

**Hopelink  
Regional Emergency Management/Transportation for Vulnerable Populations  
Coordination (2019-2021)  
In-Kind Match Valuation Plan  
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King County Metro, Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management, and First Transit have committed to provide in-kind match for the Regional Emergency Management/Transportation for Vulnerable Populations Coordination project. The following identifies the organization, goods and/or services donated, the fair market value of each, and how the values were determined.

**Total Value of In-Kind Committed for Project: \$18,069.60**  
**In-kind Contributions Claimed in grant application: \$18,000 <sup>1</sup>**

**King County Metro**

King County Metro has committed to provide in-kind support in the form of staff support and training labor for the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup, as described below.

<b>In-Kind Labor:</b>	Emergency Preparedness Manager
Work Performed:	Staff support and trainer for RARET
Number of Hours per Year:	62
Per Hour Value:	\$65.00
Total Labor Value: (2019-2021 biennium):	\$8,060

**Total Value of Contribution: \$8,060**

**Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management**

Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management has committed to provide in-kind support in the form of staff support and training labor for the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup, as described below.

<b>In-Kind Labor:</b>	Emergency Management Coordinator
Work Performed:	Staff support and trainer for RARET
Number of Hours per Year:	80
Per Hour Value:	\$50.06
Total Labor Value: (2019-2021 biennium):	\$8,009.60

**Total Value of Contribution: \$8,009.60**

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<sup>1</sup> Lower amount allows for fluctuations in value or staffing changes during the grant period.

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**First Transit**

First Transit has committed to provide in-kind support in the form of the project's event and workshop programming supplies and refreshments. This may include but is not limited to refreshments, snacks, coffee/tea, utensils, etc. during the project's workshops, focus groups, small trainings, meetings, and other outreach opportunities.

**Event/Workshop Programming Costs  
and Refreshments:**

Total Value (2019-2021 biennium):                    *\$2,000.00*

**Total Value of Contribution (2019-2021):    \$2,000.00**

# First Transit

821 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Suite 200  
Seattle, WA 98104

August 10, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

First Transit supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of the Puget Sound UASI Vulnerable Populations Workgroup and the special needs transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project supports First Transit's mission to create a cohesive alliance among local and regional transportation providers to ensure we are prepared in the event of a disaster to support the transportation efforts in the affected area. As an international company, local community outreach is an important element in our company's annual goals.

First Transit commits to providing \$1,000 per year for the two-year grant period from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021 as match support for Hopelink's grant application.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 206-749-4210.

Sincerely,



Donna Sansoterra  
Assistant General Manager

CC: David Lynch, Hopelink

September 14, 2018

PSRC  
1011 Western Avenue, Suite 500  
Seattle, WA 98104-1035

WSDOT  
310 Maple Park Ave SE  
Olympia, WA 98501-2348

Dear Grant Reviewers:

Hopelink is committing \$49,000 (\$24,500 per year for the two-year grant period from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021) as matching funds through labor and benefits for the Regional Emergency Management and Transportation for Vulnerable Populations Coordination grant application.

The Hopelink Mobility Management team empowers people to change their lives by facilitating access to the community. We provide travel education and resources and facilitate the coordination of special needs transportation as a member of the King County Mobility Coalition. The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to coordinate and improve access to transportation services during an emergency and post-emergency for the Central Puget Sound.

This project supports Hopelink's mission to promote self-sufficiency for all members of our community. Since 1971, Hopelink has served homeless and low-income families, individuals, children, seniors and people with disabilities. Today, Hopelink provides a full array of critical social services through more than 35 different programs. Our services include food, shelter, housing for homeless families, homelessness prevention, family development, adult literacy, and employment services. Hopelink's specialized transportation services, including Mobility Management and Brokerage, are a critical component of support for our clients and the clients of our service partners. Personal mobility allows the most vulnerable members of our community to receive the medical care and other services they need.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding this grant application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Staci Haber at 425-943-6769.

Sincerely,



Lauren Thomas  
CEO

CC: Staci Haber



## **King County**

**Department of Transportation  
Metro Transit Division  
Paratransit/Rideshare Operations**

KSC-TR-0800  
201 S. Jackson St.  
Seattle, WA 98104-1598

September 6, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

King County METRO supports Hopelink's Consolidated Gr Populations Coordination Application to sustain the Regional Emergency Management and Transportation for Vulnerable Populations Coordination Project.

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This project supports King County Metro's mission to engage transportation providers, emergency managers, and human service agencies by working together to identify and address potential gaps in transportation services to vulnerable populations during emergencies.

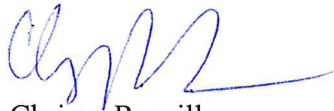
King County Metro commits to providing \$8,000 valued at \$4,000 per year for the two-year grant period from July 1, 2019, to June 30, 2021, as match support for Hopelink's grant

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
September 6, 2018  
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application. In addition, King County Metro also commits to providing up to \$8,000 in in-kind match support in the form of staff labor to provide technical support and training expertise.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (206) 263-8684.

Sincerely,



Chrissy Russillo  
Interim Managing Director  
Paratransit/Rideshare Operations  
King County Metro Transit

cc: David Lynch, Hopelink



**Snohomish County**  
**Department of Emergency**  
**Management**

September 12, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
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Bellevue, WA 98007

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**Dave Somers**  
*County Executive*

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

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This project supports The Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management's mission to upgrade and strengthen our transportation resources across Snohomish County with particular focus on those networks and needs during a county wide or regional disaster. Studies indicate that Snohomish County has significant transportation corridor issues when moving from east to west. Any disaster that compromises that infrastructure will hamper our ability to evacuate residents, move vital supplies and meet the transportation needs of those relying on paratransit resources to get to critical medical services. We are also excited to partner with others through the RARET program to provide preparedness education to transportation providers and their employees. Lastly we want to build a stronger communication system so that providers are able to connect regionally in a disaster and understand how and where to get vital maintenance and fuel resources.

The Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management commits to providing up to \$8000.00 valued at \$4000.00 per year in in-kind match funds for the two-year grant period from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021 as match support for Hopelink's grant application.

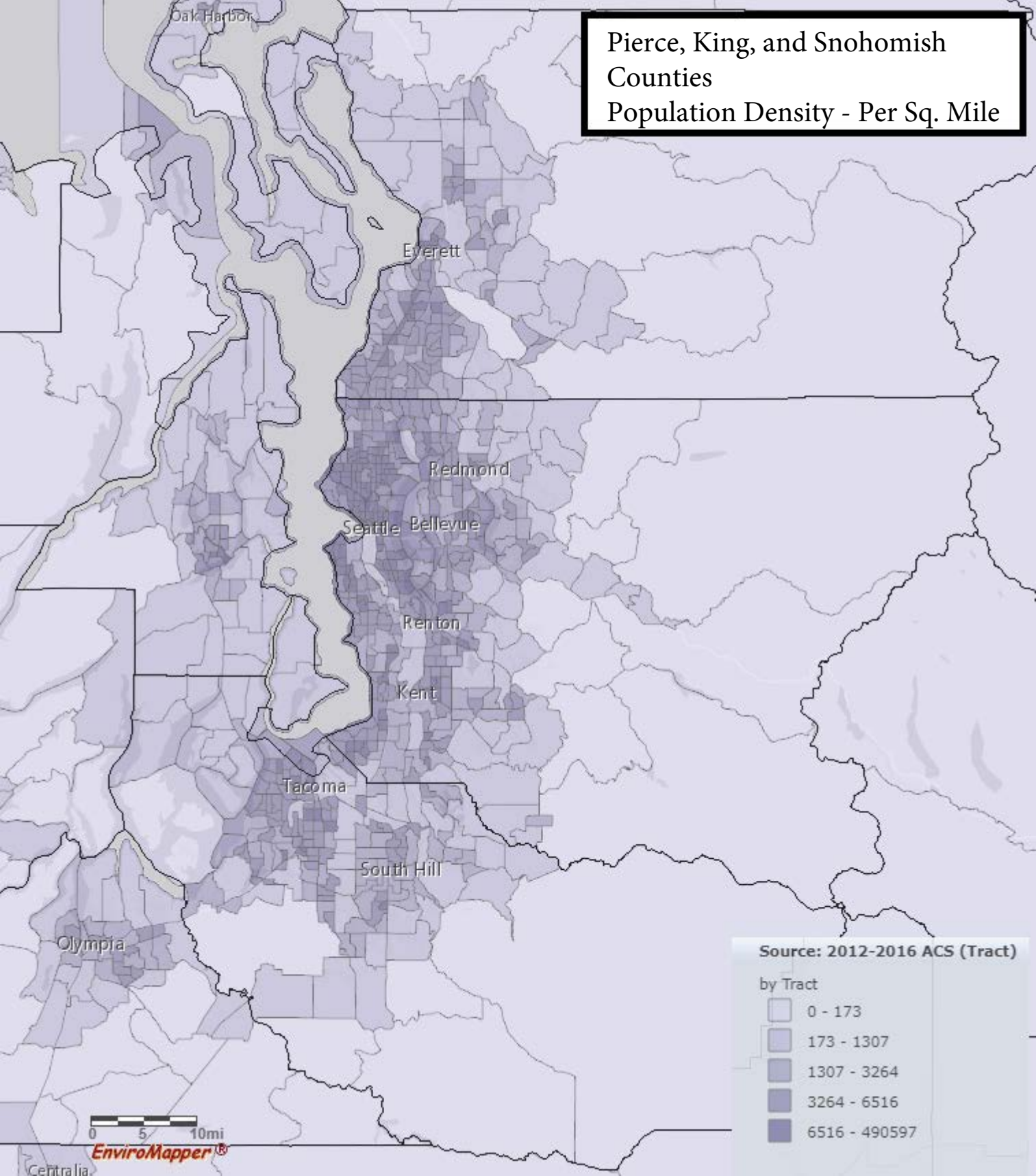
Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (425)754-1105.

Sincerely,

Randall Fay  
Access and Functional Needs Program Coordinator

CC: David Lynch, Hopelink

Pierce, King, and Snohomish  
Counties  
Population Density - Per Sq. Mile



Source: 2012-2016 ACS (Tract)

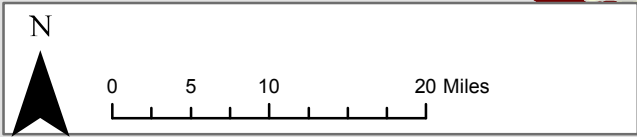
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# Hopelink Emergency Mgmt. Coord. Service Area



**Service Area** (indicated by a red outline)

**Metropolitan Transportation System** (indicated by a grey line)

1120 E Terrace, Ste 100  
Seattle, WA 98122  
206.545.7055 Voice 711 Relay  
800.545.7055 206.545.7059 Fax



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Redmond, WA 98052  
425.558.0993 Voice 711 Relay  
800.216.3335 425.558.4773 Fax

August 15, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

Alliance of People with disAbilities supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of UASI and the special needs transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project supports Alliance's mission to empower people with disAbilities to live as independently as they choose. Transportation is a critical factor in all areas of life and especially with people who have access and functional needs. Alliance is a cross disability organization where 100% of staff and 60% of Board are people with disAbilities serving all residents of King County. Alliance has been involved in emergency and disaster preparedness since 2003.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 425-998-5839.

Sincerely,



Robert Blumenfeld  
Associate Director

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



City of Bellevue

Jay Hagen, Fire Chief  
Fire Department

September 12, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The City of Bellevue Fire Department supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

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This project supports the city's mission to meet the needs of vulnerable populations immediately following a disaster. Transportation post-disaster is a critical need for everyone, and most especially for vulnerable populations. RARET's commitment to connect emergency managers with transportation providers and provide training on how best to reach vulnerable populations with accessible transportation. This supports the Office of Emergency Management's commitment to reach all residents, especially those with access and functional needs.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 425-452-2816.

Sincerely,

Curry Mayer  
Emergency Manager

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



Michael R Ryan  
SHS Region 6 / Zone One  
EM Coordinator  
[MRyan@Bellevuewa.gov](mailto:MRyan@Bellevuewa.gov)

August 19, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

As the regional Emergency Management Coordinator, I have worked with the Regional Alliance since its inception. I am writing in support of Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

As you know, Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of UASI and the special needs transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project supports King County's effort of insuring every segment of our population has access to emergency transportation when other resources are not available. RARET is truly an alliance that has helped network providers for our special needs populations and has worked hard in preparing these providers for emergency situations, disruptions in service, and sustaining a network of support to care for those most vulnerable in times of disaster and emergencies. This alliance requires nurture, ongoing training and network building to maintain the expectation that needed transportation resources will be available when most needed

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 425.985.4619.

Sincerely,  
Mike Ryan  
SHS Region 6/Zone One  
EM Coordinator  
425.985.4619



## WASHINGTON State Independent Living Council

August 20, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Washington State Independent Living Council (WASILC) and its Coalition on Inclusive Emergency Planning (CIEP) support Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide accessible transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of UASI and the accessible transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project supports WASILC and CIEP's mission to further their goal of inclusive emergency planning by fulfilling the Access and Functional Needs (AFN) of people with disabilities. The 2015 American Community Survey (ACS) reports **908,818 individuals** with disabilities living in Washington State. Individuals with disabilities represent 12.9% of the State's population, approximately one out of every **eight people**. According to the 2017 Disability & DVR Statistics Report, there are **101,760 individuals** of working age living with a disability in King County, which represents 21.1% of the County's population.<sup>1</sup>

Accessible transportation is a major component that must be considered in inclusive emergency planning, particularly during emergency evacuations and recovery phases. WASILC and CIEP take a holistic approach toward effective communication access, programmatic access, and physical access. Being in a collaborative partnership with RARET and Hopelink helps further our goals in inclusive emergency transportation planning.

WASILC/CIEP Letter of Support

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (360) 725-3695.

Sincerely,

Kim Conner  
Executive Director



CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink

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September 11, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007


Dear Ms. Thomas:

Community Transit is pleased to support Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

We understand that the continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region.

This project supports Community Transit's goals to address mobility challenges for vulnerable populations in rural areas of our region especially as the region continues to see tremendous population growth.

Sincerely,



Jamyang Dorjee  
Public Affairs Specialist

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



## Community Transportation Association of the Northwest

120 State Ave. #303 | Olympia, WA 98501 | (360) 867-8847 | [www.ctanw.org](http://www.ctanw.org)

*"Promoting mobility options through collaboration, education and advocacy"*

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September 5, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

Community Transportation Association of the Northwest (CTANW) has a long history of promoting coordination among specialized transportation providers and emergency management professionals in order to ensure Washington's most vulnerable residents, particularly those with specialized transportation needs, are able to access basic needs, shelter, social services, medical care and other emergency services in the event of a disaster.

Over the past biennium, CTANW has formed partnerships with the Washington State Independent Living Council's Coalition on Inclusive Emergency Planning (CIEP) and Hopelink's Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation workgroup (RARET) in order to continue to promote these coordination efforts and raise awareness about the importance of connecting accessible transportation providers to passengers with specialized transportation needs in emergency situations.

RARET's efforts cover Washington's most populous region and are designed to provide program models that can be replicated throughout the industry utilizing best practice models from CTANW and CIEP, among others, with an intent to further disseminate lessons-learned once RARET's pilot projects have been completed. The workgroup's programs are ultimately designed to enhance coordination, communication and training to ensure emergency preparedness among passengers and providers of community and specialized transportation.

While CTANW and CIEP can provide guidance from a statewide provider perspective and perspectives from passengers with disabilities, RARET is currently able to provide a comprehensive on-the-ground, real-world program model that can both immediately serve the residents of Central Puget Sound, and be replicated throughout Washington State.

As such, CTANW is pleased to support Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Sincerely,

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Ryan Acker  
Executive Director  
Community Transportation Association of the Northwest  
[ryan@ctanw.org](mailto:ryan@ctanw.org)

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink

King County  
**MOBILITY**COALITION

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September 5, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The King County Mobility Coalition supports Hopelink's Coordinated Special Needs Transportation Grant Application for Regional Emergency Management and Transportation for Vulnerable Populations Coordination.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of UASI and the special needs transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project specifically supports the King County Mobility Coalition's goal to work toward coordination, efficiency and availability of transportation services that meet the needs of people who are transportation disadvantaged. It is a very appropriate role for Hopelink to take the coordination lead in an effort that will help ensure the safety of vulnerable populations in an emergency.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alex O'Reilly at 425-452-2824 or Don Okazaki at 206-263-1082.

Sincerely,



Alex O'Reilly  
Coalition Co-Chair



Don Okazaki  
Coalition Co-Chair

August 18, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007



**NORTHWEST HEALTHCARE**  
**Response Network®**

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Northwest Healthcare Response Network supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

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The Northwest Healthcare Response Network is committed to building a resilient healthcare community that ensures every patient and community member can get access to the care it needs during emergencies and disasters. Hopelink plays a vital role in our community helping to ensure our most vulnerable community members, including those served by the nearly 2000 long term care, dialysis, behavioral health, hospital and other residential services programs in our Central Puget Sound region, have critical transportation access to the care they need. Without this, our community, and the healthcare organizations that serve them, will have the added burden of coordinating transportation services to meet their needs, and these community members will remain more vulnerable – often putting their lives in jeopardy. We consider the role of Hopelink to be critical and fully support your continued work to improve the capabilities for transporting those with special needs in emergencies and disasters.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 425-988-2896.

Sincerely,

Onora Lien  
Executive Director  
CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



## ***Pierce County Coordinated Transportation Coalition***

September 5, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Pierce County Coordinated Transportation Coalition (PCCTC) supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of UASI and the special needs transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project supports PCCTC's mission to develop and coordinate transportation services for those with limited transportation options. By ensuring that the most vulnerable populations have accessible transportation resources and know how to access them improves their health and well-being.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 253-798-4465.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jerri Kelly". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jerri" and last name "Kelly" clearly distinguishable.

Jerri Kelly, Chair, PCCTC

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



August 22, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

Pierce County Emergency Management supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

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This project supports Pierce County Emergency Management's mission to work collaboratively using a whole community approach with partners and stakeholders. Building a relationship with mobility and transportation experts and resources ensures a resiliency throughout Pierce County and the greater Central and South Puget Sound region. This further creates a robust network of allies in the region so that there is a decreased impact on individuals with access and functional needs in times of disaster.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 253-798-6595.

Sincerely,

Scott Heinze  
Interim Director  
Pierce County Emergency Management

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink





August 29, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Seattle Human Services Department supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup. The Department's Vulnerable Populations Planning Coordinator has been participating in RARET since its inception and looks forward to continuing that valuable collaborative partnership.

Hopelink has a history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide specific-needs transportation since 1971. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of UASI and the specific-needs transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project supports the Seattle Human Services Department's Mission to "Connect people with resources and solutions during times of need so we can all live, learn, work, and take part in strong, healthy communities." The goals and work of RARET match our Department's Vision that "All basic needs in our communities are met through innovative and collaborative approaches." Participation in RARET activities supports a collaborative and regional approach to meeting the transportation needs of our most vulnerable community members in times of disaster. Active participation in RARET activities is a priority area for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) funding that supports our vulnerable populations emergency planning work to collaboratively develop regional, accessible transportation capabilities.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 206-684-7622.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tina Inay".

Tina Inay  
Risk Manager  
City of Seattle, Human Services Department

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



**Snohomish County**  
**Department of Emergency**  
**Management**

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**Dave Somers**  
*County Executive*

August 13, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Snohomish County Department of Emergency Management supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

Hopelink has a strong history of implementing and sustaining programs designed to provide special needs transportation. Their programs are tailored to meet the needs of seniors, people with disabilities, and others faced with mobility challenges. Among these are Hopelink's existing travel training programs and staffing for the King County Mobility Coalition, which provide critical services and facilitate coordination in this time of increasing need to fill transportation gaps.

The continuation of this grant project will provide mobility management staff support to the RARET Workgroup and will enable workgroup members to continue coordination initiatives in the Central Puget Sound Region. Staff support will continue to integrate RARET's work plan with the Emergency Management work of UASI and the special needs transportation coordinating coalitions in the region.

This project supports Snohomish County Emergency Management's mission to strengthen our county's transportation networks specifically related to our citizens that require para-transit services. Our east and west transportation systems are fragile and an emergency that requires evacuation or transportation to necessary medical services would require a regional response. We also partner regionally with transportation providers and our partnership with RARET provides an avenue to provide preparedness training and resource training to the Hopelink vendors and their families and businesses.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (425)754-1105.

Sincerely,

Randy Fay, NEMAA  
Access and Functional Needs Program Coordinator

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



August 10, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
Hopelink  
14812 Main St.  
Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Snohomish County Transportation Coalition (SNOTRAC) supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

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The RARET Project supports SNOTRAC's mission to advocate for improvement in transportation service and solutions through community input, coordination of resources and strategic partnerships. RARET is an essential resource to facilitate regional collaboration to increase resilience within the most vulnerable populations in our region in the event of an emergency.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me 425.309.0836

Sincerely,

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CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



4610 Stepens Ave, Carnation WA, 98014

September 7, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
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Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

Sno-Valley Senior Center supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

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This project supports Organization]'s mission to support and empower seniors to lead healthy, enriched lives by working to ensure that regional transportation is available to all, specifically vulnerable populations such as older adults

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 425-333-4152

Sincerely,

Kira Avery  
Program Coordinator

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink

Snoqualmie Valley

# TRANSPORTATION COALITION

August 22, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
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Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Snoqualmie Valley Transportation Coalition supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

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This project supports The Snoqualmie Valley Transportation Coalition's mission to affordable, accessible, equitable, and collaborative transportation as a necessity for life. The Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation has supported the Snoqualmie Valley Transportation Coalition by ensuring that transportation services are available and coordinated in the case of an emergency, such as a dam breaking, flooding, earthquake, or other natural disaster. They are a strong partner and advocate for transportation services in Snoqualmie Valley and ensuring that those in rural communities also have a voice.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 425-943-6796.

Sincerely,



Brittany Krein  
Program Manager  
Snoqualmie Valley Transportation Coalition

CC: Staci Haber, Hopelink



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August 3, 2018

Lauren Thomas  
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Bellevue, WA 98007

Dear Ms. Thomas:

The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) supports Hopelink's Consolidated Grant Application to sustain the Regional Alliance for Resilient and Equitable Transportation (RARET) Workgroup.

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This project supports DOH's and the Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response's goal of strengthening community resilience. Inclusive partnerships built with RARET will enhance the health of individuals, families, and communities. Collaboration on the RARET project has formed multiple new partnerships and helped advance critical planning efforts around transportation for at-risk populations.

Thank you for considering our comments regarding Hopelink's application. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [michael.loehr@doh.wa.gov](mailto:michael.loehr@doh.wa.gov) or 360-236-4068.

Sincerely,

Michael Loehr  
Chief of Emergency Preparedness and Response

cc: Staci Haber, Hopelink