

Update on Connecting People to Transit Work

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Puget Sound Regional Council



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Transit Access Work Program

Task 1: Review existing transit access tools and resources to help identify potential improvements to transit access assessments and next steps.

- This task builds upon past work and will help inform future tasks.
- Work with the Transit Access Working Group to assess unique challenges/needs for different contexts in the region.



Where we are at...

- The Transit Access Working Group met in December.
- PSRC conducted transit access case studies by working with local agencies across the region.
- Staff identified key findings and developed a draft report.
- The next working group meeting is on January 22, 2024.



Case Study Locations

Locations represent **different contexts** and **accessibility challenges**.

Kitsap

- Wheaton Way Transit Center, Bremerton

Pierce

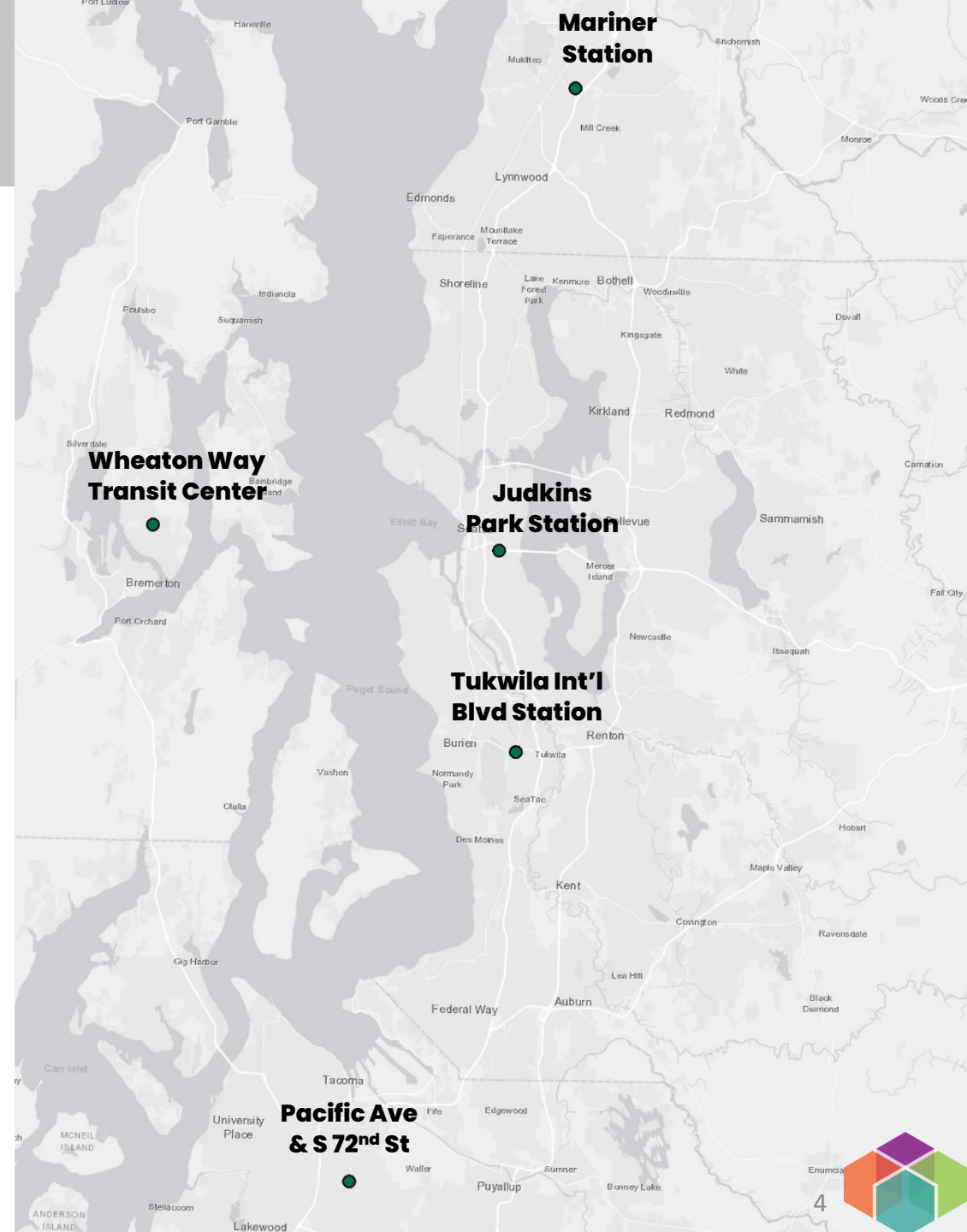
- 72nd St S & Pacific Ave, Tacoma

King

- Judkins Park Station, Seattle
- Tukwila International Blvd. Station

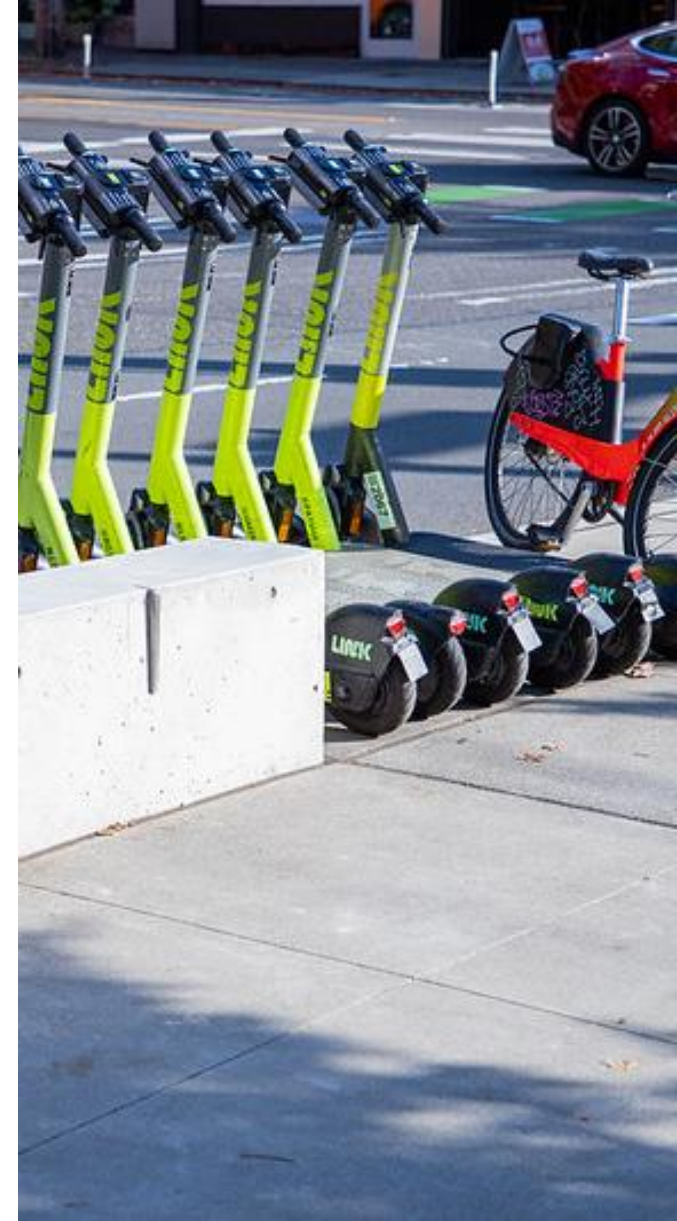
Snohomish

- Mariner Station (8th Ave W & 128th St S)



Key Findings

- Transit access tools help facilitate **collaboration between agencies** and enable **comprehensive assessment** of transit access needs and opportunities.
- Existing tools are **lengthy and static** and multiple products are **not fully interconnected**.
- None of the tools address **key topics** like equity, safety, and new technologies.
- The **Transit Access Toolkit** does not provide further guidance to develop shared transit access responsibilities among stakeholders.



Draft Recommendations

- Address more clear and comprehensive information on **roles and responsibilities** by agencies.
- **Automation and streamlining of the tools** with readily available data can help local staff assess transit access needs and opportunities more easily.
- **Integrate new themes**, including equity, safety, and new technologies, as identified as emerging characteristics influencing transit access, into transit access tools.
- Develop guidance on **equitable engagement and outreach** for transit access.





Thank You!

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