Community Transportation Survey

The Amador County Transportation Commission (ACTC) is interested in learning about the travel needs, wants, and priorities of the community. As an Amador resident, your input/opinion is important, regardless of whether or not you have ridden/used the local public transit services. Complete this short survey by Friday, March 21, 2025 to be entered into a random drawing for one of a series of \$50 VISA gift cards. Your input will help shape the future of public transit in Amador County. Return your completed survey using the attached postage-paid envelope or scan the QR code or visit www.AmadorSurvey2025.com to take the survey online.

What is your home community? (check only one) 1.

- **C**amanche **Fiddletown**
- □ lone
- **J**ackson
- Martell
- **D** Pine Grove **D** Plymouth
- **D** Pioneer **D** River Pines
 - **I** Sutter Creek
- Volcano
 - 🗖 Other
- I live outside Amador County
- 2. Have you ever ridden any Amador Transit (AT) service? If so, specify which service(s).
 - □ AT local bus service □ Dial-A-Ride
 - **D** AT commuter bus service to Sacramento
 - **\Box** None of the above \rightarrow skip to Question 8

Transit riders

- 3. Which service(s) have you ridden within the last 90 days?
 - **D** AT local bus service Dial-A-Ride
 - **D** AT commuter bus service to Sacramento
- 4. Do you ride/use public transit regularly (e.g., at least once per week)?
 - □ Yes → Skip to Question 6
 - □ No → Continue to Question 5
- 5. If you do not use public transit regularly, please indicate why. (Select all that apply.)
 - I do not feel safe It takes too long
 - □ It doesn't travel where I need to go
 - It doesn't operate often enough
 - **The fare is too expensive**
 - Other (specify):

What is the PRIMARY reason you choose to ride 6. Amador Transit?

- **L**ack of other transportation options
- **C**onvenience 🗖 Cost
- **D** Environmental benefits
- Other (specify): _____
- When choosing to ride Amador Transit, what is your 7. most common or frequent destination?
 - □ Work School **Healthcare**
 - □ Shopping □ Personal errands
 - **D** Recreation/social activities
 - **Other (specify):**
 - → Skip to Question 9.

Non-riders

- 8. If you do not use public transit in Amador County, why not?
 - □ I have difficulty getting to the bus stop
 - □ I have difficulty boarding the bus
 - Doesn't go where I need to travel/go
 - Bus schedules are too confusing
 - **T**akes too long
 - **D** Bus stops are not safe/comfortable
 - **T**oo expensive
 - **D** Bus seating is uncomfortable
 - I can't wait outside that long

Other (specify): ______

- **D** Prefer to drive my own car or get a ride
- All

How do you typically travel within Amador County? 9.

- **\Box** Drive my personal vehicle **\rightarrow** Continue to Question 10
- Public transit
- **D** Ride with friend or family member
- Uber/Lyft/taxi
- **D** Ride a bike
- Walk
- Other (specify): _
- 10. If you typically drive, tell us why.
 - Need the flexibility of having my vehicle
 - Need to provide transportation to others
 - **D** Faster travel time
 - **D** More convenient
 - Don't want to wait to travel
 - Other (specify): _____
- 11. Is it generally easy for you to get where you need to go? □ Yes
- 12. Do you have a valid driver's license? Yes 🗖 No
- 13. How many cars/vehicles are available for use by your household?
 - □ None → Continue to Question 14
 - **O**ne
 - Two Skip to Question 15
 - **D** Three or more

- Skip to
 - **Question 11**

- 14. If you do not own (or lease) a car/vehicle, please indicate why. (Select all that apply.)
 - □ I don't have a driver's license
 - □ It's too expensive to purchase/maintain a car
 - **G**as or insurance is too expensive
 - □ I can access everything I need without a car
 - I can borrow someone else's car (friend or family member)
 - Other (specify): _____
- 15. Do you ever use Lyft or Uber in Amador County?
 - 🗖 Yes
 - 🗖 No

Micro-transit is an on-demand form of public transportation where a vehicle can travel on a fixed route but provide ondemand service to the general public using smartphone apps, real-time tracking, and dynamic routing for more immediate service. (Those without smartphone access may be eligible for Dial-A-Ride service.)

- 16. If micro-transit became available in Amador County, would you consider using it?
 - □ Yes
 - 🗖 No
 - □ Maybe/I don't know
- 17. Which of the following mobility options would you MOST like the ACTC to invest in?
 - □ On-demand micro-transit
 - □ More frequent fixed-route bus service
 - □ More fixed-route service
 - □ Service on Saturday
 - □ Service on weekends (Saturday/Sunday)
 - Free or discounted local bus fares
 - Other (specify): _____
- 18. What might encourage you to ride public transit or use it more often? (Select all that apply.)
 - Lower cost
 - □ Shorter travel time
 - Earlier service
 - □ Later service
 - □ More frequent service
 - □ Saturday service
 - Sunday service
 - □ Feeling safe at the bus stop
 - Feeling safe onboard the bus
 - Better/improved bus stop amenities (benches, shelters, lighting, etc.)
 - **D** Bus stop closer to my home
 - Other (specify): ______

Demographics

- 19. Which of the following groups includes your age?
 - □ 18 or under □ 19 to 24 □ 25 to 44
 - □ 45 to 64 □ 65 or older
 - Decline to respond

20. Are you...? (check all that apply):

- □ Hispanic/Latino □ Black □ White
- □ Asian/Pacific Islander □ American Indian
- Other (specify): _____
- **D** Decline to respond

21. What is your approximate annual household income?

- □ Less than \$20,000 □ \$20,000 to \$35,000
- □ \$35,001 to \$50,000 □ \$50,001 to \$75,000
- □ \$75,001 and above □ Decline to respond
- 22. Are you currently employed?
 - 🗖 Yes
 - □ No → Skip to Question 25
- 23. If yes, do you work primarily from your home or do you travel/commute to your work place?
 - \Box Work from home \rightarrow Skip to Question 25
 - **T**ravel/commute to work
 - □ I split my time between working from home and commuting to work
- 24. How far do you travel to work (each way)? _____ miles
- 25. Which of the following do you use regularly? (Select all that apply.)
 - □ Smart phone
 - □ Credit/debit card
 - None of the above

26. Additional comments:

Is there anything else you would like to tell us about public transportation in Amador County?

Thank you for your participation!

To be eligible to win one of several \$50 VISA gift cards, please provide your contact information.

First name:

Phone number or email:

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