Multnomah County Bicycle and Pedestrian Community Advisory Committee



Staff Updates

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Transit Update

https://multco.us/programs/transit

Two of Multnomah County's job-connector shuttles, the Swan Island Evening Shuttle and the Troutdale Reynolds Industrial Park (TRIP) shuttle, will be concluding service at the end of January. The County has operated these shuttles since 2019 and 2020 respectively, and in fact saw record numbers of riders on the TRIP shuttle this fall. But this change represents a positive development, as both locations now benefit from expanded TriMet service in the form of their new Line 40 serving Swan Island, and additional service days on Line 81 serving TRIP.

We're looking forward to the opportunity to provide additional frequency along the route of ACCESS shuttle, which runs from the Cully neighborhood to the Parkrose neighborhood via the Columbia-Cornfoot-Alderwood corridor. We are also working to increase the use of our Rural On-Demand service, "Dial-a-Ride"

Budget Update

The County is facing a \$21 million General Fund shortfall for FY 2026, which starts July 1st.. The Chair instructed most departments, including DCS, to consider the impact that budget reductions between 8%, 10% and 12% would have on operations. Because the Transportation Division is funded by transportation-specific sources and not the General Fund, the constraint exercise does not apply, but it will apply to all other DCS divisions, including the director's office.

