

# **Transportation Needs & Priorities Survey**

Region 6 Resource Partners is gathering input for the Iowa Department of Transportation (IDOT) and local decision makers on regional transportation needs and priorities. The information contained in this survey can help influence how federal transportation funds are used. The responses to this survey also can be used to help guide how the IDOT invests state resources within the region. Some of the questions below will require local funds to implement.

Region 6 Resource Partners desires to obtain input from all regional residents on funding priorities through this survey. We hope that you will spend 5 minutes to complete this important transportation survey. There will be no link between your survey responses and your identity.

#### 1. Which county do you primarily live and/or work?

- □ Hardin
- □ Marshall
- $\square$  Poweshiek
- 🗆 Tama
- $\Box$  None of those counties
- 2. If you live in the Hardin, Marshall, Poweshiek, or Tama County region, how long have you lived there?
  - $\Box$  Less than 1 year
  - $\Box$  1-5 years
  - $\Box$  6-9 years
  - $\Box$  10-19 years
  - $\Box$  20 or more years
  - $\Box$  I do not live in the area

#### 3. Which best describes where you live?

 $\Box$  In a town or city, including unincorporated areas adjacent to a town or city  $\Box$  In the country or a rural, unincorporated area

#### 4. What is your zip code? \_\_\_\_\_

#### 5. How far do you travel to get to your place of employment (one-way)?

- $\Box$  Less than 1 mile
- $\Box$  1-2 miles
- $\Box$  3-10 miles
- □ 11-20 miles
- $\Box$  21-35 miles
- □ 36-50 miles
- $\Box$  Greater than 50 miles
- $\Box N\!/\!A$

6. How often do you use the following methods of transportation to get from your home to work, shopping, medical, and leisure destinations? For each transportation method, mark with an "x" whether it is your, primary method, secondary method, occasional use, or never or infrequent use.

	Primary Method of Transportation	Secondary Method of Transportation	Occasional use	Never or infrequent use
Car/SUV/Truck – drive alone				
Car/SUV/Truck – carpool				
Walking				
Biking with street traffic				
Biking on recreational trail				
Public transit				
Taxi or ride share service				

- 7. Would you like to use a different method of transportation to reach your destination instead of your current method of transportation?
  - $\Box$  Yes
  - $\square \ No$
  - □ Unsure or Don't Know
- 8. Are there issues you face when traveling in the Region 6 area of Hardin, Marshall, Poweshiek or Tama Counties? We want to know! Please tell us where you have experienced safety issues, roadway congestion, connectivity issues while traveling in the region. You can also describe where bicycle and pedestrian issues exists, or where you wish you could walk or bike. Describe the location and concern below.
- 9. TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES For the following statements, please mark with an "x" whether you strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, or strongly disagree.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Bike lanes are important to me.					
Multi-use trails separated from a roadway are important to me.					
Walking paths and sidewalks that are well- maintained and visually appealing are important to me.					
Active forms of transportation (walking, biking) are important to me.					
Region 6 should develop programs for carpooling.					
Region 6 should develop programs for shared rides to major employer locations.					
Region 6 should develop programs for safe walking or biking to school.					

10. EXISTING PUBLIC TRANSIT OR TAXI – For the following transportation options, please mark with an "x" whether the option meets the local need, does not meet local need or is not needed in your community. Consider how households without access to a personal vehicle may access grocery, shopping, medical, work, and leisure destinations.

	Meets local need	Does not meet local need	Service not needed	Unsure or Don't Know
IN TOWN: A fixed route bus service provided daily for in-town trips				
OUT OF TOWN: Bus or other service for destinations out of town to larger metro areas				
IN TOWN OR OUT OF TOWN: Peoplerides Public Transit – scheduled 24 hours ahead, service days and hours vary.				
IN TOWN OR OUT OF TOWN: Taxi service, ride sharing (Uber, Lyft) or other on-demand service				

11. EXISTING ROADS AND BRIDGES - For the following statements, please mark with an "x" whether you strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, or strongly disagree.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Unsure or Don't Know
Existing bridges (state, county, and city) are adequately maintained.						
Existing state roads are adequately maintained.						
Existing county roads are adequately maintained.						
Existing city local roads are adequately maintained.						

# 12. Keeping in mind transportation funds are limited, please mark with an "x" whether you feel each transportation option is very important, important, neutral, somewhat important, or not important.

	Very important	Important	Neutral	Somewhat important	Not important	Unsure or don't know
Maintain and improve existing road system and bridges						
Maintain and improve sidewalks						
Improve road safety						
Build bike lanes along roads						
Build multi-use recreation trails						
Fund safe routes to school projects - walkability						
Expand public transit service						
Offer more transit services for elderly and disabled						
Create carpool/vanpool programs						
Maintain and improve airports						
Maintain and improve railway system						

## 13. What is your age?

- □ 16-19
- □ 20-24
- □ 25-44
- □ 45-54
- □ 55-59
- $\square$  60 years and over

## 14. What sector best describes your interest/involvement in transportation in the region?

- $\Box$  Resident
- $\Box$  Commuter
- $\square$  Business Owner
- □ Agriculture Industry
- □ Health Care/Social Services Industry
- $\Box$  Sales/Retail/Service Industry
- □ Manufacturing
- □ Construction/Building Industry
- $\Box$  Transportation Industry
- $\Box$  Insurance/Real Estate
- $\Box$  Education
- $\Box$  Non-Profit
- $\Box$  Professional
- $\square$  Local Government Employee
- □ Other Government Employee
- $\Box$  Student
- □ Retired/Not Employed
- □ Other: \_\_\_\_\_