

# Planning & Coordination Council

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## **REGIONAL TRANSIT VISIONING**

**November 19, 2015**

**Regional Transit Partnership Study for  
Charlottesville-Albemarle MPO Region**



# History

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- Three transit agencies operate independently with some interagency cooperation
- Three transit agencies perform different primary missions
  - CAT – Service to City and very nearby residents and workers
  - JAUNT – Paratransit and specialized service to the CAT service area with general and specialized service to rural residents within the extended region
  - UTS – Service to UVA students, faculty & staff around UVA grounds

# Opportunity

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- The MPO has budgeted for FY16 & FY17 a nominal amount of funds to work with the three transit agencies to explore and identify needs for more cooperation, obstacles to more cooperation, and opportunities for more joint communication, funding, governance and services.
- The MPO does not intend to pursue without the direction of the governing bodies of Albemarle, Charlottesville and University of Virginia.

# Review

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- Transit service area boundaries of current and potential future regional service.
- SWOT analysis of alternative cooperative options.
- A range of governance and partnership structure options, identifying the benefits and limitations of each, along with a final recommendation on a transit governance structure for the region.
- Review of current and potential federal, state, local and private funding sources and expenditures for expanded service with consolidated service control. Including funding changes to produce expanded rural service.
- Analysis of the potential of the recommended structure to support the development of the transit network into an overall regional transportation plan.

# Actions

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- Meet as needed to direct MPO staff and to help supply data (expected duration of 8 - 12 months)
- Formalize a scope of work
- Formalize projected study outcome
- Identify peer regional partnerships
- Outreach to regional leaders
- Update PACC quarterly
- Analyze input, data & experiences to produce written recommendations to PACC.