

METRO GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF MEANINGFUL PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

1. Public participation is an essential part of Metro's decision-making.
2. Transparency in decision-making is fundamental to successful public service and includes communication about project outcomes and impact of community contributions to the process.
3. Meaningful public engagement processes apply equity, diversity and inclusion strategies and tools to help identify and address the needs of impacted, underserved, and historically excluded communities.
4. Engagement and communications are accessible, informative, timely and inclusive of a rich diversity of lived experiences and perspectives.
5. Collaboration and capacity-building efforts with community-based organizations, programs, initiatives and individuals that are impacted, underserved, or historically excluded are essential to address regional issues equitably.
6. Intergovernmental collaboration, coordination, and consultation are essential to address regional issues holistically and efficiently.
7. Evaluation of engagement activities during and after a project encourages responsiveness, growth and process improvement.
8. Adaptive project timelines allow for meaningful engagement with the most impacted audiences early and throughout the project.