Collaborating for Accessible, Affordable, and Equitable Transportation

AGENDA

I. Welcome & Introductions (10 min)

II. LCC Member Updates
   a. Cards for Sandy and Laura
   b. Dockless Letter of Support
   c. Advocacy Working Group, June 20, 1:00-2:30 pm
   d. Aging and Transportation Planning
   e. M4A Bike Projects

III. M4A MyRide Cards and bCycle

IV. Mobility for All Walk n’ Roll Event
   June 16, 9-12

V. Be Heard Boulder
   June 16, 9-12

VI. Needs and Solutions (5 min)
   a. What community needs and solutions did you identify during the meeting?

VII. Conclusion
   a. Next meeting: Youth Transportation July 9, 2018, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
      St. Vrain Community Hub, Longmont
Who are we missing?

We would love to invite the right groups/field/organizations/individuals to our meetings. If you have a contact or a suggestion for a presentation, please contact: abond@bouldercounty.org

Needs and Solutions

If you identify any community needs or potential solutions throughout the meeting and presentation, please take notes here for group discussion.

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ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION FOR ALL AGENDA

I. Attendees:
Aaron Pasterz  Center for People with Disabilities
Dinah Pollard  City of Lafayette Senior Services
Eden Mayne  City of Boulder Senior Services
Michele Waite  City of Longmont Senior Services
Regis Lindsay  Cultivate
Nikki Shegda  eGo CarShare
Kate Williams  Denver Regional Mobility & Access Council
Sue Prant  Community Cycles
Dawn Mullally  Denver Regional Mobility & Access Council
Leslie Gibson  Boulder County Housing Authority
Frances Rasker  City of Boulder
Darcy Kitching  Walk 2 Connect, Boulder Walks
Thomas Kim  Alternatives for Youth
Carrie Murphy  Boulder Housing Partners
Kevin Crouse  Boulder bCycle
Angel Bond  Boulder County Mobility for All

II. LCC Member Updates
a. We have a couple members who will no longer be part of the LCC. Sandy Stewart of the OUR Center is retiring and Laura Mathews of the Areas Agency on Aging (AAA) has taken a new position with the State Unit on Aging. Their organizations are finding new representatives for the LCC.

b. The LCC sent a Letter of Support for the City of Boulder Dockless Bike Share Permitting process. Letter is attached.

c. The Advocacy Working Group will meet June 20, 1:00-2:30 pm and will be focusing on developing a survey of nonprofit transportation assistance programs and creating a social media outreach strategy.

d. There are quite a few Aging and Transportation Planning processes scheduled for the near future. AAA is holding 13 community conversations over the course of June across the county for the Age Well Boulder County Plan. City of Boulder, City of Louisville, University of Colorado Boulder, and Boulder County Transportation are all creating Transportation Master Plans this year.

e. M4A has done several bike projects to support Boulder County Housing Authority residents with transportation. M4A inventoried 11 BCHA sites that were less than 3 miles from transit and installed bike maintenance and storage facilities at 6 of those locations. Additionally, M4A conducted 3 Earn a Bike Workshops for 37 BCHA residents to learn how to maintain a bike, combine biking and busing, and plan trips and at the end of the workshop, they earned a refurbished bike.
III. **M4A MyRide Cards and bCycle Pilot Project:** M4A is partnering with [HHS Financial Counseling](#) to distribute 300 RTD MyRide Cards to clients attending one-on-one financial counseling. bCycle is also providing 300 free annual memberships for the pilot program.

IV. **Mobility for All Walk n’ Roll Event**
The City of Boulder is holding an accessible biking and wheelchair event on June 16, 9-12. Attendees will get to meet with local organizations and vendors and have the opportunity to try out a bike that fits your needs such as hand cycle bikes, tri-bikes, e-bikes, cargo-bikes, and more, and learn how to experience exploring the city using a wheelchair. CPWD, eGo CarShare, and M4A will have a table at the event.

V. **Be Heard Boulder**
Collaborative Storyteller and Walk Boulder Program Director, Darcy Varney Kitching, gave a presentation on the Be Heard Boulder is an online public engagement platform that the City of Boulder uses to reach people beyond public meetings, open houses, and surveys. Darcy conducts personal interviews to collect transportation stories and posts them on Be Heard Boulder.

VI. The LCC Members present all gave general organizational updates.

   a. Aaron announced a new CPWD Veteran Independence Program, Patrick Miller is the Program Manager and brochure is attached.
   b. Dinah is new to Lafayette Senior Services and is planning on attending the LCC when she can.
   c. Eden mentioned that they are hosting a few community conversations on aging for the AAA Age Well Planning process.
   d. Michele discussed the transportation gap the Longmont homeless populations are experience by having to travel to the Boulder shelter for the Homeless Solutions for Boulder County Coordinated Entry. We will need to ensure that transportation costs will be factored into the decision to not build a shelter in Longmont.
   e. Regis announced that Cultivate (formerly Boulder County CareConnect) is hosting a volunteer recruitment event. Flyer is attached.
   f. Kate reminded us of the RTD Candidate Forum that DRMAC is hosting on Sep 4 and introduced Dawn Mullally, who will most likely be the DRMAC LCC representative.
   g. Sue has been very busy with Walk and Bike Month and has hosted many event biking events for the public and their members.
   h. Thomas is the new Executive Director for Alternatives, a nonprofit dedicated to youth diversion programs to help youth under 20 years old stay out of the criminal justice system.

VII. **Conclusion**
   a. **Next meeting:** Youth Transportation July 9, 2018, 2:00-4:00 p.m.
   St. Vrain Community Hub, Longmont
LCC MEETING
JUNE 11, 2018
2:00-4:00 PM

Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- LCC Updates
- Walk ‘n’ Roll Event
- Pedestrian Stories
- Needs and Solutions
- Conclusion

LCC Location Change

- LCC Meetings, 2nd Monday, 2:00-4:00 pm
- Rotate Meeting Between Longmont & Boulder
  - Odd Months: 515 Coffman St., Longmont
  - Even Months: 2525 13th Street, Boulder

LCC Member Updates

- Cards for Sandy and Laura
- Boulder Dockless Bike Share Ordinance
- Advocacy Working Group
- Planning Season
- New Partnership M4A & bCycle
Dockless Bike Permits

Letter of Support

LCC Updates

Advocacy Working Group
- June 20, 1:00-2:30 pm
- Nonprofit Transportation Support Survey

LCC Updates

Planning, planning, and more planning
- AAA Community Conversations (13 in June)
- Transportation Planning
  - City of Boulder
  - CU Boulder
  - City of Louisville
  - Boulder County
- Inclusive Planning Grant

M4A PROJECT: BCHA Bicycle Amenities

6 Low-Income BCHA Sites (<3 miles from Transit)
M4A PROJECT: Active, Affordable Transportation

Earn-a-Bike
- 3 EAB Workshops
- 37 BCHA residents earned bikes

LCC Updates

- Housing and Financial Counseling
  - Free, Open to Anyone
  - $50 MyRide Cards (300 cards)
  - Free Annual bCycle Membership

Presentations

Mobility for All Walk n’ Roll
- Frances Rasker, GO Boulder
  - DRCOG Bike to Work Day, June 27
    - Mobility for All Event, June 16, 9 a.m. -12 p.m.

Be Heard Boulder
- Pedestrian Stories
  - Darcy Kitching
    - Walk 2 Connect
darcy@walk2connect.com
NEEDS

- What needs did you hear in the meeting?

SOLUTIONS

- What solutions can you think of to address needs?

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, July 9, 2018, 2:00-4:00 pm
Youth Transportation
515 Coffman Street, 112S Public Meeting Room, Longmont 80304
May 31, 2018

City of Boulder
City Council
1777 Broadway Street
Boulder, CO 80302

Subject: Support for the Dockless Bike Share Licensing System

Dear City Council:

On behalf of the Boulder County Local Coordinating Council (LCC), we submit this letter of support for the Dockless Bike Share Licensing System. The Boulder County Local Coordinating Council is an alliance of government and nonprofit organizations collaborating for accessible, affordable, and equitable transportation for people with mobility challenges, including older adults, people with disabilities, and low-income families. We believe that dockless bike sharing systems have the potential to positively impact the mobility of vulnerable populations by expanding geographic accessibility of affordable transportation options.

We have concerns with dockless bike sharing systems that are self-locking, as they could easily be moved or placed in the public right of way, which could impede the mobility of people with disabilities and older adults. By approving dockless bike sharing systems that lock to bike racks, it is more likely that the bike parking placement meets minimum accessibility requirements according the Americans with Disabilities Act.

We hope that by focusing on social equity as a requirement of the ordinance, the City of Boulder can also increase the availability of adult trikes and other adaptive bikes in the bike sharing system. People with disabilities and older adults could greatly benefit from such options.

Thank you for making affordable transportation modes a priority. Please do not hesitate to contact us regarding this letter of support, MobilityForAll@BoulderCounty.org.

Sincerely,

Boulder County Local Coordinating Council
Boulder County Local Coordinating Council Members
Walk and Bike Month is a month-long celebration of walking and biking in Boulder. This year we have over 50 free walks, bike rides and other events for you to join, including Boulder’s Bike to Work Day on Wednesday, June 27.

Throughout June, the Boulder community - all ages and abilities - is encouraged to walk, bike, and ride transit for daily trips. This is also a great opportunity to explore the Boulder’s extensive bus system and use walking and biking for your first and last mile!

This year, new event: **Mobility for All: Bike Demo and Walk & Roll on June 16**

**Saturday June 16 from 9am – 12pm:**
**Mobility for All: Bike Demo and Walk & Roll**
**Location:** West side of Municipal building (1777 Broadway)

**Bike Demo:**
Between 9am – noon, local organizations and vendors will give you the opportunity to try out a bike that fits your needs. We plan to have a range of bikes for you to try out such as hand cycle bikes, tri-bikes, e-bikes, cargo-bikes, and more.

**Walk:**
At 9:30 or 10:30 am, join us for the ‘Navigate the City in a Wheelchair’ Walk and Roll.

Craig Towler (Amputee Concierge), Topher Downham (OSMP), Darcy Kitching (Boulder Walks) will lead you on this ~45 minute walk to experience exploring the city using a wheelchair.

#1 at 9:30 – 10:45am
#2 at 10:30 – 11:15am
Both walks meet at the west side of the Municipal Building

**Thursday June 14, 5 – 8 pm:** **Boulder Bike Show**

After last year’s success, it is time for round two of Boulder’s Bike Show!

Choose from one of the following 8 categories.
- Best in Show
- Hottest Single Speed
- Best Frankenbike
- Most Classic (Vintage)
- Best Decorated
- Best SUB (sport utility bicycle)
- Best Adaptive Bike
- Most Equipped Commuter

**Times:** Bike entry 5:00pm – 8:00pm, judging from 6:00pm – 7:00pm, winners announced at 7:30pm
**Location:** Rayback Collective, 2775 Valmont Rd, Boulder
Maria: Sometimes, I feel like a caged bird here in Boulder. It’s hard for me to connect with others because of the language barrier. But I love connecting with nature. I grew up on a farm in Zacatecas, Mexico. I want my kids to love mother nature just as I do. Walking with my children is the foundation of our relationship, and it makes me feel like I have more freedom.

My children attend three different schools. We walk or ride our bikes to school every day. During the walk or ride, we talk about the day together, so I always know what’s going on with their lives. Walking with my children makes me feel happy, especially when I see them getting excited when they spot a butterfly, a special flower or hummingbirds.

Once, we discovered a beautiful place to walk on our way to the soccer field. There is a path with large trees on both sides, forming a lovely canopy. We call it ‘the jungle’. There are trees carved into different figures, a hollowed-out tree squirrels can climb through, a pond with jumping fish and spectacular views. It’s a beautiful experience to walk through there. I lived six blocks from that place for 10 years and never knew about it.
**Doris:** I walk a lot. I usually walk downtown and back, or I walk on North Street and back. I do at least one long walk a day, and I take the bus all the time. I just love to walk outside. I walk for health reasons – I’m 77 years old, so I have to walk to stay alive!

My only problem is the bicyclists on the sidewalks. They come right up behind you, and then they say, ‘On your left!’ ‘On your right!’ They scare me to death because I don’t hear them. I’m afraid I’m going to jump right in front of them! They’re much too close when they say something, and that’s just rude. The bicyclists are especially bad on Broadway. Often, I’ll walk down 13th Street because there are fewer cars and bicycles. It’s a nice street to walk down. Mapleton and Maxwell are also lovely. If the city could require bicyclists to use a bell – and if all the bells sounded basically the same – that would help the walkers. We would be able to hear them coming.

**Paulette and Clive:** We ride buses and walk to wherever we’re going. In the winter, ice is the real problem – that, and the mountains of snow piled up by snow plows at the intersections. It’s flat-out dangerous! Good sidewalk conditions, including curb cuts not filled with snow or rushing water, are critical to those of us who need to walk or use wheelchairs.

It’s fun to walk in Boulder on the paths along the ditches. I’ve walked many of the paths with friends, but the Boulder Creek path is just too busy. The standard-width sidewalks are also difficult to navigate with a guide dog, especially when there are bicyclists and other pedestrians around.

Because I’m partially sighted, it’s not as much of an issue for me, but design choices along sidewalks can affect accessibility. I was trying to walk from the bus station along Canyon to Broadway with a totally blind friend who also had a guide dog. They have put so many cute little planters and things along there that you can’t follow a straight line – you have to jig and jog erratically around barriers. It’s nice to have places to sit down, and walls to sit on, and planters, but it’s also important to consider that a straight-line path is a real asset for anyone with mobility issues who doesn’t want to take the extra steps – never mind just the blindness issue. You don’t want to make anyone for whom three extra steps is agony walk around things.
Direct, in-person community story-gathering happened in April, in conjunction with Neighborhood Office Hours hosted by City of Boulder Neighborhood Liaison Brenda Ritenour.

Highlighting Mobility for All on Saturday, June 16, 9 a.m., at Boulder Municipal Building – 1777 Broadway
- Accessible bikes and mobility devices
- Wheelchair walk and talk with Craig Towler (Amputee Concierge) and Topher Downham (Open Space and Mountain Parks)
Cultivate is hosting a Boulder Volunteer Fair!

Does your organization rely on great volunteers to help carry out its mission? Do you always seem to be looking for that next great lead volunteer?

Join us at HAR HASHEM on July 11th, 2018 from 9am to Noon.

Contact Regis 303-443-1933 ext. 406

To help offset the costs, we are asking for a $30 dollar tabling fee. Coffee, fruit and BOBO’s Bars will be provided.
Our Mission

The Mission of CPWD is to provide resources, information and advocacy to assist people with disabilities in overcoming barriers to independent living.

Contact Us

To find out more about VIP, or any of our other programs, or for information or referral, please contact any of our locations listed on the back of this brochure.

Locations

CPWD Boulder
1675 Range Street
Boulder, Colorado 80301
Phone: 303-442-8662
Toll Free: 888-929-5519
Fax: 303-442-0502
8:30AM-5:00PM Monday - Thursday
8:30AM-12:00PM Friday

CPWD Broomfield
6 Garden Center Suite 1
Broomfield, CO 80020
Phone: 303-790-1390
Fax: 303-792-0317
Video Phone: 720-459-5341
8:30AM-5:00PM Thursdays Only

CPWD Longmont
615 Main Street
Longmont, CO 80501
Phone: 303-772-3250
Fax: 303-772-5125
8:30AM-5:00PM Monday - Thursday
8:30AM-12:00PM Friday

CPWD North Metro
10317 Washington Street
Thornton, CO 80229
Phone: 303-790-1390
Fax: 303-792-0317
Video Phone: 720-459-5341
8:00AM-4:00PM Monday - Thursday
8:00AM-2:00PM Friday

www.cpwd.org

Veteran Independence Program
**About VIP**

- Veteran Independent Program (VIP) is a program funded by the VA that follows that guidelines of the VA’s Veteran-directed Home and Community Based Services (VD-HCBS)
- VIP allows you as a Veteran to receive services in your home and community while managing your own service plan and budget.
- VIP helps you live independently, in your own home, and not in nursing care.
- VIP helps veterans of all ages who need nonmedical supports and services and assistance with daily activities (such as bathing and getting dressed) or important activities (such as fixing meals and taking medicines). VIP also assists family and friends who need support to better serve the needs of the Veteran.
- You or a representative manage your flexible budget to pay for goods and services.

**How Is Eligibility for VIP Determined?**

- The goal of VIP is to allow you to remain in your own home rather than have to move into a nursing facility to get the care you need.
- Your VA Medical Center will determine whether or not you meet the eligibility requirements for VIP based on functional criteria established by the VA.

**What Does CPWD Do?**

While you, the veteran, are the sole decision maker in terms of your needs, goals, who you hire and how much they are paid (within the appropriate limits), we at CPWD are here to help you achieve your independent living goals by supporting you in the following ways:

- Conducting a person-centered needs assessment of your current needs and goals and future goals
- Guiding you through the process of using VIP
- Supporting you in hiring a caregiver and supporting you in managing that caregiver
- Assisting you in creating a spending plan with your budget from the VA that supports your needs and goals
- Providing referrals or opportunities for additional independent living resources that might help you

**How Will I Benefit From VIP?**

You will be in charge of your support services. You will be able to choose supports and services that fit your assessed needs. With VIP, you will manage a budget for your services. You’ll be able to:

- Create your own Participant Spending Plan (PSP)
- Choose where and when the services are provided
- Choose your personal care assistants - including family members - and pay them (if personal care is part of your plan)
- Save for needed equipment or vehicle and residential modification

**What Should I Do Next?**

If you are interested in VIP, here are the following next steps for you to take:

1. Contact your VA and get a referral from your VA doctor or social worker
2. Contact CPWD at

   veterans@cpwd.org  
   (303) 442-8662 x103 or (303) 790-1390 x205

   to let us know you want to be part of the Veterans Independence Program.

These steps will let everyone know you are interested, and then we can take next steps to assist you in getting the support you need!