

Overview of the Citizens & Specialized Transit Advisory Council (CSTAC)

WHAT IS THE RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION?

RCTC was established in 1976 by State law. Its purpose was to oversee funding and coordination of all public transportation services within Riverside County. RCTC is governed by a 34-member board composed of five county supervisors, one representative from each of the 28 cities, and a non-voting Governor's appointee (Caltrans). In addition to transportation oversight, funding, and coordination of all public transportation services in Riverside County, RCTC also oversees programs and projects included in the Measure A ordinance, a voter-approved ½ cent sales tax. Measure A was first passed in 1988 and renewed in 2002 and required a two-thirds approval from Riverside County voters.

RCTC is involved in all aspects of providing a comprehensive transportation system for Riverside County residents, including:

- Allocating TDA funds, the major source of funds for transit in Riverside County;
- Programming and/or reviewing the allocation of federal, state, and local funds for highway, transit, rail, non-motorized travel (bicycle and pedestrian), and other transportation activities;
- Serving as the tax authority and implementation agency for the voter approved Measure A Transportation Improvement Plan; and
- Developing and implementing long-range transportation solutions.

WANT TO BE MORE INVOLVED WITH TRANSIT FUNDING AND PRIORITIES?

RCTC is seeking qualified applicants for its Citizens and Specialized Transit Advisory Council (CSTAC). The CSTAC is a 15-member advisory committee and is tasked with providing input to RCTC in the following areas:

- Participate in unmet transit needs hearing(s);
- Review proposed operating and capital expenditures of seven public transit operators, including RCTC's Commuter Rail Program;
- Advise RCTC on any other major transit issues, including coordination of specialized transportation services, provide feedback during the Public Transit and Human Services Coordinated Plan; and
- Serve as a liaison between the public and RCTC.

WHO CAN GET INVOLVED?

The Transportation Development Act (TDA) provides direction for administering both Local Transportation Fund and State Transit Assistance funds. Both fund types are used to support operational and capital expenditures for public transit. Public Utility Code (PUC) Section 99238 requires the Commission to have a CSTAC as part of the oversight process in administering the TDA funds. Below are the membership requirements set forth in PUC Section 99238:

- One representative of potential transit users who is 60 years of age or older.
- One representative of potential transit users who is disabled.
- Two representatives of the local social service providers for seniors, including one representative of a social service transportation provider, if one exists.
- Two representatives of local social service providers for the disabled, including one representative of a social service transportation provider, if one exists.
- One representative of a local social service provider for persons of limited means.
- Two representatives from the local consolidated transportation service agency, designated pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 15975 of the Government Code, if one exists, including one representative from an operator, if one exists.

RCTC is also looking for additional individuals that:

- Represent a broad spectrum of social service providers representing the elderly, disabled, and persons of limited means;
- Demonstrate interest in community activities and transportation issues;
- Live in Riverside County; and
- Can dedicate no fewer than 20 hours per year to RCTC meetings/activities.

HOW TO APPLY AND DEADLINES

Applying is as easy as 1, 2, 3!

- 1 Carefully read this overview and instructions
- 2 Submit your application via mail, email or online **by February 28, 2020**
- 3 The RCTC Board will approve the CSTAC members in spring 2020. You will be notified at that time if you have been selected and an orientation session will be scheduled.

- a You can mail the completed application form and supporting documents to:

**Riverside County
Transportation Commission**
CSTAC Application
P. O. Box 12008
Riverside, CA 92502-2208



RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
CITIZENS AND SPECIALIZED TRANSIT ADVISORY COUNCIL
— 2020 APPLICATION —

Please type or print. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Name _____

Home Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Business Phone (_____) _____ Cell Number (_____) _____ Home Phone (_____) _____

E-mail _____

Present Occupation _____ Employer _____

How long have you lived in Riverside County? _____

Are you currently an elected or appointed public officer? Yes No

Please list the organization(s) you are presently active with and would represent on the CSTAC. Please provide the organization's name, nature of your activities and duties and approximate dates (*use additional paper if necessary*).

The Public Utilities Code requires a Citizens Advisory Committee but does not define membership criteria. Section 99238 of the Transportation Development Act established membership criteria for the Social Services Transportation Advisory Committee. Please place a check mark (✓) by the category/categories that apply to you:

- Potential transit user who is 60 years of age or older
- Potential transit user who is disabled
- Social service provider for seniors
- Social service transportation provider for seniors or the disabled
- Social service provider for the disabled
- Social service provider for persons of limited means

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