

PRE-APPLICATION

TGM Program Services 2016

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Pre-Applicant Information

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Type of Request

Grant Project Categories

- Transportation System Planning
- Integrated Land Use and Transportation Planning

Direct Community Assistance Programs

- Code Assistance
- Quick Response
- Education and Outreach
- TSP Assessment

Project Title

Salem-Keizer Sidewalk Network Gaps Inhibiting Walk Access to Fixed-Route Buses and Increasing CherryLift and RED Line Ridership

Description of Issue

Salem and Keizer have many neighborhoods without adequate sidewalk infrastructure and also disconnected street networks that limit older adults and persons with disabilities from accessing fixed-route transit service. Many people are forced to rely on Salem-Keizer Transit's complementary ADA paratransit (CherryLift) or a demand responsive service for seniors and people with disabilities called the RED Line Dial-a-Ride.

Project Objectives/Expected Outcomes

This project will examine sidewalk and street network data from cities and counties to determine where public investments could best be made to improve access to transit. A consultant would be utilized to interview CherryLift and RED Line customers who would be able to use the fixed-route transit system if they had better access via the local street grid and sidewalk network. The final recommendation report will allow cities, counties, and the State to prioritize investments in street, sidewalk, and pedestrian path improvements to improve the access to transit for seniors and people with disabilities. Improving the sidewalk infrastructure and street grid will benefit everyone in these neighborhoods with poor connectivity. Not just transit riders. The high cost of ADA paratransit is underfunded by federal and state sources, and the more people we can save by getting people to use fixed-route public transit services, the more bus service transit districts will be able to provide the communities they serve.

Estimated Budget

\$72,300.00