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Goal # 1: Refine and Enhance Program Evaluation Methods

Outcome

Utilize improved processes for collecting data, tracking progress, and reporting enhanced performance metrics to more effectively monitor and communicate program impacts.

Activities

- a. Update and refine data collection and reporting processes.
- b. Simplify and standardize impact calculations by transitioning to using the <u>FHWA TDM ROI Calculator</u>, sharing best practices and lessons learned with other TDM programs across the state.
- c. Incorporate broader TDM impacts into the development of new, enhanced performance metrics. Impacts to be considered include, but are not limited to: reduced vehicle crashes, reduction in traffic congestion, deferral of new road construction, and improved personal health.
- d. Establish new program-performance benchmarks and metrics that encourage TDM Service Providers to move from baseline to achievement.

Goal # 2: Align Funding Cycles with Performance

Outcome

Ensure accountability and performance from the TDM Service Providers while providing them with the assurance and continuity of multi-year funding.

Activities

- a. Collaborate with the three program funders (NCDOT, CAMPO and DCHC MPO) to shift the current annual nature of funding to performance-based multi-year cycles in the future.
- b. Manage the available funds so that adequate levels of annual funding are available for new applicants and innovative projects.
- c. Determine the time interval for regularly updating the TDM Plan after multi-year funding cycles have been established.

Goal # 3: Expand Program Marketing and Outreach

Outcome

Create widespread awareness of the TDM program among commuters, policy makers, professionals and organizational staff leading to higher rate of alternative commuting.

Activities

a. Identify and engage new Service Providers critical to expanding the TDM program in the Triangle region.

- b. Place a renewed emphasis on using appropriate social media platforms for wider and better outreach.
- c. Organize educational events on alternative commuting for transportation and planning professionals in MPOs, local government, local transit and economic development agencies, and universities and colleges.
- d. Establish a regional information clearinghouse and e-library targeted to transportation professionals and associated stakeholders.
- e. Develop consensus and adopt Program branding including its usage by all Service Providers for their promotional items.
- f. Plan an annual regional event to promote alternative commute options.

Goal # 4: Get Innovative

Outcome

Take advantage of existing and emerging opportunities and nontraditional demand management strategies to keep pace with rapidly changing technologies and trends.

Activities

- a. Encourage innovative projects through the Triangle TDMs Request for Proposal (RFP) process.
- b. Engage in educational peer group learning and training activities to draw from TDM strategies successful elsewhere in the nation.
- c. Identify and promote opportunities for Service Providers to develop relationships with nontraditional TDM stakeholders, such as health providers, sustainability offices and parking operators.

Goal # 5: Integrate with Local and Regional Planning Efforts

Outcome

Establish the Triangle TDM Program as an indispensable component of local and regional programs, policies and plans.

Activities

- a. Conduct cross-departmental meetings to solicit support and opportunities for collaboration on TDM programming in traditional TDM-related planning efforts such as Metropolitan Transportation Plans, and Bike-Ped, Land-Use and Corridor Planning.
- b. Focus outreach to organizations located along corridors and in hotspots with significant transit investments.
- c. Work closely with MPOs and transportation planning staff to bring a regional planning focus on Triangle TDM hotspots and to include alternative commute data in their surveys and models.
- d. Maintain presence and voice in local and regional planning efforts on issues related to TDM.
- e. Benchmark overall program performance against internal program goals.