



**HUMBOLDT AREA CENTER FOR  
HARM REDUCTION**

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County of Humboldt  
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Dear Supervisor Wilson,

The organizations listed below are asking for your support and action as a representative of Humboldt County on the Humboldt Transit Authority Board of Directors to help us move forward with a proposal for a pilot project to accommodate the transportation needs of the most vulnerable residents in our communities. The project would provide funding for 100 monthly bus passes to be distributed largely through services providers affiliated with the Continuum of Care and nonprofit programs supporting our most transportation challenged community members, including those experiencing homelessness and individuals with disabilities.

This pilot program can be monitored by HTA using its existing data management system for bus passes. In anticipation of promoting equity, access and independence, data can be gathered on geographic locations, ridership frequency, and other factors of interest.

Pursuant to conversations with HTA General Manager Greg Pratt, it is our understanding that this pilot program would be eligible for funding through the state's Low-Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP), which provides formula-based funding to our region each year, and that the administrative burden on HTA staff would be minimal.

This pilot program would help to provide much-needed transportation for some of the most vulnerable members of our community, while at the same time providing additional ridership for HTA. We see it as a win-win, and we ask that you bring it the HTA Board of Directors for consideration as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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