

RTCC Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2019

“To coordinate and expand the provision of transportation services to benefit those residents of West Central Minnesota facing transportation barriers.”

On Phone: Rhonda Porter (Clay County Social Services), Laurie Bonds (Douglas County Social Services), Carla Solem (CoC), Lori Van Beek (MatBus), Crystal Zaviska (Pope County Social Services), Mary Franzen (Golden Retriever)

In attendance: Jill Amundson (WCI), Daryn Toso (Transit Alternatives), Deb Sjoström (Ottertail County Social Services), Liberty Sleiter (Stevens County Social Services), Denise Warren (Becker County Human Services), Christy Ramsey (Becker County Human Services), Shannon Funk (Becker County Human Services), John Groothuis (MN DOT), Bill Franzen (Golden Retriever), Missy Becker-Cook (WCMCA), Tom Gottfried (MNDOT), Cynthia Sprung (Wilken County Public Health), Kris Chisholm (DCCP), Daryn Toso (Productive Alternatives Inc.), Kate Storhaug (Dancing Sky AAA), Lori Hanson (Someplace Safe), Tom Parington (Rainbow Rider), Abby Strom (Alexandria Area Economic Development), Cody Rogahn (WCMCA Board Member), Liz Kuoppala (MAHUBE)

1) Introductions made

2) Overview of RTCC and Council Membership

3) Phase 2 Implementation

a. At this time in Phase 2 we will not need a match for year one.

4) Year two may include a match, stakeholders will have to agree with that match and commit to year two.

5) Timeline of Project – deadline is July 1, 2019

a. Grant for Phase 2 is due April 12th.

6) Systems Integrators

a. Changes were agreed upon and finalized

7) Discussion:

a. Tom Gottfried—MN DOT has been assigned to work with DHS, to work on mobility issues and share how MN DOT and DHS work together. Tom is on mobility – find out who, what, when, where and cost – and looking at different pieces and how to put it back together. The most effective system is that everyone gets transportation to where they need to go. RTCC is large umbrella of various transportation needs. Tom’s job is to bring people together.

b. Joint powers will be a requirement- but not at this present time.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Next Meeting: April 22, 2019