

Helena Area Transportation Advisory Council (HATAC)

Membership Form

The Helena Area Transportation Advisory Committee (HATAC) would like to invite you to help support public transportation for all citizens in the Helena area by becoming a member of our council.

A safe, accessible, reliable and affordable transportation system benefits all—commuters, families, students, senior citizens, people with disabilities—as they seek to fulfill their personal and career goals, meet their daily needs and maintain a high level of transportation independence. In addition to offering an alternative method of transportation, public transit plays a significant role in a community's economy, including job access, time-saving benefits to travelers, transportation cost savings to employers, and access for all. With the Helena area population expected to grow, now is the time to create a vital, robust public transportation system. Citizen involvement in the design and implementation of a responsive and well-coordinated transportation system, is key to success.

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and State Department of Transportation require that "Each transportation service area must have a local Transportation Advisory Council (TAC)." The TAC cooperatively assists the local transit operator assessing and prioritizing local transit needs. As coordination is a high priority at the federal and state level, the TAC also helps to promote and ensure a well-coordinated system. TAC Membership does not require dues or fees.

We encourage you to join HATAC, today! Please provide the following information and return this form it to Jaymie Sheldahl, HATAC Secretary, at jsheldahl@rmdc.net

NAME: _____

REPRESENTING (IF OTHER THAN SELF): _____

PHONE: _____ E-MAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

We/I can commit to the following HATAC activities:

- E-Communications list (HATAC meeting/events and transit system related announcements).
- Participation in monthly HATAC meetings (3rd Tuesday of the month from 2:30-4:00 PM).
- Participation in coordination opportunities (i.e. HATS marketing, service agreements, in-kind contributions, grants and/or hard money contributions).
- Recruitment of additional organizations to get involved in the HATAC.

Respectfully,

Elizabeth Andrews, Chair
Helena Area Transportation Advisory Council

FTA Recommended Partner List

(1) Transportation partners:

- (a) Area transportation planning agencies
- (b) Public transportation providers
- (c) Private transportation providers
- (d) Non-profit transportation providers
- (e) Past or current organizations funded under transit related federal programs
- (f) Human service agencies funding, operating, and/or providing access to transportation services

(2) Passengers and advocates:

- (a) Existing and potential riders
- (c) Representatives from independent living centers
- (d) Advocacy organizations working on behalf of targeted populations

(3) Human service partners:

- (a) Agencies that administer health, employment, or other support programs for targeted populations
- (b) Non-profit human service provider organizations that serve the targeted populations
- (c) Job training and placement agencies
- (d) Housing agencies
- (e) Health care facilities
- (f) Mental health agencies

(4) Other:

- (a) Security and emergency management agencies
- (b) Tribes and tribal representatives
- (c) Economic development organizations
- (d) Faith-based and community-based organizations
- (e) Representatives of the business community (e.g. employers)
- (f) Appropriate local or State officials and elected officials
- (g) School districts
- (h) Policy analysts or experts