JPACT Worksheet

Agenda Item Title: Forward Together: The Road Ahead and Planning for Service Cuts

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Purpose/Objective; To inform JPACT members and the constituencies they represent of the current process underway to address TriMet's budget shortfall.

Outcome: JPACT members understand the process for how TriMet will consider service cuts, and how they can encourage the people they serve to weigh in to the public process.

What has changed since JPACT last considered this issue/item?

TriMet brought the Forward Together service concept to JPACT in October of 2022. We began implementing those service improvements across our service area in 2023 and will cover those in the presentation. Those service improvements are listed here as well: https://trimet.org/bettertransit/bus.htm#serviceimprovements

Further service improvements from Forward Together are on hold indefinitely. This is due to TriMet's rising costs and declining revenues. The presentation will discuss the factors contributing to the service cuts which will need to make, as well as how to weigh in to provide feedback.

What packet material do you plan to include?

JPACT members can review the information about TriMet's service cuts at https://trimet.org/servicecuts/ through October 31.