



NORTH CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA REGIONAL PLANNING and DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

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Regional Rural transportation Advisory Committee (RRTAC)

Thursday, July 25, 2024

Attendees

Robert Mecca	Life & Independence for Today (LIFT)
Jodi Brennan	Clearfield County Planning
Michelle Stiner	Central Pennsylvania Community Action
Ashley Luzier	Clearfield Jefferson Community Connections
Dan Wertz	McKean County Human Services
Dan Gruver	Veteran Services
Lisa Clutter	Heath Ride Plus
Lindsey Herzing	Penn Highlands Healthcare
Shawna Bevacqua	Area Transportation Authority of North Central PA
Robin Holt	Central Pennsylvania Community Action
Kimberly Alfieri	Behavioral Health Alliance of Rural PA
Tom Larson	Clearfield County Planning
Connor Vecellio	NCPRPDC

A roll call was conducted, with several members confirming attendance, including Robin Holt and Kimberly Alfieri. Some members were noted as absent, including Chris Paul and Kim Briggs.

Purpose of the Meeting

- The meeting's main purpose was to discuss ongoing efforts and responsibilities in implementing the *Coordinated Public Transit Human Service Transportation Plan*.
- The plan aims to address transportation coordination across public transit and human service provider needs in the region.

Updates and Action Items

- **Plan Update:**
 - The committee will be updating the *Coordinated Public Transit Human Service Transportation Plan*, with a new document expected in 2025. The update will likely be conducted through an RFP for a consultant, and a steering committee will be formed, potentially involving current members.
- **5310 Program:**

- The Section 5310 Program is currently open for applications, with a deadline in July. Details will be presented later in the meeting.

Marketing of Transportation Services

- **ATA Services:**
 - A significant focus was placed on improving communication and marketing of the transportation services provided by ATA (public transportation).
 - Shawna and Jodi Brennan are working with the committee to promote awareness of services, including fixed routes and other offerings. There is an emphasis on educating human service agencies and the public about these services.
- **Committee Role:**
 - Members of human service organizations were encouraged to share feedback on how best to communicate and coordinate services. This could include improving internal communication or forming specialized action committees.

Next Steps

- **Committee Feedback:**
 - The committee was urged to review the current plan and provide any feedback on how things can be improved, especially regarding service delivery and collaboration between agencies and ATA.
- **Action Committees:**
 - The possibility of forming additional action committees was discussed, particularly if specific issues or challenges arise that require targeted focus.

Miscellaneous

- A few minor technical issues were noted at the start of the meeting, including some members switching to different audio setups.

Adjournment:

- The meeting continued with further discussion on upcoming tasks and planning.

Next Meeting:

- TBD (To Be Determined).