

# AGE & DISABILITY FRIENDLY SF WORKGROUP AGENDA

Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> 10-12pm

Zoom:

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Phone: (669) 219-2599 Meeting ID. 834 6890 9477 Passcode: 005112

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**INTRODUCTIONS.** Valerie gave an accessibility overview, introduced Maceo, DAS's new staff person for ADF. Co-chairs did intro, a short ice breaker and introductions.

## **PROJECT REVIEW: TRANSPORTATION DOMAIN.**

**Recommendation:** Prioritize **ramp taxi advocacy** and policy.

**Presenters:** Erin McAuliff, Acting Director of Accessible Services and Jonathan Cheng, Paratransit Program Manager, SF MTA. Discussed Access for All funding (including what an access provider is, funding, timeline, etc.). MTA will essentially serve as the Local Access Fund Administrator (LAFA) for this exciting opportunity, which will include developing a website, engaging with stakeholders, identifying service gaps.

**Discussion:** Transportation Network Companies (TNC's, like Lyft, Uber, etc.) cannot apply for this funding; all potential providers need to meet the minimum criteria established (shared); and MTA will need help from stakeholders on identifying possible partners. Non-emergency medical transporters could apply for this funding. One participant mentioned that a huge gap is transportation for wheelchair users from SFO back to the City. It was recommended that this funding could be used to encourage ramp taxi's to get side-loading vans instead/in addition to back loading vans. Also discussed the need for spare ramp taxi's for when a vehicle is out of service. Other gaps identified include: coverage during the weekend and evenings when options are much lower. There are a hundred ramp medallions available, and only 40 are in service. The program is growing and there are incentives, but there's still a huge need. Was recommended that there is a need for a central dispatch contact info.

**Next Steps:** ADF involved (support, understand the gaps, identify what success looks like, help identify stakeholders?). **If you would like to be involved or would like more info about this effort, please contact Jonathan at [Jonathan.cheng@sfmta.org](mailto:Jonathan.cheng@sfmta.org)**

**Timeline:** The team will be sending an email invitation to join the working group meeting within the next 2-6weeks.

**Recommendation: Transportation information** should be available in a variety of accessible formats and devices.

**Presenter:** Catherine Callahan (Mobility Manager, SF Paratransit) reviewed previous Mobility Management work, discussed next steps including developing a plan to create a centralized location for transportation information.

**Discussion:** Someone asked if this effort is only focused on MTA efforts? One gap identified is connecting SF to the surrounding counties. Was mentioned that it's important to ensure that this effort stays connected with 311; this should also be available in 511 or with MTC or another regional resource. Need to include accessible TNC options. Was suggested to consider working with Google to include accessible stop and pathways in their mapping. SF MTA is testing out a new mobile app around these kinds of mapping. Was also recommend to make sure that there always a physical ("analog") version of all transportation info, for those unable to access online.

**Next Steps:** ADF and SF MTA team can meet to discuss next steps, including who to contact, ways that ADF can support or partner in this work, etc. These recommendations/topics can also be brought back to the ADF meetings moving forward. **If you would like to be involved, please contact Catherine at [catherine.callahan@transdev.com](mailto:catherine.callahan@transdev.com).**

**Recommendation: Ensure Accessibility Oversight:** Assess and provide recommendations on accessibility design and/or decision.

**Presenter:** Erin McAuliff (Acting Director of Accessible Services, SF MTA) shared specific details, deliverables, and timelines for the SF MTA Accessibility Strategy. This work presents an opportunity to develop goals and action items based on draft proposal and SFMTA Accessibility Strategy needs assessment. The Strategy includes: a needs assessment (evaluates system's ability to ensure accessibility & opportunities for community feedback upon completion in Summer 2023); goals and actions (a guide on how to address the opportunities and challenges identified in phase 1); implementation and performance management (measure progress and setting expectations for how

MTA will communicate). MTA has a SF Fellow joining this effort in September and will likely be coordinating with community partners moving forward. For more info:

<https://www.sfmta.com/projects/accessibility-strategy>

**Next Steps:** a draft needs assessment will be shared this summer and then developing the goals and actions to meet the gaps identified. **For more information, please contact XXX**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- **San Francisco Arts Commission (SFAC) Seeks Applicants for 2024 Cultural Ambassador Program.** Cultural Ambassadors to promote the 2024 Cultural Equity Endowment grants and Arts Impact Endowment grants programs. Cultural Ambassadors will help create awareness about and increase attendance of SFAC's grant information sessions and encourage prospective grantees to submit applications to relevant SFAC grant categories in fall 2023. The 2024 Cultural Ambassadors will be paid an honorarium of \$1,710 to help conduct outreach between September – December 2023. Program restrictions: Selected Cultural Ambassadors cannot apply as an individual artist or apply on behalf of an arts organization for any FY24 Arts Impact Endowment or Cultural Equity Endowment grant programs, they cannot be a current SFAC grantee or work for a current SFAC grantee, they cannot be an employee of the City and County of San Francisco. They must be at least age 18 or older. Learn more about the program and apply by August 25, 2023, at SFAC's website: [2024 Cultural Ambassador Program | San Francisco Arts Commission \(sfartscommission.org\)](https://www.sfartscommission.org/2024-cultural-ambassador-program).

For more information or to request accommodations, contact: Jonell Molina, [jonell.molina@sfgov.org](mailto:jonell.molina@sfgov.org) and Jennifer Chu, [jennifer.chu@sfgov.org](mailto:jennifer.chu@sfgov.org)

- **Mayor's Disability Council (MDC):** has 5 vacancies, looking for members who want to learn more. For more information: <https://sf.gov/departments/mayors-disability-council>
- **Independent Living Resource Center (ILRC) is having a fundraiser,** link: <https://ilrcsf.networkforgood.com/events/59726-end-of-summer-wine-and-chocolate-soiree>
- **Taxi working group** is protesting the expansion of the autonomous vehicle programs in front of the CPUC this coming Monday.

**Next Workgroup Meeting:** Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 10-12pm

# ACCESSIBLE MEETING POLICY

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