



CAM Meeting Summary

Tuesday, November 14, 2023, 1:30 PM

1. Introductions and updates:

- Chair Marilyn Greenblatt (JFS) welcomed everyone and introductions were made. Adrianna Yehempte (Travelers Aid) said they are trying to do more outreach events to increase their numbers in San Diego.

2. SANDAG updates:

- Ben Gembler said SANDAG continues to prepare for Cycle 2 Call for Projects. The first full quarter of Cycle 1 reporting is being submitted by SANDAG to CPUC, the funding source for the AFA grant.
- Zach Rivera gave a presentation of the STGP Cycle 13 Call for Projects to clarify grant types and funding sources. An STGP Cycle 13 Call for Projects kickoff meeting took place on October 10, 2023. The purpose of that meeting was to gather input on the region's specialized transportation needs and solicit feedback on the STGP Program Goal.
- Zach said SANDAG plans to hold a specialized transportation workshop in February, 2024 to focus on the project selection criteria, and presented the upcoming timeline. He reminded everyone to check out their website for more information and resources.

3. CTSA and FACT Services update:

- Arun gave an October 20th Transportation Committee meeting update where several CAM members commented on behalf of their agencies regarding funding. He said FACT is the CTSA in San Diego County, differentiating it from other nonprofits in the region. FACT seeks funding that does not pose a conflict with other agencies and is sustainable. He said that all agencies should have sustainable, reliable funding to serve the needs of the region.
- Arun thanked those who spoke in support of FACT at the TC meeting and said it is good for the different agencies to discuss funding.
- Additional discussions regarding funding will take place at the next TC Meeting scheduled on December 15th. Marcy Roke (Travelers Aid) said CAM, as a group, should figure out how to bring more funding into the region. Arun concurred with Marcy regarding CAM's need to engaged and participate in the funding process, and appreciates that there appears to be more involvement.
- Zach said SANDAG added lobbying for specialized transportation to its legislative program at the state and federal levels in 2022.
- Ben said the AFA program is not sustainable and has a sunset date within a few years. The data collected will determine state level sustainability.
- Ali Poorman said FACT continues to receive Kaiser and 211 referral transportation tracking.
- Ali reminded everyone that FACT's bilingual Code of Conduct is available if needed.
- FACT's AFA mobile app is now available through the Apple and Google Stores, and will work in conjunction with the five designated vehicle tablets.

- FACT staff will receive training for the mobile app and tablets through Ecolane at the beginning of December.
- RideFACTNOW ridership continues to increase monthly. Prescheduled rides appear to be preferable over on-demand rides. On-demand rides are numbered at 15%-20% of all trips, with the remaining categorized as prescheduled.

4. CAM Member Discussions:

- Arun gave an update regarding the FACT's 17th Annual Board of Directors Meeting on Tuesday, December 5th at 8:30am in the Nautilus Room in Coronado's Community Center. Arun asked that a representative from CAM give a short presentation at the meeting.
- Christian Hernandez gave an update regarding a proposed three tier fare based on distance. He welcomed feedback from CAM members.

5. Upcoming Meetings, Conferences and Events:

- Nov. 15, 2023: Age Well Transportation & Community Connections Team meeting
- 2023 FACT Annual Meeting – December 5, 2023, 8:30am Coronado Community Center, Coronado