FACT has Moved!

The FACT office has moved to a new location at 600 Mission Avenue, Oceanside, to accommodate FACT’s growth in staff and services.

The new office is centrally located in downtown Oceanside and is close to North County Transit District (NCTD) and transit.

With the award of recent grants, FACT is preparing to hire two staff members and implement two new services, MedRIDE and MedAccessRIDE.

SANDAG Grant Awards

FACT was awarded Senior Mini Grant and New Freedom grants during fiscal year 2010-2011. FACT will be implementing two services for seniors and individuals with disabilities. MedRIDE, funded by a TransNet Senior Mini Grant, will provide a county-wide, door-to-door transportation service to and from medical and medically related destinations for seniors age 60+. MedAccessRIDE, funded by the New Freedom Grant, will provide medical transportation services for persons with disabilities. Both programs are tentatively scheduled to begin in late 2011.

Newly Elected and Appointed Positions

FACT appointed Scott Transue to the Technical Advisory Committee; he will replace Alayne Haynes, a long-time member of the FACT community. TAC is an advisory committee to the FACT Board of Directors along with the Council on Access and Mobility (CAM). There are currently five TAC members: Floyd Willis (Aging and Independence Services), Brent Boyd (MTS), Mac McGee (ACT), Scott Transue (NCTD) and Dan Levy (SANDAG).

FACT selected Ben Macias as the second representative on the Social Services Transportation Action Committee. FACT has two seats on SSTAC; the other seat is held by Executive Director, Arun Prem.

SANDAG designated Dave Roberts as the Transportation Committee (TC) representative to the FACT Board of Directors. Dave currently sits on the TC as a representative for the City of Solana Beach. Dave is the Vice Chair of the FACT Board.

CAM members appointed Ben Macias of the City Link Foundation as Chair, and Todd Lordson of the San Diego Regional Center as the Vice Chair to lead CAM in the development of its mission, goals, and membership criteria. CAM recently agreed to hold bi-monthly meetings and will alternate locations between North and South County. There are currently about twenty-five CAM members comprised of public, private and social services transportation providers.

FACT has New Staff

Meagan Schmidt joined FACT in March as Administrative Assistant. She has a degree in Communications and previously worked as Administrative Assistant for a major corporation in San Diego. Meagan also worked for the San Diego Superior Court, in the Minor Offense Division (Traffic) while attending Cal State San Marcos.

Kelly McGrane and Patty Pauletto are still part of the FACT team as Service Development Manager and Mobility Coordinator!