

## **Baltimore** Regional Transportation **Board Attitudes & Behavior** Study April 25, 2017







FOURSQUARE INTEGRATED TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

# Methodology

### **Study Area**



#### **Sampling Plan**



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## Current Travel and Attitudes

### **Commute Travel**



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CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR COMMUTE IF IT WERE AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED



#### **Personal Travel**



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CONSIDERATION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR PERSONAL TRIPS IF IT WERE AVAILABLE WHEN NEEDED



## **Ratings of Public Transit Modes**



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#### Overall Impression of Mode



#### **Segmentation Analysis**

#### **Road Worriers**

Road Worriers		19% of area residents
	Counties	31% of Howard County residents 28% of Anne Arundel County residents
	Mode Usage	32% use public transit 59% of commutation trips SOV, 21% by public transit Average commute is 44 minutes 50% of personal trips by SOV, 4% by public transit
	Transit Friendly Attitudes	<ul> <li>78% would consider commuting by public transit</li> <li>62% would consider public transit for personal travel</li> <li>84% consider driving during rush hour to be very stressful</li> <li>74% have regularly used public transit at some point in their lives</li> <li>62% say leaving driving to someone else is desirable to them</li> <li>91% are likely to support increased funding for public transportation</li> </ul>
	Barriers to Transit Use	<ul> <li>79% say they choose to travel by car because their time is very valuable to them.</li> <li>75% often do errands during lunchtime or on the way home from work</li> <li>52% often make trips to pick-up or drop-off children or other family members</li> <li>47% say their work schedule is unpredictable</li> </ul>
	Demographics	55% White / 32% Black/African-American 61% female 53% have post-graduate work/degree 34% Millennials

### Car Commandos

#### **Car Commandos**

	Counties	29% of Carroll County residents
	Mode Usage	6% use public transit 84% of commutation trips SOV, 3% by public transit Average commute is 27 minutes 52% of personal trips by SOV, <1% by public transit
	Transit Friendly Attitudes	None that are notable for this segment
	Barriers to Transit Use	<ul> <li>31% would consider commuting by public transit</li> <li>13% would consider public transit for personal travel</li> <li>96% say cars fit into their lifestyle</li> <li>94% choose to travel by car because their time if very valuable to them</li> <li>86% need to have a car available to them during the workday in case of emergencies</li> <li>75% say that having privacy when traveling is important</li> <li>57% often do errands on their way to or from work or at lunchtime</li> <li>30% make trips to pick-up or drop off children or other family members</li> <li>Few would ride transit more even if it went where they needed to go (25%) or if free parking were not available at their destination (16%).</li> <li>Not willing to spend extra time traveling if the trips will cost less (14% are willing).</li> <li>Wouldn't ride transit more if service were available later in the evening (only 5% would) or on weekends (13% would).</li> <li>Leaving the driving to someone else is not desirable (7% find it desirable).</li> </ul>
	Demographics	65% White / 19% Black/African-American 52% female 46% have post-graduate work/degree 59% 44 or younger / 39% Millennials

### **Urban Trippers**

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19% of area residents

Counties	17% of Baltimore City residents 15% of Harford County residents 15% of Annapolis residents
Mode Usage	34% use public transit 55% of commutation trips SOV, 22% by public transit, 16% walk or bike Average commute is 29 minutes 51% of personal trips by SOV, 10% by public transit, 5% walk or bike
Transit Friendly Attitudes	<ul> <li>70% would consider commuting by public transit</li> <li>75% would consider public transit for personal travel</li> <li>81% say driving during rush hour to be very stressful</li> <li>Only 42% say they travel by car because their time is valuable to them</li> <li>Only a small portion do errands on their way home from work or at lunchtime (24% do)</li> <li>Work schedules are predictable (15% have unpredictable schedules)</li> <li>Privacy when they travel is not important to them (14% feel privacy is important)</li> <li>Rarely make trips to pick-up or drop off children or other family members (7%)</li> <li>90% are likely to support increased funding for public transportation</li> </ul>
Barriers to Transit Use	None that are notable for this segment
Demographics	82% White / 4% Black/African-American 56% female 55% have post-graduate work/degree 66% 44 or younger / 41% Millennials

### Carmudgeons

Carmudgeons		14% of area residents
	Counties	20% of Annapolis residents
	Mode Usage	<ul> <li>14% use public transit</li> <li>86% of commutation trips SOV, 7% by public transit</li> <li>Average commute is 29 minutes</li> <li>76% of personal trips by SOV, 1% by public transit</li> </ul>
	Transit Friendly Attitudes	<ul> <li>Few describe cars as:         <ul> <li>Being a relaxing and stress-free way to travel (34%)</li> <li>Being cost effective (26%)</li> <li>Being safe from accidents (25%)</li> </ul> </li> <li>58% are likely to support increased funding for public transportation</li> </ul>
	Barriers to Transit Use	<ul> <li>45% would consider commuting by public transit</li> <li>27% would consider public transit for personal travel</li> <li>77% say cars are available when they need them</li> <li>73% say cars fit into their lifestyle</li> <li>70% say cars are easy to use</li> <li>70% say cars are reliable</li> <li>Few describe public transit as: <ul> <li>Being available when they need it</li> <li>Being a fast way to travel</li> <li>Fitting into their lifestyle</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	Demographics	80% White / 14% Black/African-American 53% male 84% have college degree 54% 45 or older / 37% Millennials Wealthiest segment (\$110,000 median income)

### **Retired but Ready**

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#### 32% of area residents



	Counties	43% of Carroll County residents
	Mode Usage	23% use public transit 48% of personal trips by SOV
	Transit Friendly Attitudes	<ul> <li>59% would consider public transit for personal travel</li> <li>64% consider driving during rush hour to be very stressful</li> <li>62% used public transit at some point</li> <li>54% would leave driving to others</li> <li>Only 51% consider traveling by car cost effective</li> <li>72% are likely to support increased funding for public transportation</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>63% travel by car because their time is valuable</li> <li>51% consider privacy important when traveling</li> </ul>
	Demographics	None are employed, 73% retired 62% White / 31% Black/African-American 56% female 53% do not have college degree Average age 62 years old, 50% 65 or older Low income segment (\$56,000 median income), 35% have incomes below \$25,000

## Recommendations

### **BMC Recommendations**



- Engage in regional educational initiatives to promote **existence and availability** of transit
- Launch targeted marketing campaigns to promote transit as a viable option for all residents of the region
- Investigate the potential of flexible or demand responsive feeder service

# **LOTS Recommendations: Overall**



- Continually perform outreach to promote systems; educate on how to use the system
- Engage in targeted marketing or outreach
- Consider technological investments, especially real-time information

# **LOTS Agency Recommendations**



#### **Annapolis DOT**

Evaluate increasing frequency; extending service hours; and expanding the service area



#### **Carroll Transit System**

Evaluate route deviation zone; evening and weekend flex service; increased frequencies; public education; and O-D studies



#### Harford Transit LINK

Evaluate cost of providing demand responsive weekend service



#### **Regional Transportation Agency**

Commence public education campaign; consider O-D study; assess peak hour demand; and evaluate increasing frequency

### **MTA Recommendations**



#### **Local Bus**

Evaluate crime at and around stations and on board vehicles



#### **Commuter Bus**

Engage in a public education campaign as part of BaltimoreLink service changes to Commuter Bus



#### Light Rail

Improve accessibility at Light Rail stations



#### **Metro Subway**

Assess customer opinions; evaluate station safety; and consider accessibility improvements



#### MARC Survey customers to dete

Survey customers to determine where future MARC station locations may be warranted

