



# Helping seniors live more independently

## THE PROBLEM

**SENIORS CAN'T GET WHERE THEY NEED TO GO IN SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN.**

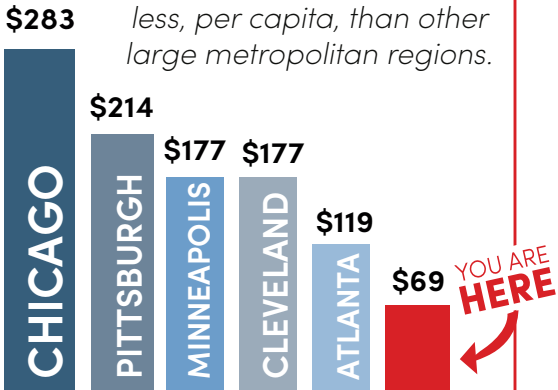
**Over 20 percent of older adults 65+ do not drive.<sup>1</sup>**

**Seniors outlive their ability to drive by 7-10 years on average,** but still need to get to doctors and grocery stores, and to visit their families.<sup>2</sup>

**68 percent of seniors aged 65-79 in metro Detroit have poor access to transit,** totaling 445,000 seniors and ranking Detroit fourth worst among large metro regions nationally.<sup>3</sup>

**BECAUSE WE DON'T INVEST ENOUGH IN REGIONAL TRANSIT.<sup>3</sup>**

*Southeast Michigan spends less, per capita, than other large metropolitan regions.*



## THE SOLUTION

Vote **YES** for Regional Transit to **connect Southeast Michigan** and increase independence for seniors and people with disabilities, get people to work and boost economic development.



Connecting Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties with reliable regional transit will cost the average homeowner **\$96 per year.**



The proposal's **Taxpayer Protection Clause** guarantees against an increase, renewal or redirection of any money dedicated to connecting Southeast Michigan's four counties, unless pre-approved by the voters.

## THE BENEFITS

Connected regional transit will help seniors maintain independence and mobility across Southeast Michigan's four counties: Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties.

The Regional Master Transit Plan **increases specialized transit funding by 33 percent**, providing on-demand service across the four-county region that ensures seniors can maintain independence and get where they need to go.

## OUR SUPPORTERS

More than 150 groups have come together to **ensure independence for seniors**, including:

- **Beaumont Health**
- **Detroit Medical Center**
- **Henry Ford Health Systems**
- **Jewish Family Service of Metropolitan Detroit**
- **Jewish Senior Life of Metropolitan Detroit**
- **Presbyterian Villages of Michigan**
- **Senior Power Days on Belle Isle Park**
- **St. John Providence**
- **The Senior Alliance**

**VOTE *yes!* FOR REGIONAL TRANSIT ON NOVEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>!**



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<sup>1</sup> AARP  
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<sup>3</sup> Transportation for America  
<sup>4</sup> SEMCOG  
<sup>5</sup> A Coalition for Transit (ACT) paid media ad, "Beth"  
<sup>6</sup> National Transit Database  
<sup>7</sup> Regional Transit Authority of Southeast Michigan  
<sup>8</sup> Michigan Department of Transportation, "Economic Impact Analysis (EIA) of Draft RMTSP"