

# METRO CONNECTS

## DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Regional Transit Committee  
June 20, 2018

# Agenda

- **Service investment strategy**
- **Capital process and projects**
- **Projected funding needs and shortfalls**
- **Partnerships**
  - **Process**
  - **Resources for equity**



# Service Investment Strategy

## METRO CONNECTS Regional Project Schedule

20 Project Areas

### 2017-18 Budget

#### Service Guidelines

##### Past Service Investment:

- Operational Needs
- Overcrowding (Priority 1)
- Reliability (Priority 2)
- Service Growth (Priority 3)

### 2019-2020 Budget

#### Service Guidelines + METRO CONNECTS

##### Current Service Investment:

1. Work within Metro's organizational capacity and manage constraints
2. Manage system performance
3. Integrate service with Sound Transit projects
4. Support partnerships and partner priorities
5. Invest in service that supports productivity, social equity and geographic value

### 2021-2023 Budget

#### Updated Service Guidelines

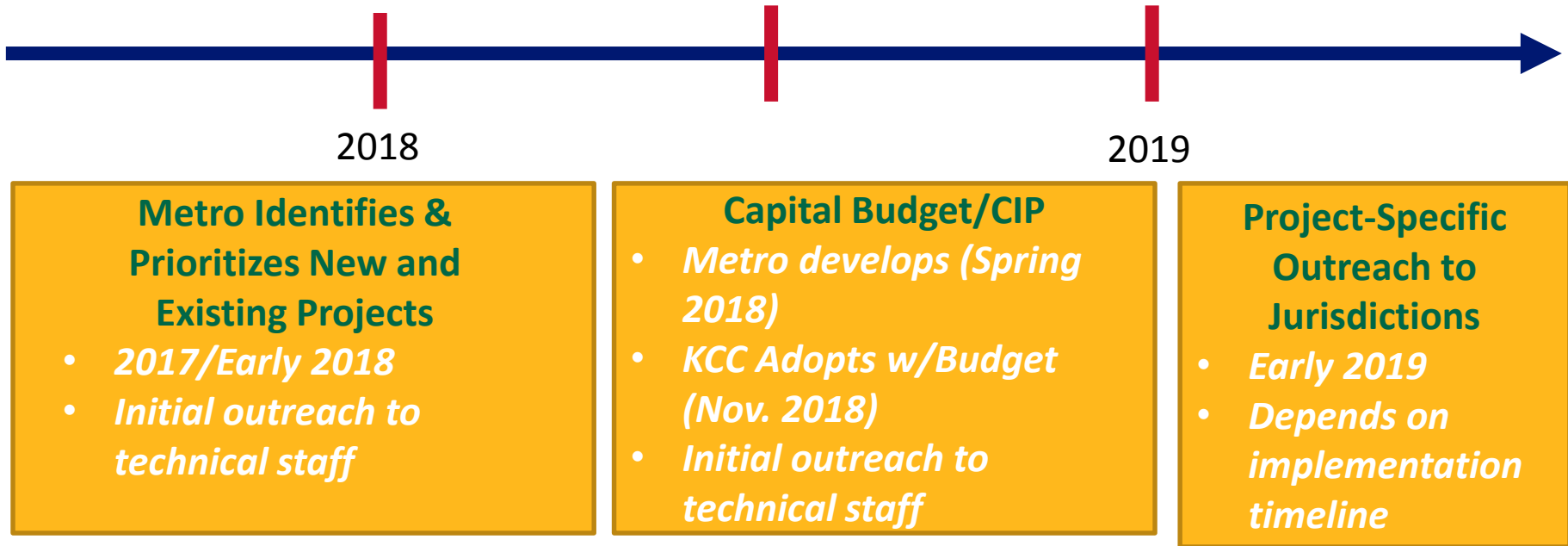
Proposed Updates to  
Service Guidelines to better  
align investment guidelines  
with METRO CONNECTS

# 19-20 Potential Actions & Investments

- **Manage System Performance**
  - Reduce crowding, improve reliability
  - End of joint operations in Downtown Seattle Transit Tunnel
  - Construction mitigation
- **Support partnerships**
  - Seattle Mobility Contract
  - Sound Transit or other partners TBD
- **Invest in mobility projects that move toward the 2025 Network**
  - North Eastside
  - Auburn-Renton



# Capital Investment Timeline



# 2019/20 Projects– Speed and Reliability

- **Current active projects (2018 & beyond):**
  - Route 8 (Seattle)
  - Route 150 (Tukwila & Kent)
  - Route 245 (Bellevue, Redmond, Kirkland)
  - Downtown Southend Pathway
  - Ongoing spot improvements
- **Proposed projects (2019-20):**
  - Major spot improvements SR 900/S. 129<sup>th</sup> St
  - Corridor planning for Route 5, 1025, and 1514
  - Additional projects in budget

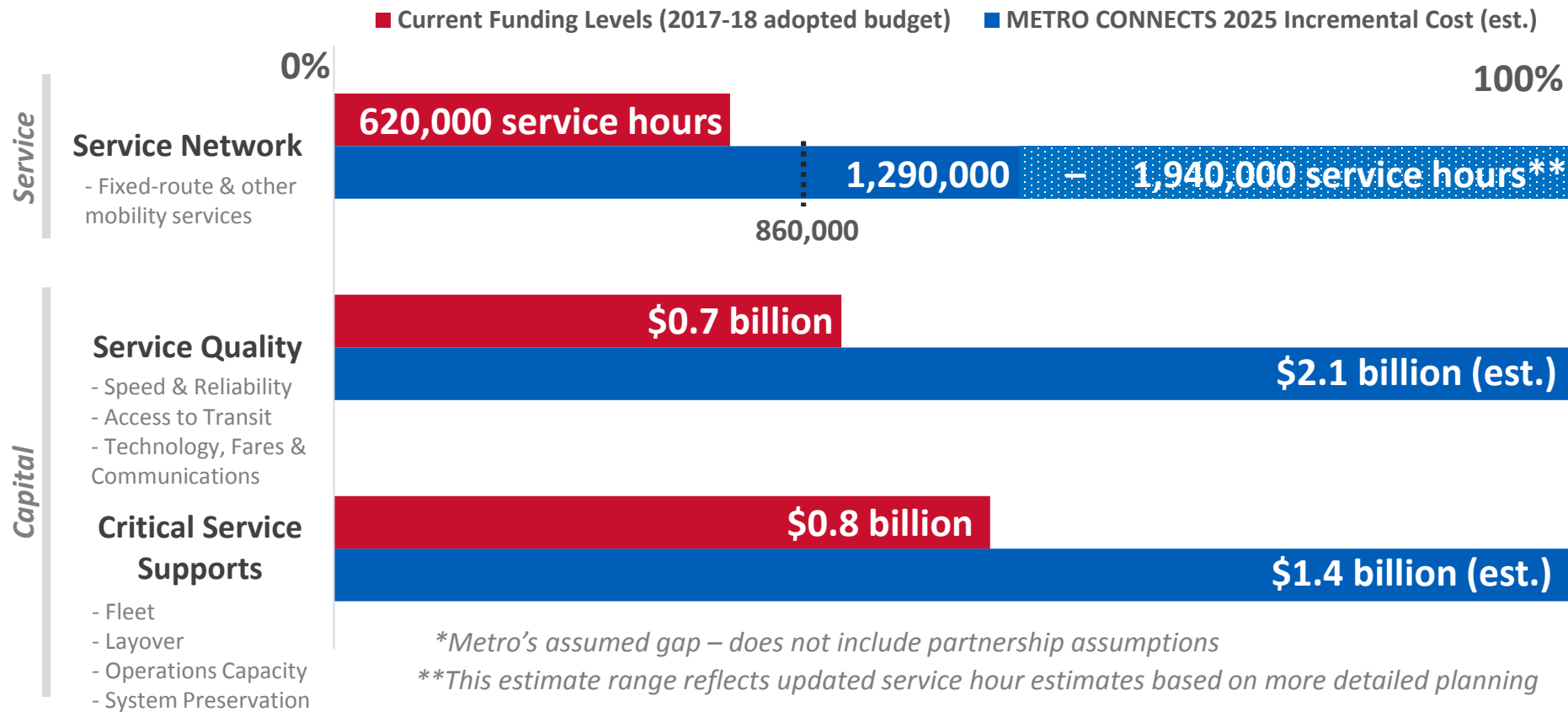


# 2019/20 Projects - RapidRide

- Regional Project Schedule  
RapidRide examples  
(Planning/Pre-Design/Design)
  - Madison, Roosevelt
  - Delridge Burien (H Line)
  - Kent/Renton/Auburn
  - Outreach to jurisdictions will occur in planning phase



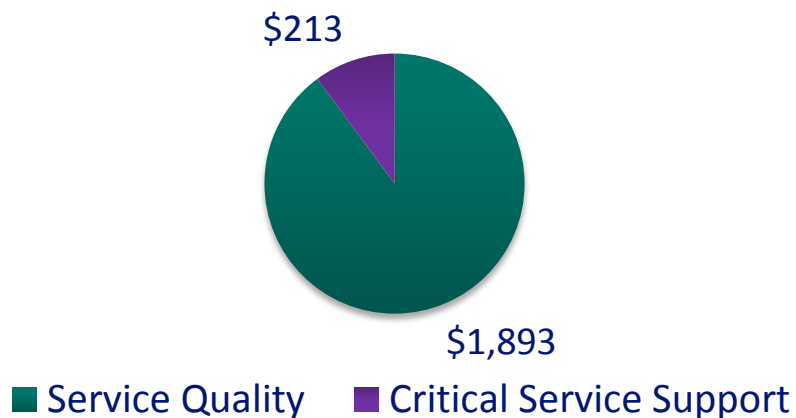
# Financial Gap to the 2025 Network\*



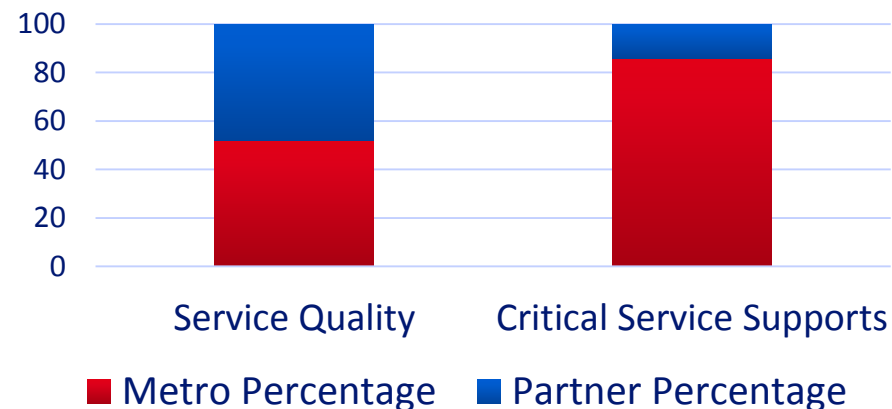
# 2016 Financial Assumptions - Partnerships

**METRO CONNECTS assumed \$2.1B (value, not cash) from partners for capital by 2025 (38% of \$5.5B total estimated capital need)**

**Partner Contributions for Capital Investments by Type of Investments (M)**



**Capital Projects - Assumed Contributions (Partner vs Metro)**



# Jurisdictional Partnerships - Definition

**Metro will partner with jurisdictions to build transit capital projects, make transit easier to use, improve our system's capacity, and address mobility needs of jurisdictions.**

**Jurisdictional partnerships require\*:**

- 1)** Commitment of resources (financial, in-kind, staff, right-of-way, or otherwise)
- 2)** Mutual accountability for achieving goal

*\*evolving definition*

# Capital Partnerships: Proposed Approach

- 1. Identify and prioritize transit capital needs**
- 2. Determine Metro-led and City-led capital projects**
  - Metro-led
    - High priority, make sense for Metro to lead
    - Number limited by Metro capacity
    - Led and primarily funded by Metro, supported by Cities
  - City-led
    - High priority, cities better positioned to deliver
    - Led by Cities, supported by Metro
    - Metro could provide some resources – staffing, budget, etc.
- 3. Reserve dedicated resources for ESJ and smaller cities**
  - Ensure no one is left behind

# Proposal In Action: Non-RapidRide Corridors

## *Speed & Reliability Analysis of Frequent Transit Corridors* Summer 2017

### • **76 routes**

- System-wide route-level ranking of need
- Incorporating future corridors
- Ranked by speed & reliability, future proposed service, social equity, and geographic value



## Initial Screening Process Fall 2017

### • **15+ routes**

- Excluded routes with:
  - Ongoing capital investment
  - Proposed RapidRide
  - No all-day service in 2025 network



## Final Screening for Metro-led Planning Studies in 2018 Winter 2018

### • **3 routes**

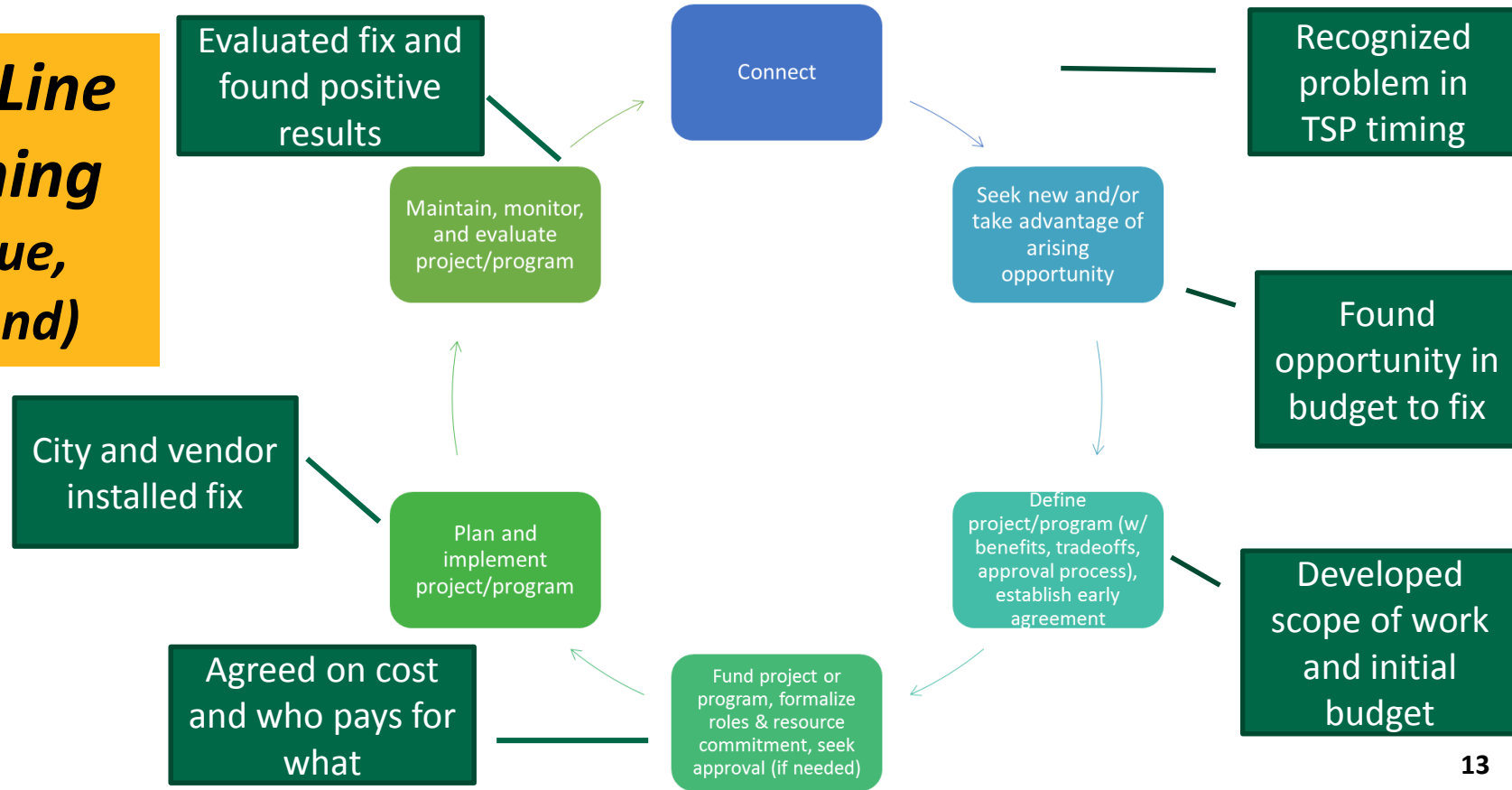
- Corridors selected by agency priority, staff capacity, and geographic value
- Route 5 (Shoreline to Seattle)
- Route 1025 (Kenmore to Overlake)
- Route 1514 (Covington to SeaTac)

**High Priority, May be  
Better for Cities to Lead**

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Metro to Lead**

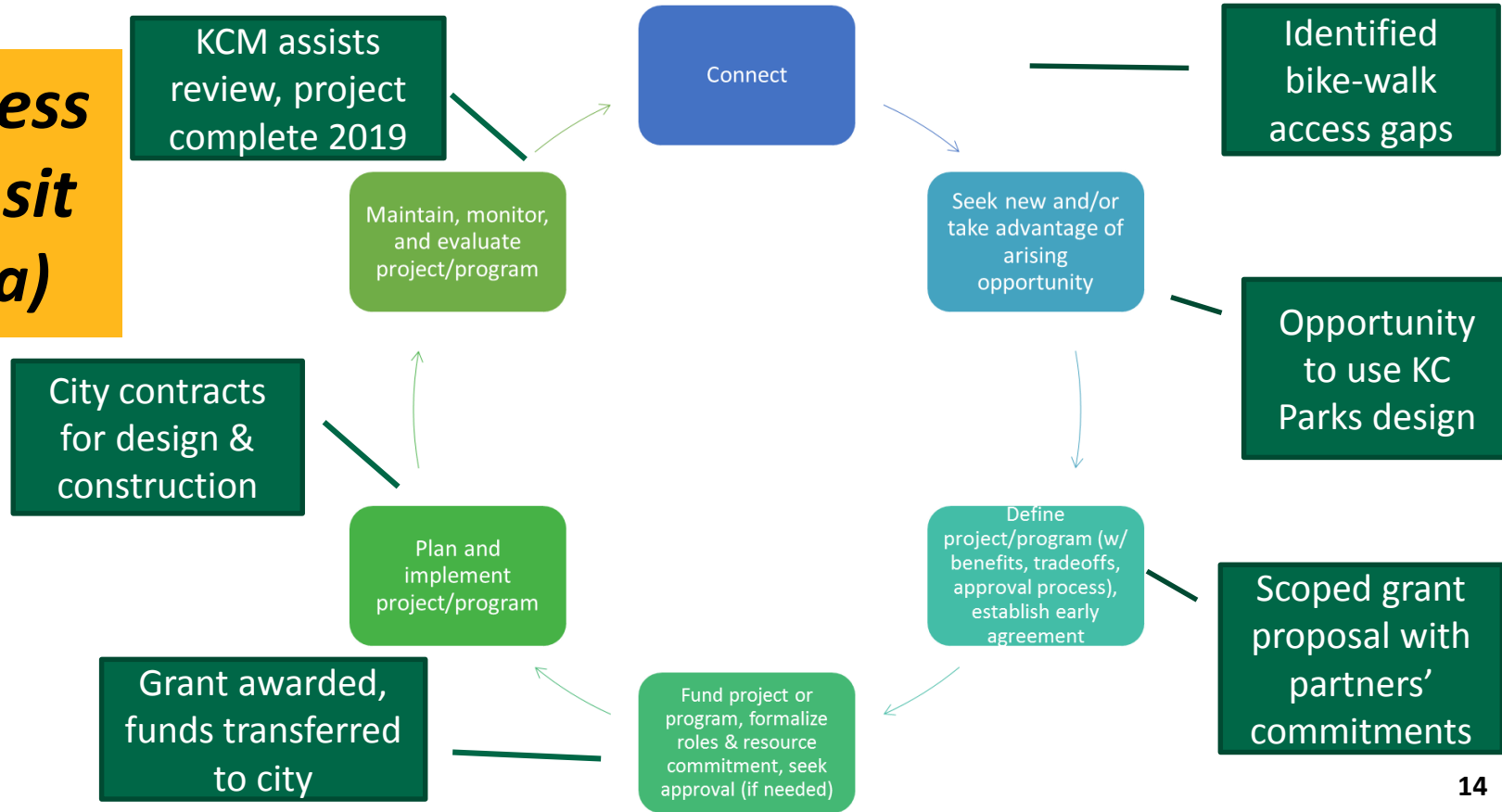
# Proposal: Implementation Process

***Ex: B Line  
Retiming  
(Bellevue,  
Redmond)***



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***Ex: Access  
to Transit  
(Tukwila)***



# Improving Coordination with Cities

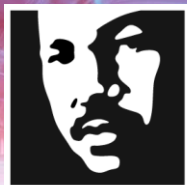
- Capital planning
- TAC: Regular communication, meetings ~3-6 mon.
- Project/corridor work groups, 1:1s
- Opportunities for strategic coordination on grant applications



# Capital Partnerships Proposal: Resources for Equity

- Grounded in County ESJ policy
- Objectives:
  - Bring people to transit or improve service for disadvantaged communities
  - Overcome resource barriers
- Projects: access to transit, speed & reliability, transit facilities
- Requires engagement and contribution (in-kind or financial)





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