



Transportation Workgroup Meeting

Date: December 5, 2023

Attendees:

Council members present: Peter Kang, Meagan Kerr, Jennifer Simms, Starkesha Rogers, Jennifer Sims.

Council members absent: Farrah Tyus, Amber Merrimon, Cecelia Hernandez, Becky Durrick, Viktoria Martinez, Megan Schulz, Catherine Richards.

Agenda:

1. Icebreaker.
2. Review Group Agreements.
3. Recap of Goals 1-9.
4. Action Plan: Complete steps 10-12.

a. How will you know when the recommendation is fully implemented?

The group discussed the possibilities of what it would look like for them. One member mentioned that if everyone had transportation to early child care, we will not need to have meetings to discuss this topic anymore. Another idea is that parents will be impacted positively. They will be able to see positive effects like: improved health due to getting to appointments on time, better child development outcomes.

b. What do you predict will happen if this recommendation is implemented?

Several members of the group discussed what they thought it would look like if the recommendation was implemented. Amongst the ideas mentioned were: Improved school attendance, increased enrollment in EC programs, academic success, improved social/emotional skills, and overall positive impacts on families.

c. Is there anything that came up during discussions that doesn't fit into an existing question but is important to note?

The group decided to dive deeper on this topic over the holiday break and revisit it at the next meeting. A draft copy of the action plan will be emailed to all workgroup members for review. This will be up for review at the next meeting.

Before next workgroup...

- Next meeting, we will make final recommendations for the Action Plan and finalize it!
- Once the Action Plan is finished, will move to discussing Mental Health data and gathering community feedback on what's going well and the challenges/barriers to accessing mental and behavioral health services for young children.