

## **Franklin Grand Isle Mobility Advisory Committee Thursday, December 28, 2023, Meeting Summary**

Present: Jordan Posner/CIDER, Sue Chase/Care Partners Adult Day Center, Kathy Lavoie/NRPC, Nick Foss/ GMT, Jacqui Kelley/VDOH, Cari Kelley United Way, Ross MacDonald/VTrans.  
Guest, Kyle Grenier, NRPC.

### **Meeting Opened at 2:01 p.m.**

- 1) **Adjustments to Agenda: None**
- 2) **Committee & Guests Introductions: Kyle Grenier, NRPC Transportation**
- 3) **Approval of Minutes: August 24, 2023:** Sue motion to accept; Cari seconded ~ Approved
- 4) **Budget & Local Agreements Discussion: Nick Foss, GMT**
  - a) Local Agreements have been sent and returned.
  - b) See Attached GMT Document: FY24 Older People & Persons with Disabilities (O&D) Financial Update.
  - c) Discussion centered on Actual Transit Rate vs. Set Rate; Chittenden County (37%) and Washington County (43%) spending higher than previous year, possibly preventing shift to FGI, requiring mid-year reset from VTrans.
  - d) FGI dependence on taxis, GMT's lack of volunteers, GMT's need to ramp up recruitment of volunteers & partnership with Age Well and others.
  - e) NRPC Kathy to start conversation with GMT focus (via email) regarding meeting to discuss "recruitment" avenues, partnerships with others like Age Well & RCT Pilot in NEK, etc.
  - f) March 28, 2024, will include update on above initiative.
  - g) Future conversations to include the different ability to recoup Medicaid funds between SSTA and GMT; Jordan to lead discussion. Tentatively scheduled for August 29, 2024, meeting.
- 5) **Brief Update Micro Transit Pilots & Feasibility Studies: Ross MacDonald, VTrans**
  - a) Feasibility Study in St. Albans complete; prime area for Micro Transit Pilot. March 28, 2024, meeting will discuss metrics.
- 6) **Brief Discussion on O&D Program Survey: Ross MacDonald, VTrans**
  - a) Survey is being created, will be sent to regional teams in January 2024.
  - b) Regional teams to disseminate; NRPC and others to discuss methods.
  - c) Results will be discussed at June O&D Summit and update Public Policy Plan.
- 7) **Workplan Review: Kathy Lavoie, NRPC**
  - a) Discussion regarding 10/1/22-9/30/23 Workplan; will approve workplan with only dates to be revised. To be approved via email by January 17, 2024.
  - b) Discussion regarding 10/1/23-9/30/24 Workplan; will be revised to include new dates, new members, and new roles & responsibilities. To Be Approved via email by January 17, 2024.
- 8) **Partner Program Updates & Announcements:**
  - a) Cari, UW continues advocacy work; Jackie, VDH initiative Be Bright; Jordan, CIDER 3 new vehicles in next 2 weeks.
  - b) Public Comment: None**
  - c) Next meeting date:** March 28, 2:00-3:30.
  - d) Adjournment: 3:05 p.m.**



To: FGI Mobility Advisory Committee

From: Nick Foss, Director of Finance

Date: December 28, 2023

RE: FY24 Older People & Persons with Disabilities (O&D) Financial Update

Summary:

- Grant balance as of October is above benchmark by 230 basis points (2.3%).
- Local partner spending as of October is below benchmark by 410 basis points (4.1%).
- The actual vs. billed transit rate reflects a significant variance through October, roughly 28%; rebilling may be necessary.
- If rebilling is needed this will decrease available federal funds and local.
- Both Chittenden and Washington County are over benchmark in their federal grant spending.
- GMT will likely be requesting additional O&D funds during the mid-year amendment process with VTRANS.

Benchmark 33.3%  
FY24 Thru October

FGI Budget Tracking								
Partner	YTD Federal (\$) Budget	YTD Federal (\$) Spending	Remaining Federal (\$) Funds	Fed. (\$) Budget Variance	YTD Local (\$) Budget	YTD Local (\$) Spending	Remaining Local (\$) Funds	Local (\$) Budget Variance
Care Partners	\$ 110,000	\$ 44,079	\$ 65,921	40.1%	\$ 13,750	\$ 4,620	\$ 9,130	33.6%
CIDER	\$ 115,000	\$ 42,890	\$ 72,110	37.3%	\$ 14,375	\$ 4,459	\$ 9,916	31.0%
Age Well	\$ 415,000	\$ 141,085	\$ 273,915	34.0%	\$ 33,000	\$ 8,787	\$ 24,213	26.6%
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 640,000</b>	<b>\$ 228,054</b>	<b>\$ 411,946</b>	<b>35.6%</b>	<b>\$ 61,125</b>	<b>\$ 17,867</b>	<b>\$ 43,258</b>	<b>29.2%</b>

YTD Actual Transit Rate	\$ 121.82
FY24 Transit Rate	\$ 95.00
Difference (Nominal)	\$ 26.82
Difference (%)	28.2%