



# **Community Mobility Design Challenge 2019**

## **Intro to Assumption Testing**

November 22, 2019

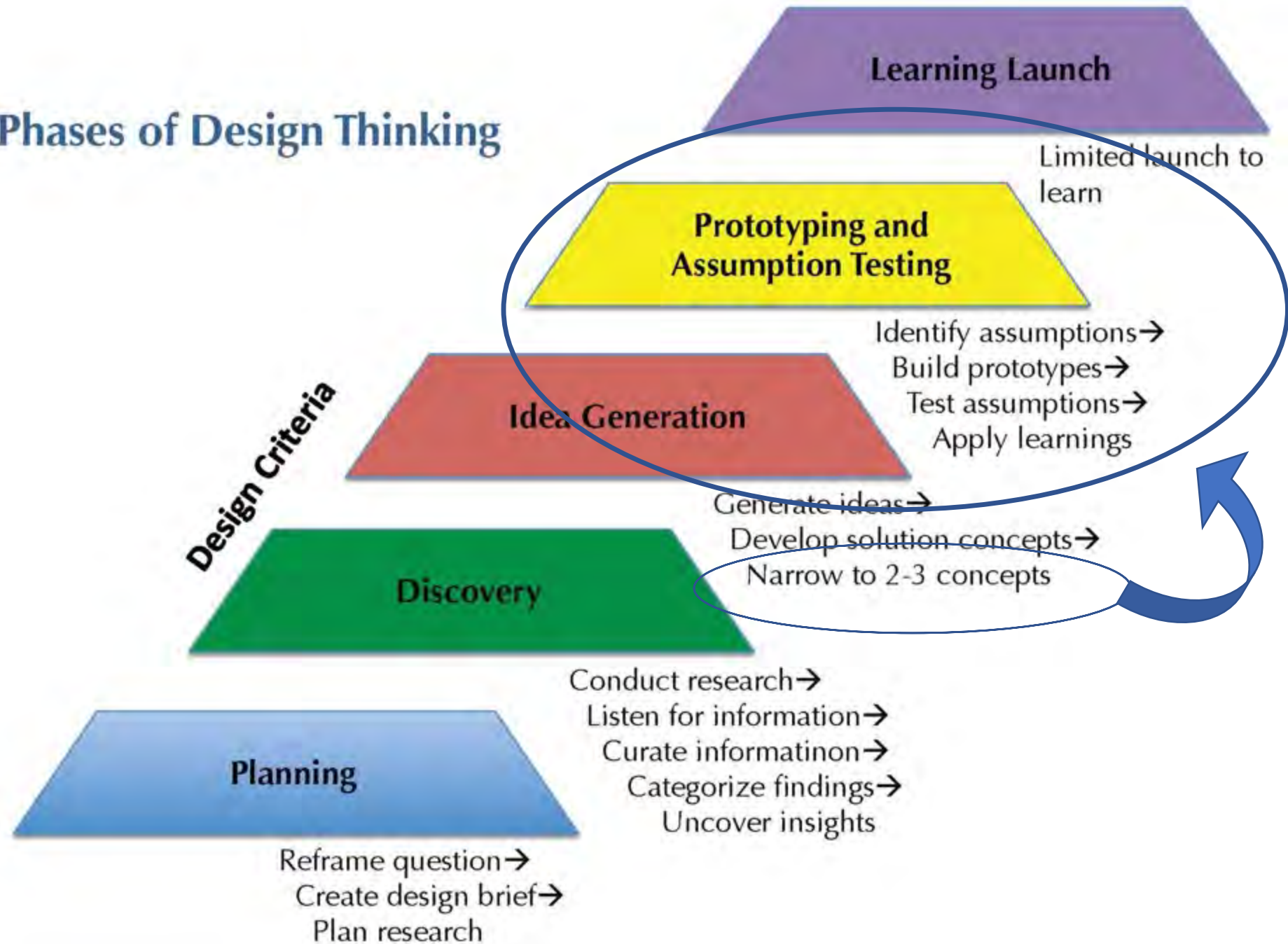
# Today's Agenda

- Intro to Assumption Testing and Prototyping
- Schedule Reminders
- Team Updates

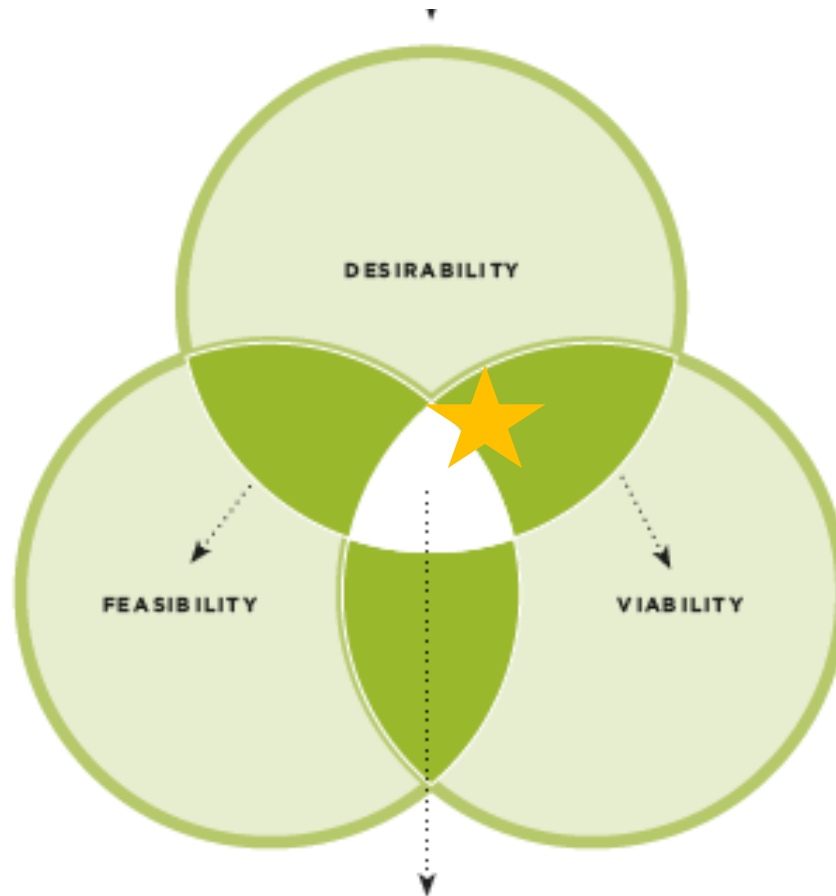
# Road Map

- August: Kick-off Team Activities
- Sept 9 – Nov 15: On-site workshops take place
- Nov – Dec: Concept Narrowing
- Jan - Feb: Prototyping and Assumption Testing
- Feb 28: End of Project
- March 15: Final Invoices Due
- April: Team Pitches

## Phases of Design Thinking



# The Goal: Solution “Sweet Spot”



The solutions that emerge at the end of the Human-Centered Design should hit the overlap of these three lenses; they need to be **Desirable, Feasible, and Viable**.

**Source:** IDEO Human-Centered Design Toolkit

**Is Each of Your Concepts a  
Fully Developed Idea?**

Are your awesome, BIG  
ideas clearly articulated?

Have you described them in enough  
detail to answer the question: How  
will this work?

# Concept Narrowing to 3 Concepts (with your facilitator)



# Assumption Testing and Co-Creation

# You are Sleuths

- Testing your hypotheses about your concepts – you may think they are good, but you don't yet know what others may think about it
- Your hypotheses rest on your assumptions: for your hypotheses about your concepts to be correct, you assume "X" is true. Now you need to test "X"



# How to Test “X” that Underlies your Concepts

- **Thought experiments** – Use logic and existing data in a mental process to test your assumption
- **In-person testing** – using prototypes, interact with customers and stakeholders to give them a chance to not just give feedback but co-create the next iteration of your concept

# Assumption Testing Worksheet

**Name of Concept: On-Demand Trips to Health Care for Patients**

**Test 1: User Desirability (This service will bring value to the lives of our customers so that they want to use it.)**

Step 1: Make a list of the general questions that you have about the concept from a standpoint of desirability by customers.

Step 2: Answer each question based on your best guess, or assumption. This answer should be phrased as an affirmative statement.

Step 3: Put a check mark next to each assumption that could make-or-break the success of the concept. That is, if this particular aspect failed, the whole concept would fail. We will focus on testing the assumptions that are essential to the success of the concept.

Step 4: Indicate how you will test the assumption through secondary research and analytics (e.g., web research, past findings) or through a test with your customers in-market. These tests will answer: What information would you need to collect in order to confirm or disprove each assumption? What would be the best ways to quickly and effectively get that information?

Step 5: Identify who will take the lead in testing each make-or-break assumption and by when.

Question	Assumption (Stated as an affirmative answer to the question.)	Make-or-Break?	Data needed to test (secondary, in-market, or both). Describe.	Lead person/Date
Will our target patient population be willing to use a new, unproven transportation service to go to health care appointments?	We will be able to create the needed trust among our target patient population so they will use our new service.	✓	- Discuss with partners their ability to act as intermediaries to introduce the service to their patients. - Bring prototypes of the service to a sampling of patients and get their feedback	Carolyn, by 9/1/18

# Co-Creation with Customers using Prototypes

# Co-creation allows us to find what resonates with users

- Helps us ensure that we're choosing the best elements from each solution for our higher fidelity prototype
- De-risks your project for future implementation
- Allows us to make changes before we've invested significant funds in developing our concept

# What is a Prototype?

- Simply, a visual representation of your idea
- Prototypes should be rough, low-fidelity, even 2-D – again leaving space for customers/stakeholders to engage with the prototype

# Types of Prototypes



# Sketches make ideas concrete.



# Storyboards put the solution in context.

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1 She goes to work and always thinks about it being a bit of a hassle to get to work on time.



2 She has a bit of trouble with the headset but she doesn't mind it. She thinks it's a bit of a hassle to get to work on time.



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## Rockingham Co.: "Communications Tool"



# On-Time Arrivals

Title On-Time Arrivals #1



What's Happening

Taking the bus, the client arrives on time for her first appointment with a case worker.

Title On-Time Arrivals #2



What's Happening

The case worker provides the client with a package of credits, discounts and coupons, including bus passes and free Lyft rides.

Title On-Time Arrivals #3



What's Happening

The next week, the client's bus is late. In a pinch, she uses her Lyft coupon to hail a free ride to her appointment.

Title On-Time Arrivals #4



What's Happening

Arriving at her appointment a few minutes late, she explains her situation with her case worker. The case worker then relays the story, and the effectiveness of the perks package, to a judge.



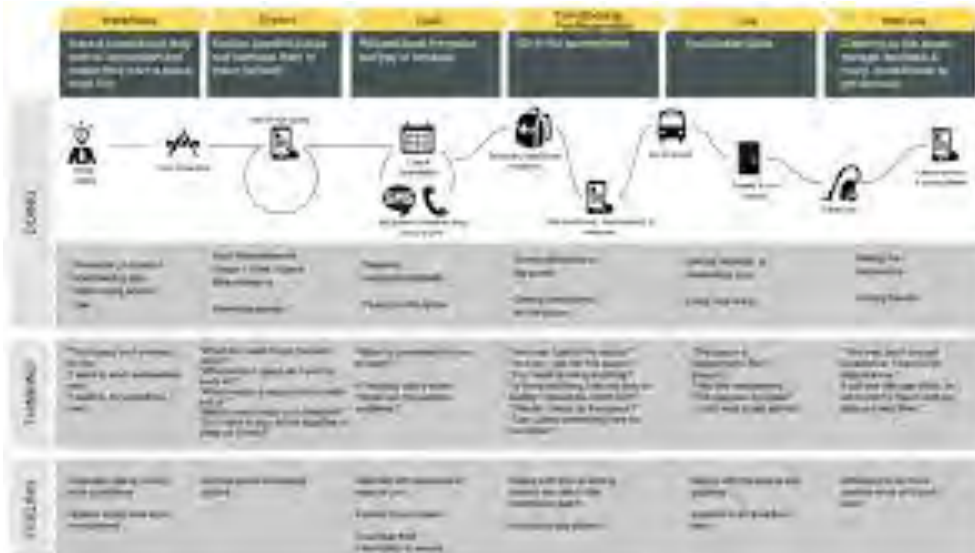
# Card Sort Activity



# Other prototype ideas



Service blueprint



Flow chart

Journey map

# Tips for Sharing Prototypes

1. Show, not Tell: Best way to get feedback without your own biases impacting that feedback
2. Talk 20% of the time, listen 80% of the time.
3. Create a no-selling zone. You are testing the potential of your idea—not convincing them it is a good idea.
4. Your idea is not precious or even right – the feedback is.
5. The customer has to be able to see themselves in the prototype to give you the best feedback

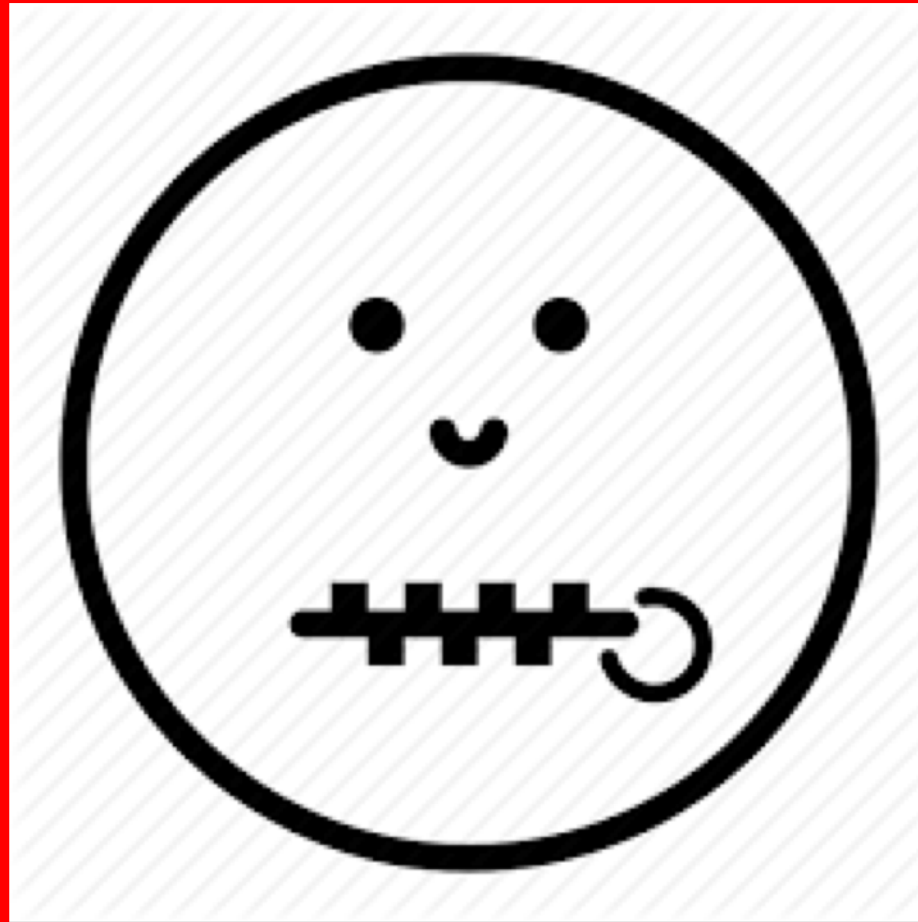
# Before sharing your prototype . . .

Set the context for your customer

“Through our research, we have come to realize that \_\_\_\_\_ is an issue, so we came up with an idea to help solve that issue. What you see in front of you represents part/all) of our idea. It is of course still a work in progress. We would love to get your feedback on what you see and how you interpret this. If you have any ideas to add to this, we’d love to hear them too!”



Then . . .



# After sharing your prototype . . .

Debrief your customer

“While you were doing X, what was going through your mind?”

“You seemed (add emotion – puzzled/amused/delighted) at one point. Can you tell me more about what you were thinking?”

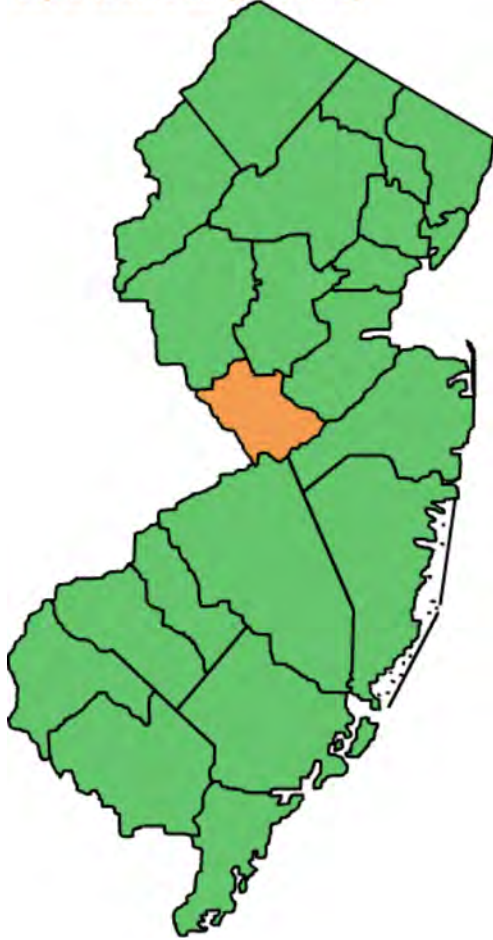
“What would you change about this idea?”

# Team Updates

ask teams to highlight  
design criteria (1 or 2)

How can the transportation  
community become part of solutions  
that enable low-income residents to  
become more fully engaged in  
**economic opportunities** in their  
community?

Map of Mercer County, New Jersey



# Mercer County, NJ

## **Team Leads:**

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## **Team members:**

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Greg Krykewycz, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission

Paulash Banerjee, Trenton Area Soup Kitchen

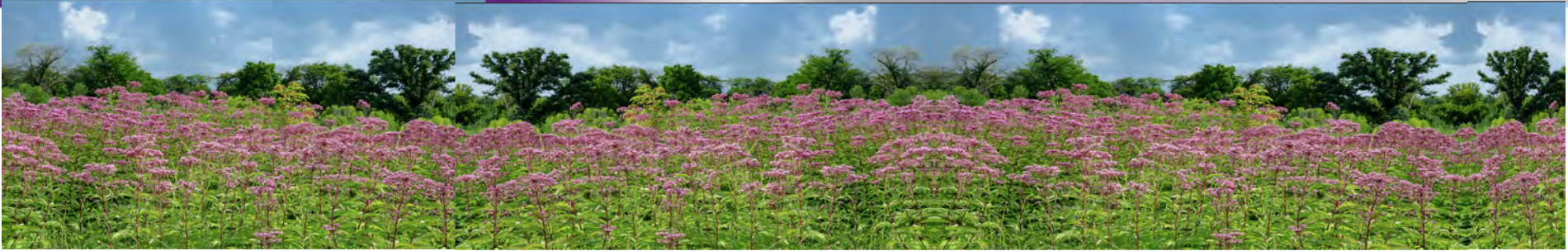
Matt Lawson, Mercer County Planning Division

Elena Peeples, East Trenton Collaborative Program

Thom Stead, Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission



How can the transportation  
community become part of efforts to  
improve the **health and well-being**  
of low-income residents in their  
community?



# Lee & Ogle Counties, IL

**Team Lead:** Kari Wolfe, LOTS

**Team members:**

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# Allen County, KS

## Team Leads :

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## Team members:

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Glenna Garcia, Southeast Kansas Mental Health Center

Rev. Daniel Davis, First Presbyterian Church







# Clark & Cowlitz Counties, WA

## Team leads:

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Anna Riedel, Kaiser Permanente



## Team members:

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Amy Elkinton, Citizen  
Diana Avalos-Leos, SW Washington Accountable  
Community of Health  
Sue Neal, Battle Ground HealthCare  
Alexandra Holbrook, PeaceHealth  
Nina Davenport, AAA & Disabilities of SW Washington  
Aideet Pineda, Molina Healthcare  
Yasmina Akin, Clark County Public Health  
Anna Willis, WA State Department of Social and Health  
Services  
Carolyn Noack, Free Clinic of SW Washington  
Daniel Smith, Community Health Plan of Washington  
Harry Kiick, Citizen

# Washington Solutions

- **Party Bus Destinations**

Deviated fixed route shuttle service which picks up riders from rural locations with high senior populations within rotating service areas; providing transportation to healthcare and/or SDoH locations while working to decrease isolation and loneliness through the use of activity coordinators on vehicles to promote personal interaction and community building.

- **Jeriatric Jet Service**

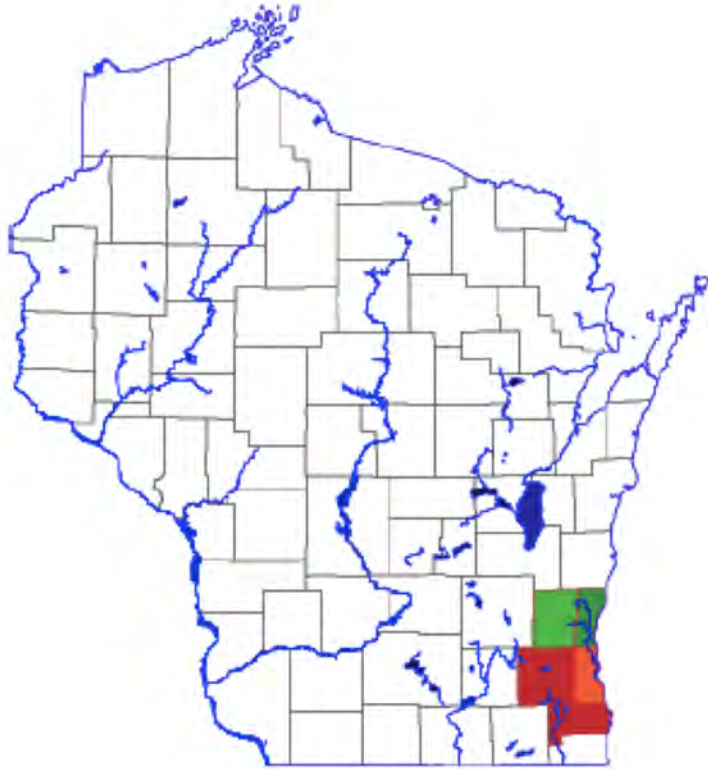
Deviated fixed route shuttle service providing transportation to those in rural locations. Service would provide group trips to common destinations where healthcare and SDoH needs can be met, while connecting with pre-scheduled volunteer drivers to transport riders for needs outside of HUB location.

- **Destination Deviation**

Provides deviated fixed route within rotating service areas to HUB location where healthcare and SDoH needs can be met. When vehicle is not operating it would provide shuttle service for riders to access more than one need/destination within the HUB location. Local healthcare providers would have the ability to reserve a seat on behalf of their client to ensure access to healthcare and reduce missed medical appointments. Pre-scheduled connections with volunteer drivers for needs outside of HUB locations would be available.

How can the transportation  
community become part of  
solutions to empower low-  
income residents to become  
**integrated into their community?**

# Southeast, WI



## **Team Leads:**

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Corie Dejno, Interfaith Caregivers of Washington County

## **Team members:**

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Ben Callif, Bader Philanthropies

Joy Neilson, Ozaukee & Washington County Transit Services

Jennifer Brost Sarnecki, Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission



# Reminders and Updates from your NCMM team



# Phase 3 Specific Reporting

## For each solution:

Complete the tables for **Customer Desirability**, **Operational Feasibility**, and **Financial Viability**, included in the reporting package, based on your activities during the month, e.g., ), and score each solution concept from 1-5 based on the following criteria:

Your Solutions	<b>Customer Desirability*</b> (your solution will be wanted and desired by customers)	<b>Operational Feasibility*</b> (you have the necessary partnerships, technology, operations, policies, capital stock, etc., to successfully launch the solution)	<b>Fiscal Viability*</b> (you have the revenue from funders, customers, and other sources to cover your expected costs)
<b>Solution Concept 1:</b>			

Please share photos or representations of any prototypes your team created and of your co-creation sessions

# Monthly Reporting Requirements

## Budget Modifications

- **Why:** The design challenge process is iterative and requires flexibility – we want to make sure your budget can be adjusted as your project does
- **What:** Please submit a table showing previous and proposed budgets, and an explanation for the change.
- **How:** Submit budget modification requests to [king@ctaa.org](mailto:king@ctaa.org) and [conrick@ctaa.org](mailto:conrick@ctaa.org)
- **When:** Need to have a budget modification request submitted at least 1 week prior to your monthly report submission to allow time for NCMM staff to consider your request

# Upcoming Webinars

**Wednesday, December 18, 2:00 - 3:00 pm ET**

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/4592397395>

Call-in: (929) 436-2866 **Meeting ID:** 459 239 7395

**Wednesday, January 15, 2:00-3:00 pm ET**

Link: <https://zoom.us/j/4592397395>

Call-in: (929) 436 2866 **Participant Code:** 459 239 7395

**April!**

In-person meeting with team leads to deliver final business pitches.

More information to come soon.



Your dedicated page: [nc4mm.org/challenge-2019](https://nc4mm.org/challenge-2019)

Look under Resource Pages for

- Templates for planning assumption testing
- Archived webinar + slides

# Questions?

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