January 16, 2018

Subject: Invitation to Participate in Transit Connections Focus Group

Greetings!

The Tucson Department of Transportation is developing a list of recommendations that will make stronger and better connections to our Frequent Transit Network - a network of routes that run buses every 15 minutes or less (map at www.suntran.com/FTN.php). The types of recommended actions may include making physical improvements – such as sidewalks, bicycle facilities, first-/last-mile connection options, and car and bicycle parking – as well as policy and procedural changes. A Focus Group reflecting a spectrum of perspectives is being assembled to help accomplish this overarching task.

A professional facilitator will lead a series of ad hoc meetings that will engage the Focus Group on targeted issues and questions. An interdisciplinary team of City staff advisors from Tucson Department of Transportation, Sun Tran, Planning & Development Services, and Tucson Police Department will be involved in this effort. Meetings will involve opportunities to provide feedback that will ultimately help inform the list of recommended actions that will be presented to the Mayor and City Council.

We have saved a seat for one representative from your organization (see attached list of organizations being invited to participate). By Friday, February 9, please email or call me with your organizational representative’s name: jennifer.toothaker@tucsonaz.gov or 520.837.6648. If there are questions or concerns, please feel welcome to contact me.

**Participation Details**

- **Expected Outcome:** A list of Recommended Actionable Items that incorporates the Focus Group’s feedback
- **1 person per organization** (no alternates, please)
- **Commit to attend 5-7 meetings between February 22 – July 2018**

**First Meeting:** Thursday, February 22, 2018
9am-11am
Tucson Department of Transportation, 201 N Stone
4th Floor LARGE Conf Room

We ask Focus Group representatives to complete a Doodle.com schedule poll to confirm attendance at the Feb. 22nd meeting, and to identify future meeting dates: [https://doodle.com/poll/p79y5ndv8wzh5dy9](https://doodle.com/poll/p79y5ndv8wzh5dy9)

We are looking forward to the conversation with you!

Jennifer Toothaker
Project Manager

Attachment: Transit Connections Focus Group Invitees List
TRANSIT CONNECTIONS FOCUS GROUP

Invites
A representative from each of the following stakeholders will be invited to participate in meetings to provide input and recommendations:

- 2012 Bond Oversight Commission
- Bicycle Advisory Committee, Tucson-Pima County
- Commission on Disability Issues (or UA Disability Resources Center)
- Park Tucson Commission
- Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- Transit Task Force
- Bus Riders Union
- Downtown Tucson Partnership
- Fourth Avenue Merchants Association
- Living Streets Alliance
- Marshall Foundation / Main Gate Square
- Mercado San Agustin
- Regional Transportation Authority/Pima Association of Governments
- Rio Nuevo Multipurpose Facilities District
- School Districts (TUSD, Amphitheater, Sunnyside, Catalina Foothills, Flowing Wells)
- Southern Arizona Transit Association
- Tucson Metro Chamber of Commerce
- Tucson Young Professionals
- University of Arizona Transportation and Parking Services