

# Transportation

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# 5-Year Plan: Transportation Goals & Objectives



**Goal 4.1** Advocate for a minimum of 5 new or amended state or public programs, policies or practices per year that increase accessible public transportation options

- **4.1.1** Continue to support efforts to increase funding to develop public transportation infrastructure
- **4.1.2** Advocate for the creation of a statewide public transportation board **(DONE)**
- **4.1.3** Advocate for transportation changes in Medicaid and waiver regulations/policies
- **4.1.4** Advocate with the Anchorage Assembly and community leaders for more accessible taxi service in Anchorage

# Transportation Accomplishments



- We have continued to support efforts to increase funding to develop public transportation infrastructure
- A statewide public transportation board has been created
- We have continued to advocate for transportation changes in Medicaid and waiver regulations/policies
- In 2013, the Taxi Ordinance was passed, which included approximately 80% of our priorities for accessible taxi service in Anchorage
- The Wings for Autism event in March was a very big success
  - It allowed individuals with autism and other intellectual/developmental disabilities and their families the chance to rehearse the travel process:
    - from check in to screening,
    - from boarding to taxing around in the plane.
    - Both TSA and Alaska Airlines staff did very well with respect to working with people with various disabilities

# Transportation Recommendations

- 1) Advocate for transportation changes in Medicaid and Waiver regulations and policies
- 2) Provide technical assistance to help communities establish coordinated accessible transportation options
- 3) Collaborate with the Alaska Mobility Coalition to enhance transportation options statewide
- 4) Develop and promote training on disability etiquette for TSA agents, taxi drivers and public transportation providers



# Alaska Mobility Coalition (AMC) Priorities:

- Continue to advocate for accessible travel options for residents and visitors with disabilities, including accessible hotel courtesy vehicles and taxis
- Assist the TSA to develop an option for individuals with disabilities to practice screening at the airport in advance of a travel day
- Provide technical assistance to help communities establish coordinated accessible transportation options



# FY15 Priorities Discussion: **Transportation**

- At this time we will utilize the large post-it notes to compile everyone's suggestions for our FY 15 transportation priorities.

