STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS IDENTIFIED GAPS AND NEEDS

The following strategies establish the framework for a five-year work program from 2019 through 2023. The listed strategies and actions were generated to address the identified gaps between current services and needs, as well as opportunities to improve efficiencies in service delivery.

The strategies are ranked by scores assigned by stakeholder meeting participant voting based on resources from multiple program sources, time, and feasibility for implementing the strategies or actions identified.

Some of the strategies listed here ultimately may be not be implemented within the five-year time timeframe due to changing conditions (political, fiscal, etc.). Uncompleted strategies and actions should be rolled over to the next five-year plan as appropriate.

Wood County 5-year Transportation Coordinated Strategies, 2019 - 2023

Priority Rank	Priority Score	
1.	24	Maintain and expand existing services through support of program operations (inc. director/transportation coordinator position(s), driver salaries, volunteer reimbursements, equipment, supplies and training), maintenance, repair and scheduled replacement of vehicle fleet as appropriate. Actions: - Continue to make use of 85.21 Grants to maintain and expand the level of transportation service within the County. - Continue to apply for 5310 Capital Grants to maintain and expand the human services transportation vehicle fleet within Wood County.
2.	24	Continue to promote available services and provide education on how to use the service(s). Actions: - Provide system information through a variety of online and print means (newsletters, provider directories, etc.) - Promote transportation services through social media and community partnerships.
3.	10	Continue to explore methods of outreach and coordinating with others.
4.	4	Support / Coordinate with Regional Volunteer Driver Program to reinforce local program and fill in gaps in service.

Actions:

- Work with Center for Independent Living for Western Wisconsin (aka CIL) to determine how to best integrate expansion of CIL's Regional Volunteer Driver Program into Wood County Transportation Program.

5. 4 Work with Incourage Community Foundation (and other foundations as appropriate) to address the County's transportation issues.

6. 2 Continue to support volunteer driver program.

Actions:

- Apply for 85.21 Grants to expand and maintain the volunteer driver program within the County.
- Explore ways to increase number of volunteer drivers available to the program.

7. 2 Talk to state and federal legislators about service issues and appropriate allocation of resources.

8. 0 Explore travel training / travel buddy program options.

UPDATING / AMENDING THE COORDINATED PLAN

The coordinated plan establishes the framework for a five-year work program. However, should a strategy or project be identified that was not foreseen at the time of plan development, the plan can be amended through some form of stakeholder consensus process. The plan should be regularly reviewed and updated if major changes in any provisions of the plan are identified. At a minimum, the plan is required to be updated every five years.

APPROVAL OF 2019 - 2023 WOOD COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COORDINATED PLAN

After the identified strategies and actions were reviewed by the planning group and consensus was reached that their work was complete, the NCWRPC meeting facilitator entertained a motion on the question of approving the established five-year strategy and action plan:

On a motion by Sunshine Sheltray seconded by Jim Brown, the 2019 - 2023 Wood County Locally Developed, Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan was approved with all in favor.