

Transportation Workgroup Roster

- Candace Evans (Chair)
- Kevin Donovan
- Denise Kalm
- Jim Donnelly
- Bryan Harris
- Riki Juster (Lamorinda Spirit Van)
- Rosa Noya (County Connection)
- Deanna Perry (ECC Transit Authority)
- Debbie Toth (Choice in Aging)
- Elaine Welch (Mobility Matters)

EHSD staff member **Alicia Espinoza**, and **Thomas Weisbrich** strongly supported the Workgroup in 2025. SMAC went through Committee Structural Changes of times where we meet every first Monday of each Month from 1:00pm - 2:30pm

Workgroup's Role

To address transportation barriers and gaps in service experienced by Contra Costa older adults through education, advocacy and the promotion of effective coordination of services and mobility management that enhances the autonomy and independence of older adults in Contra Costa County.

Accomplishments

2025 Presentations from:

- Seamless Bay Area - Adina Levin
- People Centered Mobility - Tim Haile (CCTA)
- Next Generation Fare Gate Press Conference & Ribbon Cutting - Candace & Bryan
- GLYDWAYS "Transit should be for everyone" - Mariah Ray SVP, Head of Government Affairs
- Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) "Role in the Region" - Robert Franklin

Provided advocacy for:

- Mobility Management in Contra Costa City-based transportation programs.
- Reviewed and Reported survey data and report on COVID 19 Impacts on Accessible Transportation Services.
- Attended community meetings and training that provided information on the CCTA and Regional Transportation Organizations.
- Organized & Orchestrated SMAC Informational Workshop
- Provided updates of services for older adults in need of transportation services.

2026 Work Plan

- Continue to Schedule and Organize 3 SMAC Informational workshops
- Schedule five presentations in 2026 from transportation service providers and educators in Contra Costa County.

- Participate in the Paratransit Coordinating Council, DACLAC, Accessible Transportation Task Force, and Regional Transportation Organization meetings.
- Participate in Master Plan for Aging local implementation, ensuring senior transportation and people with disabilities' issues are addressed.
- Participate in CCC's Accessible Transportation Strategic Plan implementation.

Candace Evans

Transportation Workgroup Chair

2/18 Meeting was Cancelled

July meeting was on break

August meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum