Item #8

ATCMTD PROJECT UPDATE

Recent Accomplishments and Upcoming Activities

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ATCMTD Overview

- Advanced Transportation and Congestion Mitigation Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD)
 - FHWA Funds authorized through FAST Act
- \$5.95 million grant application awarded November 2020
 - 3-year project scheduled to conclude in November 2023
- Year 1 Focus: Model Enhancements & Program Expansion (Tasks A C)
- Year 2 Focus: Specialized TDM Programs (Tasks D F)
- Year 3 Focus: Improved Accommodations (Tasks G)



Project Goals

- Leverage the best available technology to maximize the cost effectiveness of a megaregion TDM program
- Integrate and expand existing dynamic TDM programs with a shared technology platform for coordination among public and private-sector partners
- Provide personalized, timely and accurate traveler information and incentives to minimize congestion, energy use, and emissions
- Enhance multimodal transportation access and system performance for all user groups with rewards and gamification



Task A - Accomplishments

- <u>Task A</u>: Develop Personalized and Dynamic TDM in Existing Service Areas
 - Areas of focus: TPB non-attainment area and Maryland
 - WMATA & MTA real-time GTFS feeds integrated
 - All fixed-route local transit services integrated
 - TDM System adapted to administer multiple incenTrip programs
 - MDOT incenTrip Incentive Program
 - Operations/rewards are similar to Commuter Connections
 - Eligibility is based upon work location
 - Launched Tuesday, November 9



Task B - Accomplishments

- <u>Task B</u>: Technology Deployment in the Entire DMV Megaregion and Adjacent Rural Counties
 - Areas of focus: Central Virginia, Delaware, and select counties in West Virginia and Pennsylvania
 - Created network model
 - Data elements include megaregion street network, real-time traffic data, and fixed-route transit
 - Users are now able to plan a trip within expanded region, all the way down to Richmond
 - Released on Tuesday, November 9



Task C - Accomplishments

- <u>Task C</u>: Expand multimodal reward and payment options within the incenTrip community
 - Identified incentives to pursue for inclusion
 - PayPal/Venmo digital payments
 - eGift Cards (Giftcards.com / OmniCard) and Nift Gift
 - WMATA SmarTrip, MTA CharmPass, E-ZPass
 - Created new "Payment Module" in TDM System
 - Created 5 new APIs that permit communication between incenTrip, the TDM System, and PayPal
 - Enable users to link PayPal accounts to incenTrip accounts so that digital payments can be received



Task C - PayPal Payouts

- CSV includes:
 - PayPal ID
 - Amount
 - Currency
 - Reference ID
 - (Email)
 - Note
 - Wallet
 - (PayPal or Venmo)



Send a payout

To get started, you can upload a CSV or TXT file with up to 5000 payment recipients and also add a
customized email message. You can preview and download a sample file to understand how to organize
your fields.

Upload Recipient File		
Upload a CSV or TXT file	Choose File	
Download sample CSV file		
Add a custom message		
Enter email subject		
Customized email message to recipients		

Task C - Updated Deployment Timeline

Incentive	Expected Deployment
PayPal Digital Payment	Q4 2021
Gift Cards	Q4 2021
Nift Gifts	Q1 2022
WMATA SmarTrip	Q1 2022
MTA CharmPass	TBD
VA & MD EZ-Pass	TBD



Task D - Overview

- <u>Task D</u>: TDM Deployment for Non-Recurrent Congestion Mitigation
 - Develop and deploy (a) personalized and dynamic incentives and (b) traveler info to mitigate non-recurrent congestion in the region
 - Examples of non-recurrent congestion: major accidents, dangerous weather, work zones, holidays, and special events
 - Focus will remain focused on peak-commute timeframes, unless otherwise suggested
 - Encourage shifts in (a) mode, (b) departure time, and (c) route
 - Stakeholder input requested from ATCMTD Stakeholder Group



Task E - Overview

- <u>Task E</u>: Corridor-Level TDM Deployment for Multimodal Integrated Corridor Management (ICM) and Transportation Systems Management & Operations (TSM&O)
 - Monetary and non-monetary incentives
 - Encourage shifts in (a) mode, (b) departure time, and (c) route
 - Focus on improving commuters' awareness of multimodal choices and park-and-ride options along selected corridors
 - Ability to react to projected congestion levels along corridor and allocate incentives accordingly
 - Stakeholder input requested from ATCMTD Stakeholder Group



Task D & E - Methods

- Potential methods for personalized & dynamic incentivization:
 - Flextime Rewards / awarding points for route change or delayed departure
 - \$8 per flexed trip scale appropriately for points allocation
 - Increased rideshare vehicle occupancy
 - Customized corridor challenges
 - Boost points for all non-SOV trips within certain distance of eligible corridors
- Potential methods for disseminating real-time traveler information:
 - Flextime Rewards / alerting of delays along route
 - In-app push notifications, email alerts



Task D & E - Scenarios and Corridors

- Transform 66 Major Construction Project
 - Convert HOV2 carpools to HOV3
- I-270 Corridor Project
 - Leverage MDOT's \$100 million investment in ramp meters, variable speed limits, and auxiliary lane extensions
- Bay Bridge holiday travel
 - Reduce number of commute trips along bay bridge so more capacity is available for non-commute trips
- Heavy traffic days
 - Tuesday following Labor Day
 - Day before Thanksgiving

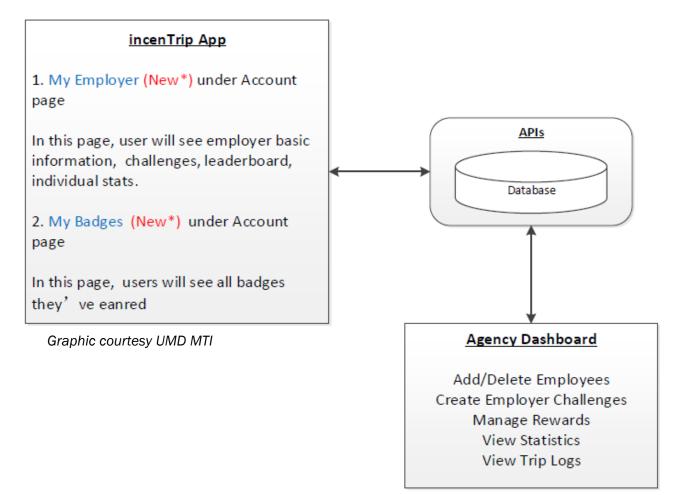


Task F - Overview

- <u>Task F</u>: Integration of Employer-Funded TDM for Shared-Platform Development
 - Develop an Employer Module that allows employers to create and deploy customized TDM programs
 - Access a webpage to input information and create challenges
 - New "Employer Dashboard" to permit ETC administration privileges within incenTrip
 - Reward employees for choosing non-SOV modes and/or flexible work schedules
 - Overlayed on top of existing public incentive programs
 - Employers may be asked to offer cash match or fully fund customized rewards

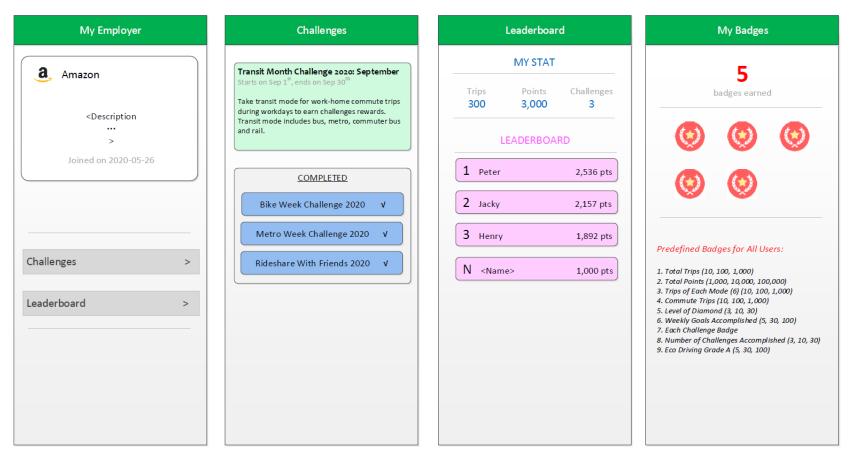


Task F – Employer Program Design





Task F – App UI Design



Mockups courtesy UMD MTI



Task F – Dashboard UI Design

incenTrip /	Agency Dashboard	Eric Log Out
Stats	Point Pool: 1,000,000 points	Create New
Challenges	Transit Month Challenge 2020: September Sep 1 st , 2020 and Sep 30 th , 2020	Edit
Employees	Take and finish 20 transit mode trips in incenTrip app in September, 2020. Transit mode includes bus, metro, commute bus and rail.	
Trip Logs	Eligible Employees: ••• Bonus Points for Accomplishment is 200 points.	September, 2020
Employer Administrator		
	Bike Week Challenge 2020: October Oct 5 th , 2020 and Oct 9 th , 2020	Edit
	Take and finish 4 bike commute trips in incenTrip app in October to earn extra bonus points and a badge with rewards.	
	Eligible Employees: ···	\bigcirc
	Bonus Points for Accomplishment is 60 points.	0et, 2020



Year 2 Schedule - Tasks D, E, F

- Phase 1: Stakeholder engagement to determine plans
 - November 2021 December 2021
- Phase 2: Design plan development and stakeholder group approval
 - January 2022 April 2022
- Phase 3: Programming and deployment
 - May 2022 October 2022



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