

# Regional Public Transportation Coordination Plan (RPTCP)

## FY 2014 Planning Activities

In continuation of Regionally Coordinated Transportation Planning in southeast Texas during FY 2014, the SETRPC will receive funding for two new planning activities based on the needs identified in the 2011 RPTCP update: (1) Develop a Regional Ride Connection Plan and (2) Design a Transit Training Program.



**Regional Ride Connection Plan** – The regional ride connection plan would identify the best options for service connection and offer trip plans to aid transit users in utilizing service overlaps and alternative means of transportation in order to meet their mobility needs.

### Unmet need: Regional Connectivity

- ◆ Regional Connectivity is one of the top three unmet needs in southeast Texas, per the RPTCP
- ◆ Regional Connectivity is included among the goals and recommendations set forth in the RPTCP
- ◆ This plan will identify service overlaps and look at how riders can transfer between services/different modes of transportation
- ◆ This plan would take another step forward in the goal to eventually create a regional “backbone” public transportation service
- ◆ This plan will offer trip plans to help users understand how the services can interact with each other
- ◆ This plan will look at alternative modes of transportation, including taxis
- ◆ This plan will examine how to connect to major activity nodes

**Transit Training Program** – The Transit Training Program will teach the skills that potential transit users will need to access and use transportation services.

### Unmet need: Communication (included under umbrella of communication)

- ◆ Communication is also one of the top three unmet needs in southeast Texas, per the RPTCP
- ◆ The RPTCP lists transit training under the umbrella need of communication
- ◆ Residents have informed the SETRPC of a lack of knowledge regarding how to access and use transportation services
- ◆ This plan would provide skills and knowledge to facilitate the use of transportation services, as opposed to raising awareness of the availability of services



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