diamond – Enumclaw Community Ride	+	Exceeding Target
Burien Community Shuttle Route 631	+	<pre>Approaching / at Target</pre>
Mercer Island Community Shuttle Route 630	+	Below Target
Mercer Island TripPool		
Snoqualmie Community Shuttle		*See appendix for performance data through December 2017. Note also that evaluation of these services is included in Metro's System
Snoqualmie Valley Shuttle Route 629		Evaluation report (transmitted in October of every year).
Redmond LOOP		



Prioritization Criteria Evaluation



Program Background

- Alternative Services funded as four-year demonstration program (2015-2018) by 2015/2016 Biennial Budget Ordinance 17941.
- Program work guided by these priorities established by ordinance:
 - Service reduction mitigation 8 projects.
 - Delivery against Five-year Plan 7 projects.
 - Complementary services 8 projects initiated in 2017; additional projects to be initiated in 2018.



Prioritization Criteria - Background

- Per 2015 Service Guidelines Update (adopted June 2016), the prioritization criteria for Alternative Service are:
 - Fixed-route service performed below performance standards
 - Time-based service gaps
 - Geographic coverage service gaps
 - Rural communities or identified emerging markets
 - Market Potential (considers: jobs, students, equity and social justice)
 - Partnership opportunities
- These prioritization criteria were used to develop a four-part questionnaire for the Pilot Participation Application Process conducted in the Fall of 2016 for the first set of "complementary services" projects.



Prioritization Criteria - Evaluation Approach

 Assess 2017 Pilot Participation application process to evaluate prioritization criteria. - Completed

A review of applicants relative to eligible applicants suggested that the application process was less accessible to smaller jurisdictions and unincorporated areas.

Jurisdiction	Total in King County	# Applied	% Applied		% of Total Accepted
Metropolitan Cities	2	2	100%	2	25%
Core Cities	10	6	60%	2	25%
Larger Cities	8	3	38%	2	25%
Smaller Cities	19	4	21%	2	25%
Tribes	2	1	50%	0	0%
Unincorporated Areas	9	0	0%	0	0%

Note: City size defined by PSRC designation



Prioritization Criteria - Evaluation Approach, cont.

- 2. Interview eligible entities to get their feedback on the process Completed
- 3. Adjust the process for 2018 Completed
- 4. Evaluate prioritization criteria following the 2018 process **To Come**

Prioritization Criteria Recommendation

- Recommendation: after 2018 project selection process, make any needed revisions to prioritization criteria along with the upcoming overall service policy updates:
 - Service Guidelines Update
 - Strategic Plan Update
- This process will be introduced at the April RTC meeting.
- Alternative: update prioritization criteria based on projects resulting from the 2017 Pilot Participation application process.
 - Not recommended
 - Process was less accessible to smaller jurisdictions and unincorporated areas



2018 Project Selection Process



Application Process Interviews – Participants

- Interviewed all 15 applicants for 2017 Pilot Participation
- Interviewed 10 eligible applicants who chose not to participate in the 2017 application process

Completed Interviews (25)				Contacted/ Interview not Completed
Bellevue	Mercer Island	Kenmore	Four Creeks UAC	Upper Bear Creek CC
Kent	Redmond	Des Moines	Snoqualmie/North Bend	White Center CDA
Kirkland	Renton	Enumclaw	SeaTac	Muckleshoot Tribe
Newcastle	Burien	Issaquah	Carnation	Snoqualmie Tribe
Normandy Park	Covington	Algona		Duvall
Seattle	Skyway Solutions	Black Diamond	Legend	
Federal Way	Tukwila	Maple Valley	Application selected for 2017 Application not selected for 2017 Application not submitted for 2017	



Application Process Interviews – Preliminary Findings

- Non-applicants, especially small entities, felt they lacked the necessary demographic data, service level data and community feedback to support a competitive application.
- There was not consensus on how to level the playing field for smaller entities.
- All applicants cited a previously identified need or gap as the most important factor in deciding to apply.
- The equity and social justice question presented the biggest challenge for applicants.

King County Communities with Active Projects

Auburn

Bellevue k

Black Diamond

Bothell

Burien

Covington

Des Moines

Duvall

Enumclaw

Issaquah

Kenmore

Kent

Kirkland

Lake Forest Park

Maple Valley

Mercer Island

Newcastle

Normandy Park

North Bend

Redmond

Sammamish

Seattle

Shoreline

Snoqualmie

Woodinville

2018 Target Jurisdictions

- 1. ALGONA
- 2. BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
- 3. CARNATION
- 4. CLYDE HILL
- 5. FEDERAL WAY
- 6. HUNTS POINT
- 7. MEDINA
- 8. MILTON
- 9. PACIFIC
- 10. RENTON
- 11. SEATAC
- 12. SKYKOMISH
- 13. TUKWILA
- **14. YARROW POINT**



2018 Project Selection Process

Process adjusted for 2018 participation:

- Metro staff to approach communities that have not yet formally engaged with the Community Connections program the week of March 12th to gauge interest in pursuing a project in 2018.
- Work to start on two new projects in early May 2018, with new projects starting on a staggered basis throughout remainder of 2018.



Questions?

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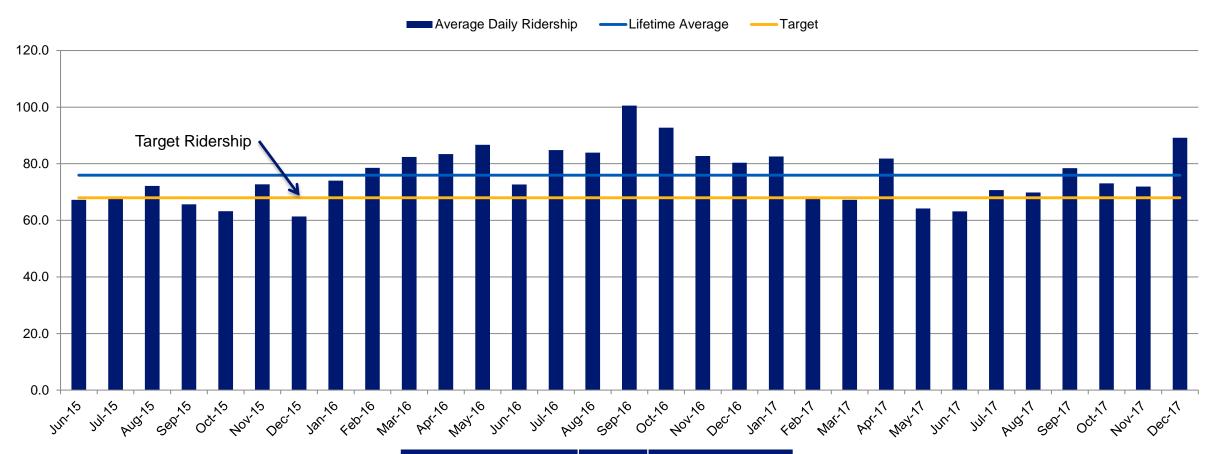
Appendix: Performance Charts Projects in Performance Measurement Phase



Performance – Black Diamond – Enumclaw Community Ride



Performance – Burien Community Shuttle/Route 631

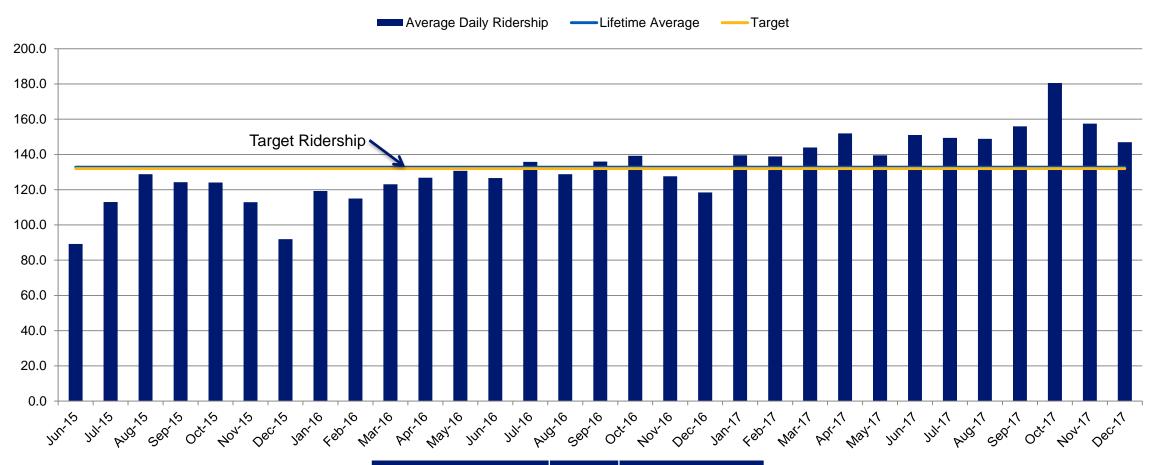




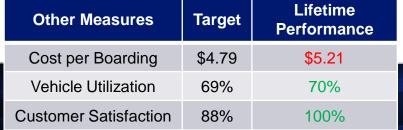
Other Measures	Target	Lifetime Performance	
Cost per Boarding	\$7.74	\$6.95	
Vehicle Utilization	31%	34%	
Customer Satisfaction	88%	100%	



Performance – Mercer Island Community Shuttle/Route 630

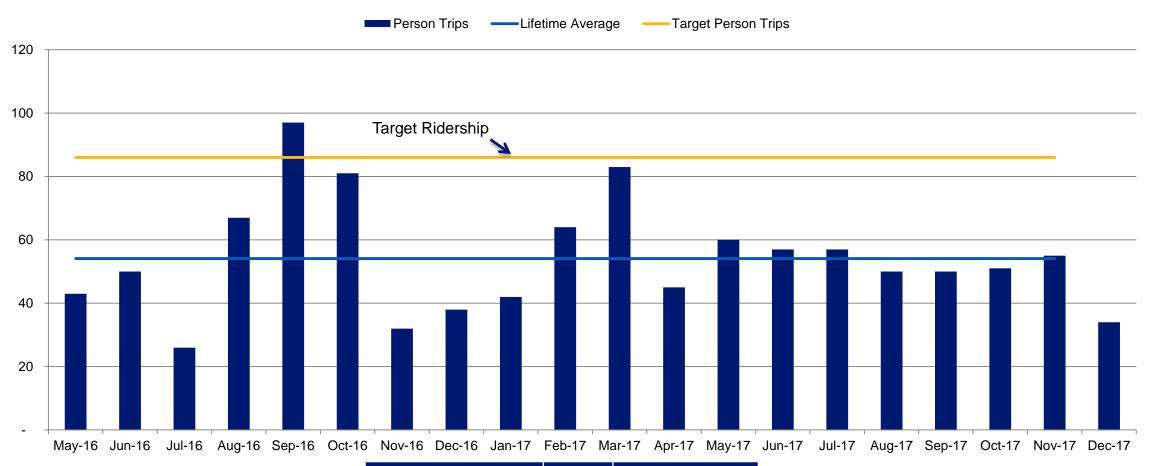








Performance – Mercer Island TripPool





Other Measures	Target	Lifetime Performance
Cost per Boarding	\$2.00	\$2.39
Vehicle Utilization	33%	22%
Customer Satisfaction	88%	TBD



Performance – Redmond LOOP

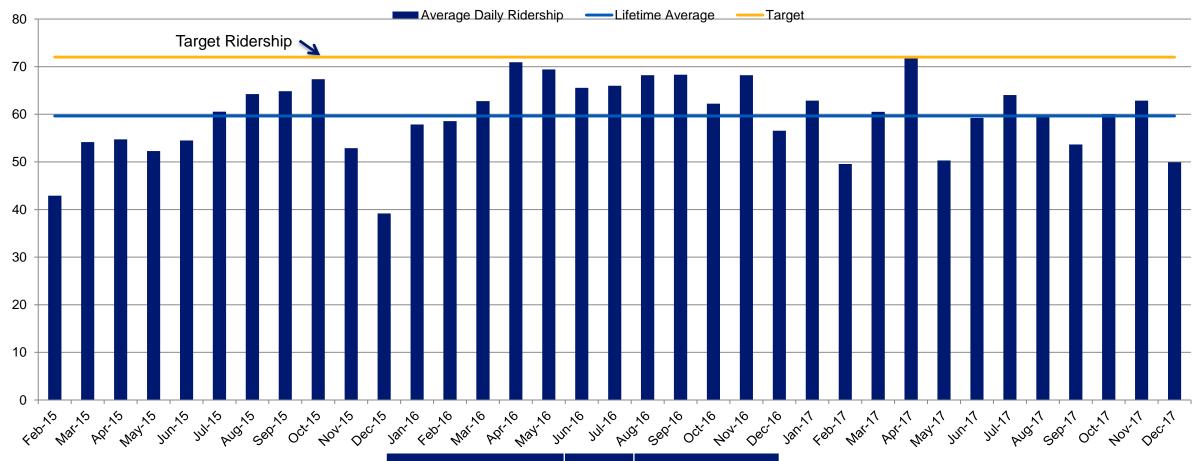


88%

95%

Customer Satisfaction

Performance – Snoqualmie Community Shuttle/Route 628





Other Measures	Target	Lifetime Performance
Cost per Boarding	\$15.28	\$19.41
Vehicle Utilization	46%	39%
Customer Satisfaction	88%	90%



Performance – Snoqualmie Valley Shuttle/Route 629



69%

88%

63%

100%

Vehicle Utilization

Customer Satisfaction

