

SENIOR MOBILITY WORK GROUP

July 18, 2012

Transportation Needs of Michigan's Aging Population Implementation Recommendations – SPR 1 update of proposal submitted – A brief discussion was had on the status of the proposed project. We will not learn anything more until at least later in August, if this project has been selected for funding.

Transportation Patterns of Older Drivers in Rural Michigan Update – An update was given of the ongoing project. Lisa Molnar and Dan Kellman were going to be leaving our meeting and heading up north to have meetings with the Little River Band - Ottawa, Little Traverse Bay – Odowa, and the Sault St. Marie tribe. It was also noted that the Southwest Michigan Planning Organization (SWMPO) has been in discussions with the Potawatomy tribe regarding a transit feasibility study.

SHSP Update – The update is moving ahead on schedule. Strategies to include in the next version were discussed, and have now been submitted to Wayne State University for inclusion in the next SHSP.

2014 Conference – It was discussed that we would like to keep the same name, and logo, to make everyone aware that we were also keeping the same theme (best practices) of the 2004 conference. We will be checking into how we are going to be able to hire a conference planner. David Eby had a suggestion that everyone likes for the name:

NORTH AMERICAN conference on ELDERLY MOBILITY Best Practices from Around the World – A Decade of Progress

Mobility Management Update – Roberta Habowski (SE Michigan) and Kim Gallagher (SW Michigan) each gave a presentation on their Mobility Management programs. SW Michigan's program is a one click service. Human Services organizations seem to be the main users of their web site, www.MyWayThere.org. There is some information that is general in nature and not just specific to SW Michigan, however the majority of the info is specific - bus schedules and ride providers.

SE Michigan's program is a one-call, one-click service, connecting Seniors & Adults with Disabilities to Rides, currently active for Oakland and Macomb Counties, www.myride2.com. There is also information that is not specific to just SE Michigan.

Interest in Senior Mobility from the Upper Peninsula – We will be working with the people interested from the Upper Peninsula on making sure we are sharing the same message regarding senior mobility and the resources available.

It was also suggested we work with the 14 Regional Planning Commissions for coordination regarding senior mobility, and also that we look into inviting Roland Mross from United We Ride in for a presentation to our group. He is the Ambassador for Region 5 which covers Indiana, Illinois, Minnesota, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin.

Future Meetings 1:00-3:00

September 19

November 14

Location to be Determined