






Connections 2026

Escambia County's
10-Year Transit Development Plan

Discussion Group Workshop

June 2016






Presentation Overview

- What is a TDP?
- Baseline Conditions
- Transit Demand Assessment
- Public Outreach
- 10-Year Needs
- Today's Workshop



What is a TDP?

- 10-year strategic plan for transit
 - Evaluate demographics & travel behavior
 - Assess existing transit options
 - Conduct public involvement & outreach
 - Determine transit needs
 - Develop service & implementation plans
- FDOT requirement
- Incorporates best practices



What is a TDP?

Components of the TDP process:


- Evaluate baseline conditions
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- Develop service & implementation plans
- Develop financial plan



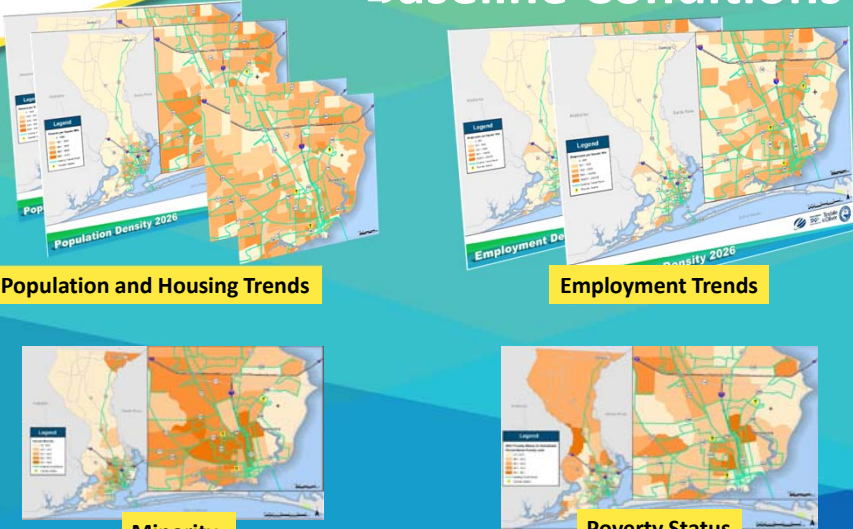
What we have completed so far

Connections 2026 TDP process:

- ✓ Evaluated baseline conditions
- ✓ Assessed existing transit options
- ✓ Conducted Phase I Public Outreach
- ✓ Determined transit needs
 - Develop service & implementation plans
 - Develop financial plan



Baseline Conditions

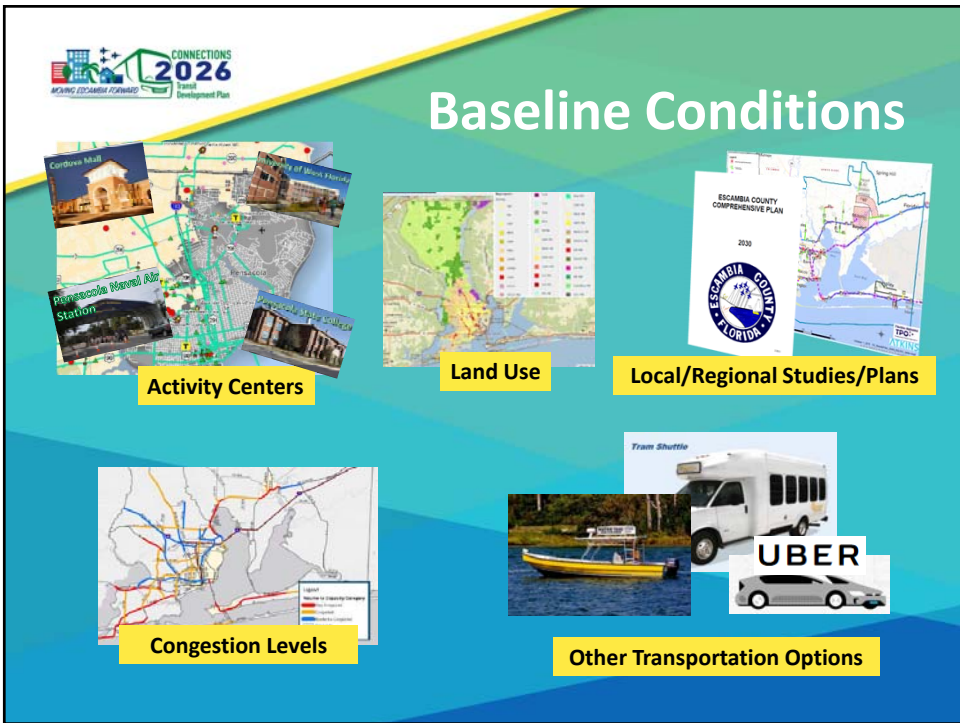
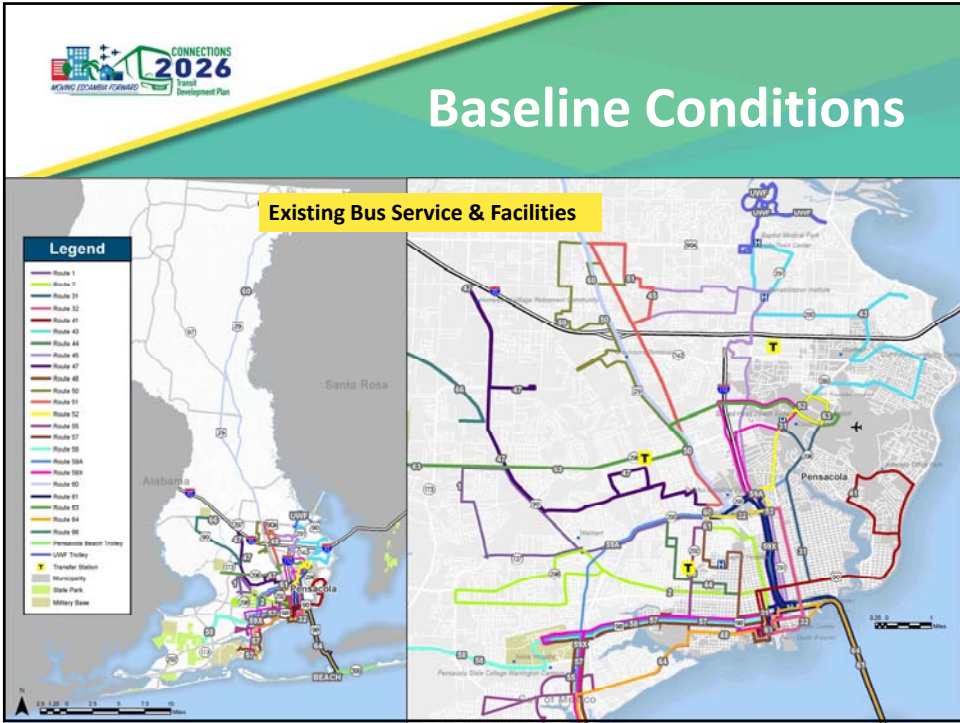



Population and Housing Trends

Employment Trends

Minority

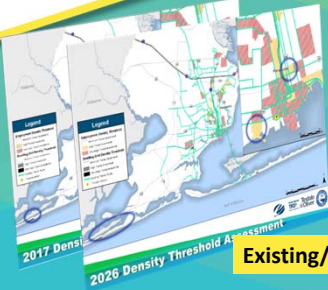
Poverty Status





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Transit Demand Assessment



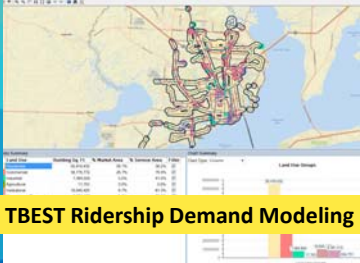
2017 Density
2026 Density Threshold Assessment

Level of Transit Investment	Dwelling Unit Density Threshold ¹	Employment Density Threshold ²
Minimum Investment	4.5-5 dwelling units/acre	4 employees/acre
High Investment	6-7 dwelling units/acre	5-6 employees/acre
Very High Investment	≥8 dwelling units/acre	≥7 employees/acre


Existing/Future Discretionary Markets



Traditional Markets




TBEST Ridership Demand Modeling

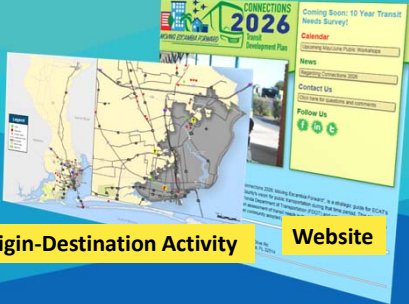


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Public Outreach


- Public workshops
- Discussion groups
- Bus rider survey
- Bus operator survey
- General public survey
- Website/email/Facebook
- Grassroots efforts
 - Palafox Market
 - Gallery Night
 - Pensacola State College







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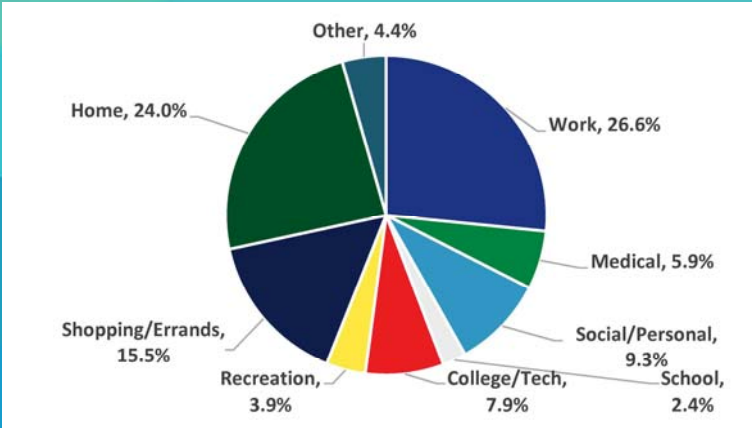



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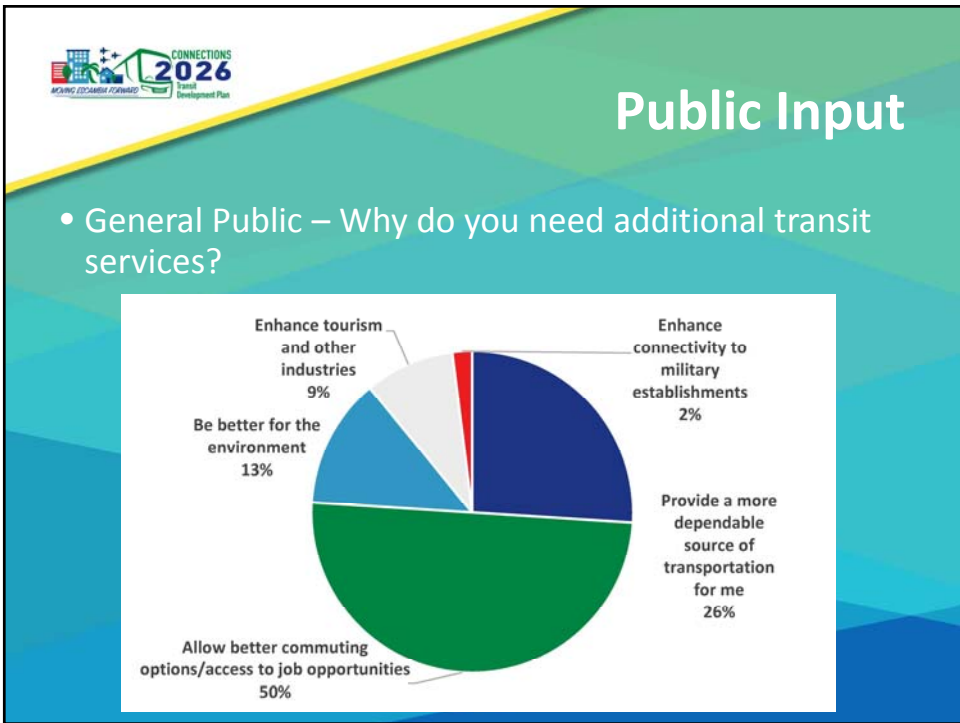
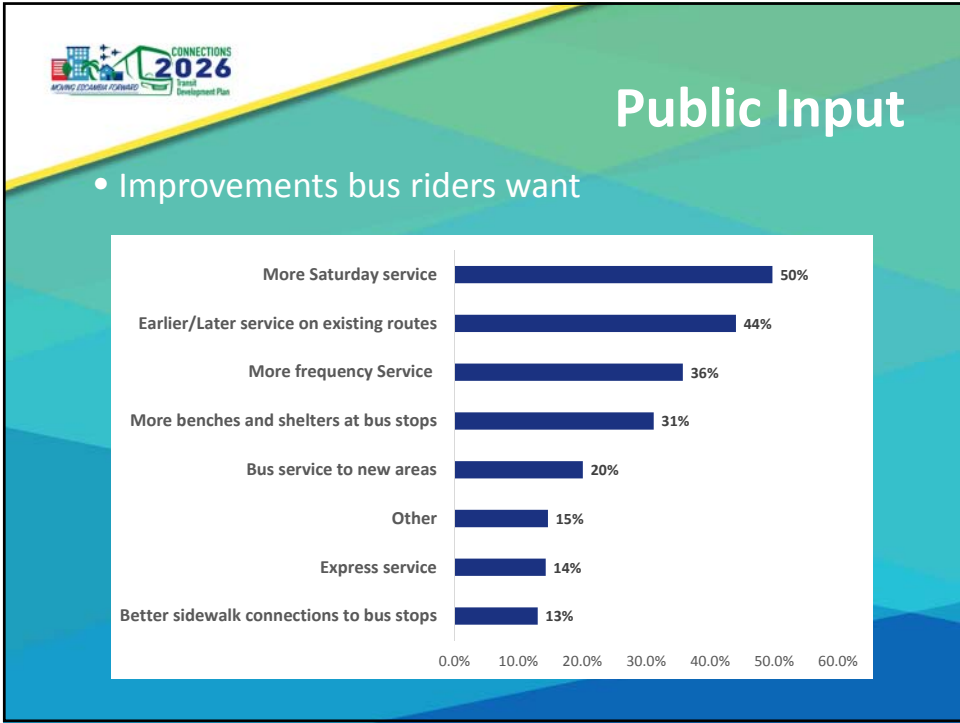


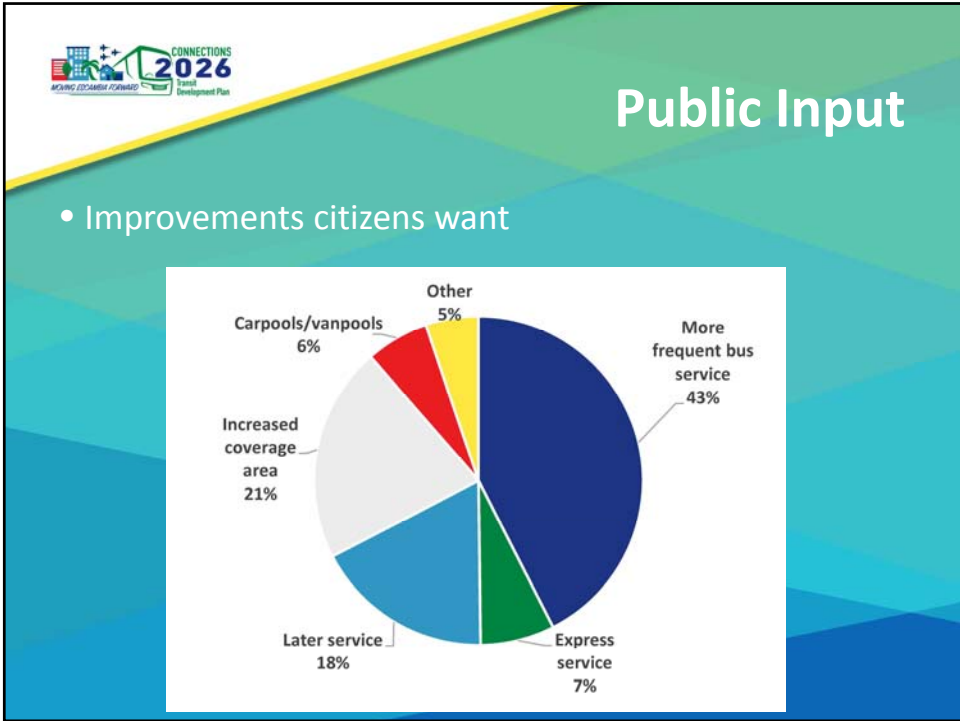
Public Input

- Bus Riders - Where are they going?



Destination	Percentage
Work	26.6%
Home	24.0%
Shopping/Errands	15.5%
Medical	5.9%
Social/Personal	9.3%
College/Tech	7.9%
Recreation	3.9%
School	2.4%
Other	4.4%





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- Stakeholder Input**
- 10 Stakeholders interviewed
 - County/city governments, business, military, and universities
 - Needs identified
 - Access to training and educational opportunities
 - Connections to Naval Air Station Pensacola & Navy Federal Credit Union
 - Easier fee structure
 - Smaller buses in some areas
 - Regional connections
 - Dedicated funding source
- The figure is a slide titled 'Stakeholder Input' containing a bulleted list of findings from 10 interviews. The list is organized into two main categories: '10 Stakeholders interviewed' and 'Needs identified'. The 'Needs identified' category includes seven specific items: access to training and educational opportunities, connections to Naval Air Station Pensacola & Navy Federal Credit Union, easier fee structure, smaller buses in some areas, regional connections, and a dedicated funding source. The slide features the same blue and green geometric background as the 'Public Input' slide. In the top left corner, there is a logo for 'CONNECTIONS 2026' with the tagline 'MOVING TOGETHER FORWARD' and 'Transit Development Plan'.



Bus Operator Input

- Need for more frequent service
- Later service until 10 PM
- Route extensions/additional coverage areas
- More shelters and benches



10-Year Transit Needs

Expand Existing Services

Double Frequency on Routes 1, 2, 32, 43, 52, 55

Add Later Service

Increase Saturday Frequency

Add Sunday Service on Routes 2, 32, 45, 52, 55

Extend Route 47 to Nine Mile Road

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Add New Services

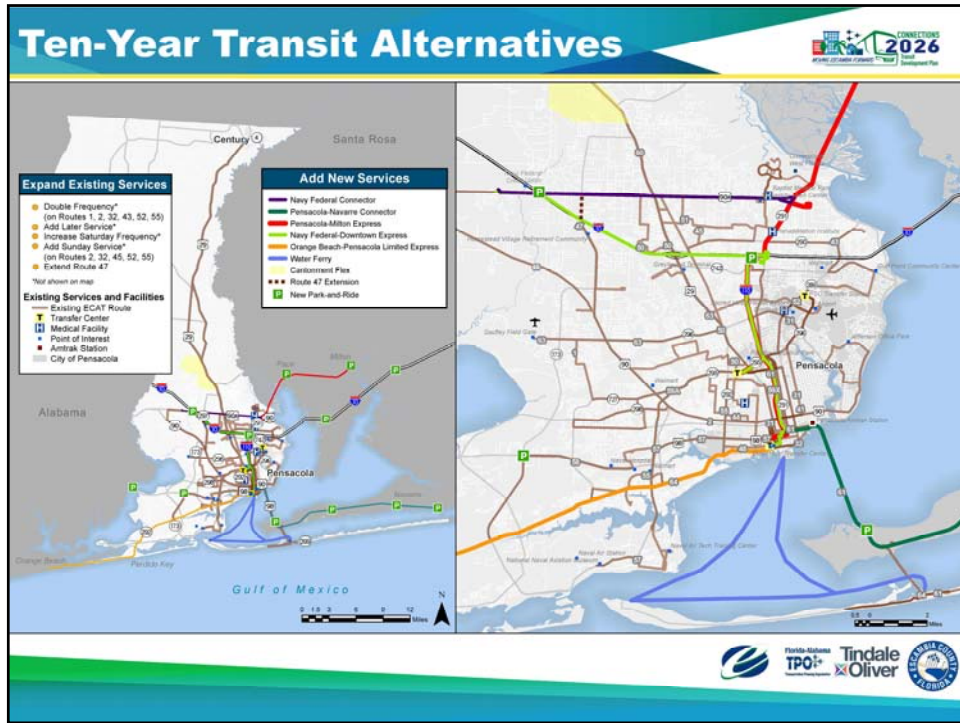
- Navy Federal Connector
- Pensacola-Navarre Connector
- Pensacola-Milton Express
- Navy Federal-Downtown Express
- Orange Beach-Pensacola Limited Express
- Water Ferry
- Cantonment Flex
- New Park-and-Ride Lots

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10-Year Transit Needs

Flex Route Service Concept for Cantonment Area

- Flex-Route service
- Fixed-route alignment
- Scheduled timepoint
- Flex-Service area
- ◇ Pick-ups and drop-offs based on rider requests





10- Year Transit Needs

- Capital
 - New vehicles
 - Park-and-ride lots
 - New ECAT transfer center
 - Technology improvements
 - Transit Signal Priority
 - Bus stop infrastructure
 - Bus stop safety/ADA accessibility improvements






10- Year Transit Needs

- Other improvements
 - Transit marketing program expansion
 - Transportation Demand Management
 - Land development regulations
 - Parking policies
 - Partnerships
 - Ferry connections
 - Uber
 - Shared parking agreements



Today's Discussion



- How should we plan for transit service over the next 10 years?
 - **Review draft transit needs map**
 - **Complete a survey to tell us:**
 - How should we improve current bus service
 - Where should we provide new service