

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-office Communication

Date: 8/18/2023

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Donna Brown-Martin, Director, Department of Transportation
Denise Wandke, President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System

Subject: From the Director, Department of Transportation and the President and Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System, providing an Informational Report regarding MCTS Transit Safety and Security Taskforce Updates.

File Type: Informational Report

BACKGROUND

At its July 17, 2023, meeting, the MCTS Transit Safety and Security Taskforce met to discuss a list of possible recommendations for future consideration by the Transportation and Transit Committee.

One of the recommendations included creation of positions in the Housing Division of the Department of Health and Human Services that would work with MCTS staff to identify chronically unhoused riders, often referred to as extended riders. To that end, MCTS and DHHS staff have assembled a team develop a framework for working proactively on these issues.

Another recommendation includes support from the Sheriff's Office. The Department of Transportation, MCTS and Sheriff's Office representatives are scheduling a meeting to discuss the recommendation further. Additional information, as an outcome of the meeting, is expected to be available by the time of the September Transportation and Transit Committee meeting.

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Describe how the item aligns to the strategic plan:

- 2A: Determine what, where, and how we deliver services to advance health equity.
- 2B: Break down silos across County government to maximize access to and quality of services offered.

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

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