

Low Income Fare Program Update

Board Briefing
July 26, 2017

- **Project Background**

Investigate the feasibility of a broader low-income fare program

Assemble a regional Taskforce to help identify a program framework that could work in our community

Identify and secure a funding stream that would support the agreed upon program framework

Task Force Outcomes

1. Support the development of a regional Low Income Fare program
2. Recommended eligibility would be up to 200% of Federal Poverty Level
 - One-person household: \$23,760 max
 - Four-person household: \$48,600 max
1. Recommended program subsidy would be 50% off of Adult ticket/day pass and ~70% off of Adult monthly pass
 - Equivalent to Honored Citizen and Youth fare structures

Estimated annual cost of fully subscribed program \$12.3 million

Primary Funding Strategy

Advocate for the inclusion of public transit funding in the State Transportation package – if funded TriMet would make funding a new low-income fare program at the recommended level a top priority of the new resources



Next Steps

1. Re-engage Regional Low Income Fare Taskforce, engage access transit partners, system stakeholders and other social service providers
2. Develop Program Implementation plan, establish project team, and develop communication and engagement plan.
3. Funding to support a new program accrues starting July 2018 – organize the system and partners to be ready for launch!

Draft Program Implementation Timeline

July 2017	August 2017	September 2017	October 2017	November 2017	December 2017	January 2018	February 2018	March 2018	April 2018	May 2018	June 2018	July 2017
Program Development						Procurement		Testing			Distribution	

Questions?