

## Citizens Advisory Committee 2016 Work Plan

In an effort to maximize the impact of the Citizens Advisory Committee to the TPB, the committee has developed a work plan that articulates committee priorities and goals for committee work in 2016. This work plan builds on the CAC mission and acknowledges that the CAC is most effective when it **promotes public involvement** in transportation planning for the region, and **provides independent**, **region-oriented citizen advice** to the TPB on transportation plans and issues.

**Priorities** are topics that the CAC will engage with multiple times throughout the 2016 session. These are the areas in which the CAC hopes to have the biggest impact.

**Unfunded Capital Needs** / **Long-Range Transportation Plan** – The CAC seeks to promote public input into the TPB's effort to develop a prioritized a list of unfunded capital transportation needs.

- Goal: Appoint a CAC representative to sit on the Long-Range Plan working group, ensuring CAC presence and participation at meetings, and regularly report back to CAC
- Goal: Develop recommendations on CAC input and participation to the TPB regarding the long-range plan process

**Participation** – The CAC encourages TPB staff to explore new ways to engage the public around regional transportation planning issues.

- Goal: Assist TPB staff with scheduling and hosting a series of outreach meetings related to the TPB's new long-range planning process
- Goal: Work with TPB staff to develop recommendations for improving TPB participation activities as part of the TPB Evaluation of Participation in 2015
- Goal: Advise TPB staff to work with jurisdictions to raise public awareness about small project funding opportunities, like the Transportation/Land-Use Coordination, Transportation Alternatives, and Enhanced Mobility

**Secondary priorities** are topics that the CAC will address a few times throughout the session while still providing the committee with an opportunity to inform TPB work.

**Transportation Safety** – The CAC asks TPB staff to respond to the 2015 CAC recommendation that the TPB commit to eliminating traffic deaths in the Washington region.

• Goal: Work with the TPB's Safety committee to document safety initiatives underway in Washington area jurisdictions to eliminate traffic deaths in the Washington region

**Pedestrian & Bicycle Planning** – The CAC asks to be briefed on regional pedestrian and bicycle planning activities.

 Goal: Advise the TPB on the creation of a prioritized list of unfunded pedestrian and bicycle projects

**Washington Area Metropolitan Transit Authority** – The CAC encourages the TPB to promote the importance of Metro for the Washington region.

- Goal: Share CAC response to upcoming plans at WMATA to improve the Metro system
- Goal: Collaborate with WMATA's Riders Advisory Council to explore ways for the public to advocate for change at WMATA on specific issues