

Connecting People to Transit

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Today's Presentation

- **Transit Access Work Program**
- **Where we are at...**
 - Case study
 - Transit access working group meetings
- **Next Steps**



Regional Transportation Plan calls for PSRC to:

“...Develop and update tools and resources to **help identify where access to transit can be improved**, particularly for bicyclists and pedestrians. ”

Transit access in RTP:

- Transit-Oriented Development (TOD)
- Walk, Bike, and Roll
- Transit Service
- Drop-off/Pick-up Modes
- Parking



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...

Second working group meeting was on September 12th

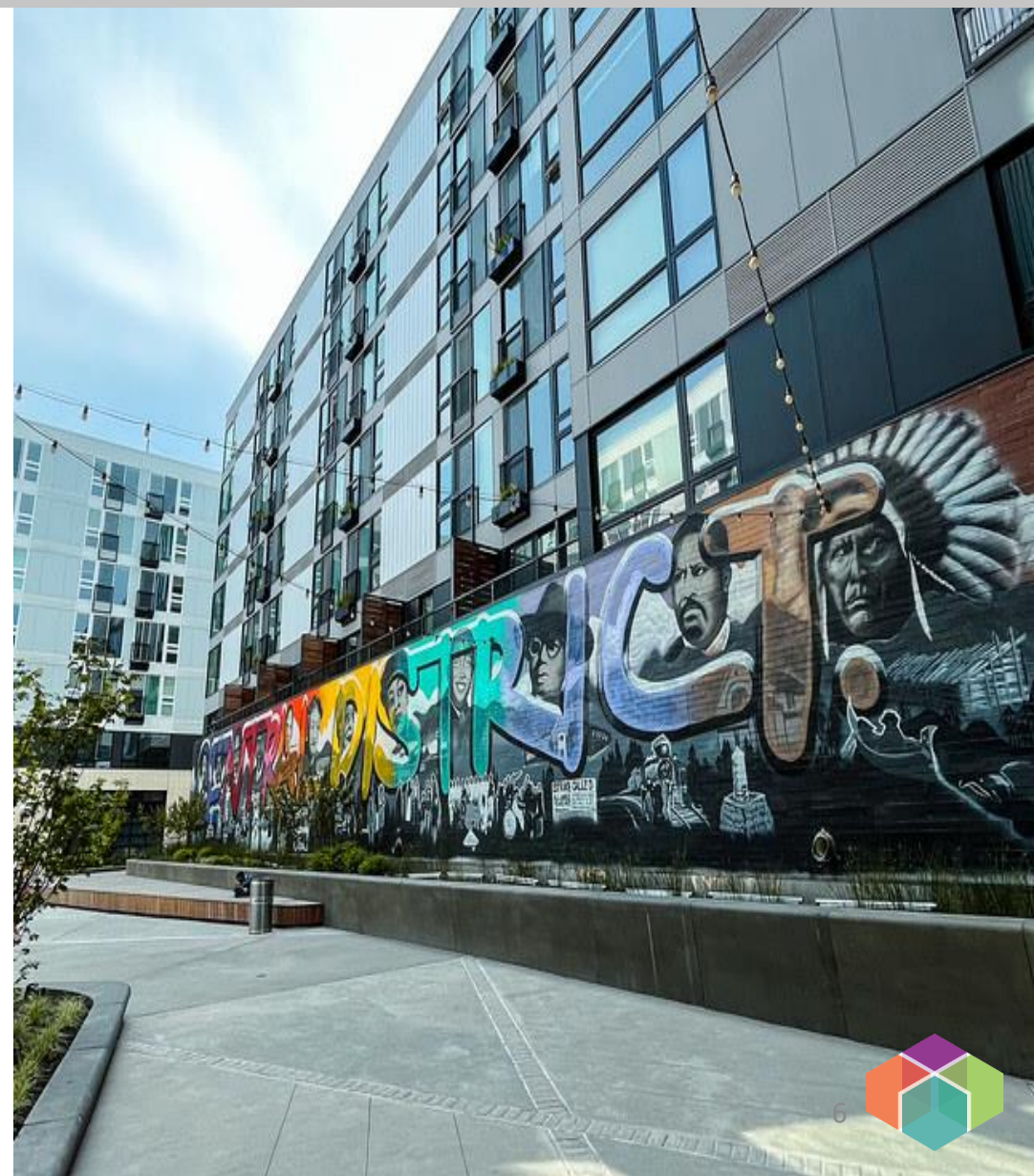
- Working group discussed the final locations for case studies
- Staff completed literature review based on feedback

PSRC started conducting case studies by working with local staff

Next working group meeting is scheduled for December 1st

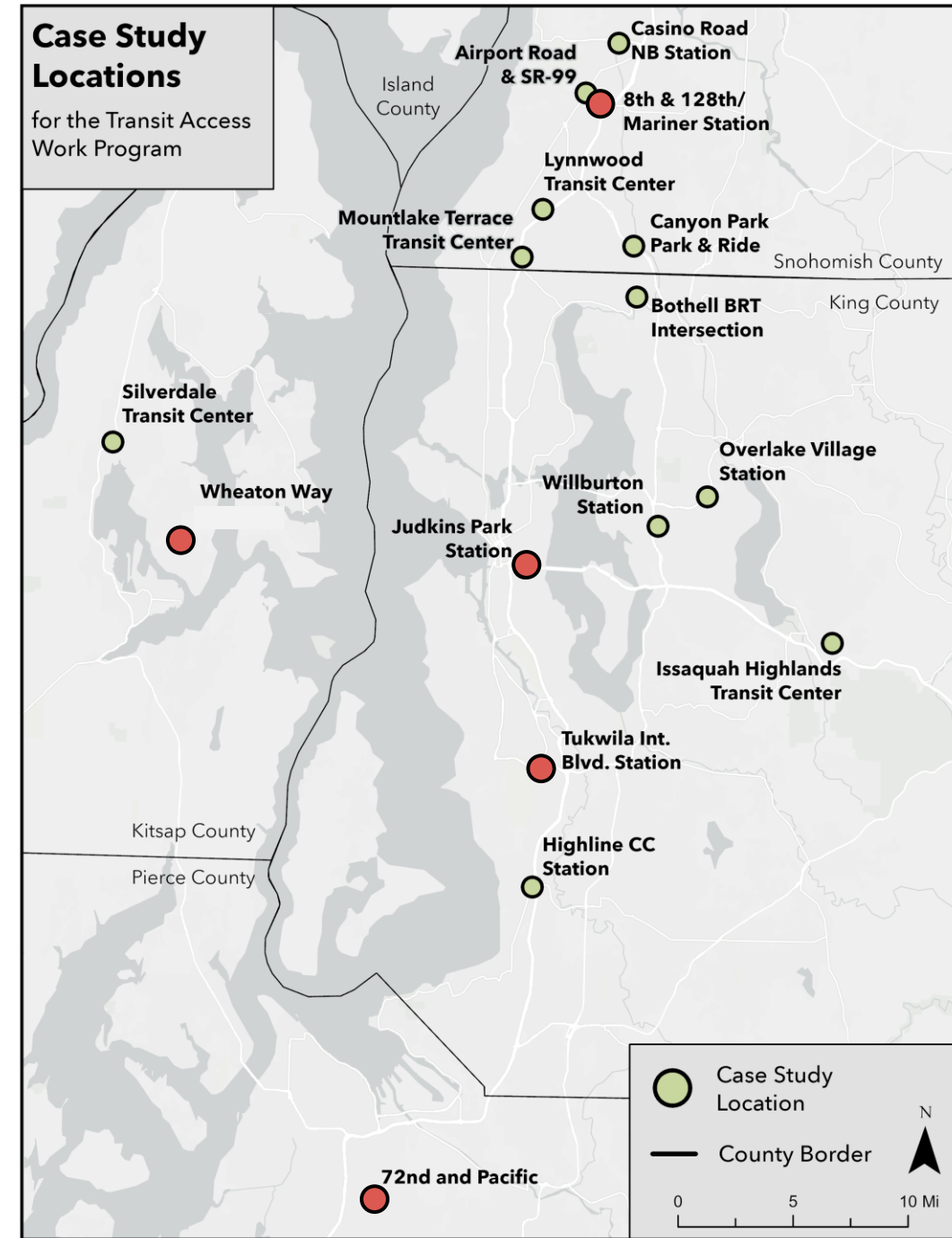
September Transit Access Working Group Meeting

- Working group members agreed to select **five locations** across the region.
- **At least one** case study location in each county.
- Locations represent **different contexts** and **accessibility challenges**.
- Emphasis on **equity** and **MOD** program availability.



Case Study Locations

- **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)



Preliminary Findings

Based on the review to-date, staff identified the following...

- Current tools inadequately address **equity, safety, and newer technologies.**
- Existing tools are **lengthy** and static, **requiring significant staff time** and effort to use, as intended.
- Ensure the update accounts for **future/planned station locations.**
- There is **potential to streamline tools** and make them more **interactive** and **user-friendly.**
- Tools are **not fully interconnected and difficult to identify roles/responsibilities** for each transit access strategy.
- Potential need to **market and provide periodic updates** to new tools to ensure their utility to stakeholders.

Next Steps

September–November 2023:

Conduct case studies

December 2023: Transit Access Working Group Meeting #3

Early 2024: Final report out on Task 1
with recommendations on next steps

- Anticipate Transit Access Working Group Meeting #4

Periodic updates to committees and boards throughout process





Thank You!

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