

# **Engagement and outreach summary** 2023 Regional Transportation Plan

Metro updated the Regional

Transportation Plan by working with the public and partners across the greater Portland region to understand existing needs and priorities for all forms of travel – driving, transit, biking and walking – and the movement of goods and services throughout the region.

## 2021

#### November

**Community leaders' forum #1** focused on community transportation priorities and engagement opportunities for the RTP update.

#### December

**41 interviews** with local, regional, and state public officials and staff, business groups and community-based organizations informed the 2023 RTP work plan and engagement plan.

## 2022

### April

**RTP online public survey #1** collected feedback from 1,372 participants across the region on the RTP vision and goals (*Feb. – April*)

Community members from across the region provided input on transportation needs and priorities at focus groups conducted in Mandarin, Russian, Spanish and Vietnamese.

### July

A **Climate and transportation panel discussion** featured national experts sharing best practices and tools for assessing and monitoring climate impacts of transportation.

#### October

A listening session with **Black**, **Indigenous**, **and People of Color small business owners** focused on transportation challenges and strategies across the region. **April** 



**Community leaders' forum #2** focused on the community leaders' desired outcomes for the RTP process and community transportation challenges and opportunities across the region.

**RTP online public survey #2** collected feedback from 1,191 participants across the region on how people get around, their priority types of transportation investments and priorities for transit investments. (*Sept.– Oct.*)

Community members across the region were engaged in the High Capacity Transit (HCT) Strategy at **10 public events** with TriMet's Forward Together. (*Oct.*)

## 2023

### February to April

**Seven community based organizations** serving under-represented and marginalized communities engaged in the 2023 RTP and High Capacity Transit Strategy, reaching more than 350 people in Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties. (*Feb. – Aug.*)

**High Capacity Transit Strategy online open house and survey** shared the HCT vision and priorities and asked participants for their feedback on the vision and HCT priorities. It was viewed over 800 times and the survey collected 354 responses. (*Jan. – March*) **Language-specific in-person forums** provided information and opportunities for feedback on transportation needs, priorities and the draft 2023 RTP project list in Russian, Vietnamese, Chinese, and Spanish. Participants were from across the region.

**Community leaders' forum #3** focused on the initial RTP high level assessment findings, investment priorities and how to provide feedback on the proposed investments.

#### May

A **regional transportation business forum** co-hosted by the Portland Business Alliance included a discussion about the transportation concerns and priorities of businesses in greater Portland.

**High Capacity Transit business focus group collected** input from business organizations on needs and priorities for high capacity transit investments.

**RTP online public survey #3** collected input from 884 people across the region on their priority investment categories and the projects in the draft project list.

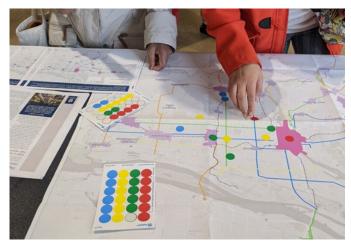
#### July and August

**Final, 45-day public comment period**, included federal and state consultation activities, public hearings and invited mail, email and phone comments (*July – Aug.*)

**RTP online public survey #4** collected feedback from 663 people across the region on the public review draft 2023 Regional Transportation Plan and High Capacity Transit Strategy. (July – Aug.)

**RTP online comment form** collected comments from 269 people, including jurisdictional/agency partners, on the public review draft 2023 Regional Transportation Plan and High Capacity Transit Strategy. (July – Aug.)

**40 letters, 50 emails and testimony received from agencies, organizations, and individuals** on the public review draft 2023 Regional Transportation Plan and High Capacity Transit Strategy. *(July – Aug.)* 



#### Regional advisory committees and consultations

The 2023 RTP update was guided by regional and local decision-makers and transportation agencies across greater Portland. Metro consulted with Tribes, federal and state agencies throughout the RTP update process.

**21** Metro Council meetings

**30** Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and Metro Policy Advisory Committee (MPAC meetings)

**6** JPACT/Council workshops

**3** Committee on Racial Equity (CORE) meetings

**45** Transportation Policy Alternatives Committee (TPAC) and Metro Technical Advisory Committee (MTAC) workshops and meetings

County Coordinating Committee meetings throughout 2021-23

**7** High Capacity Transit Strategy working group meetings

**6** consultation meetings with federal, state and regional agencies

**6** consultation meetings with Tribes

#### Learn more

Visit oregonmetro.gov/rtp to find out more about the outreach activities for the 2023 Regional Transportation Plan.