Growing Transit Communities, the region’s equitable TOD strategy, calls for regional and local actions that respond to the challenges and opportunities in transit communities.

The strategy is centered around three goals:

Attract more of the region’s residential and employment growth near high-capacity transit

Provide housing choices affordable to a full range of incomes near high-capacity transit

Increase access to opportunity for existing and future community members in transit communities

PSRC is tracking performance and implementation measures for select station areas. The 99 stations monitored in 2019 represent 1% of the region’s total land and 6% of the land in the UGA.
From 2010 to 2018, nearly 20% of the region’s population growth occurred in the station areas studied.

Transit communities are more diverse—the share of people of color in study station areas is 45%, compared to 34% in the region as a whole.

From 2010 to 2016, nearly 40% of housing growth occurred in study station areas; stations in Seattle account for 75% of these new units.

The average rent in station areas is $150 more per month than the average rent in the region.

From 2010 to 2017, more than 30% of regional employment growth occurred in study station areas.

Most of this growth is in existing job centers like Seattle, Downtown Bellevue, and Downtown Tacoma.

For more information: visit psrc.org/growing-transit-communities

Sources: 2010 & 2018 OFM estimates; 2015 ACS 5-year estimates; Dupre + Scott Spring 2017 Apartment Survey; PSRC Covered Employment Database 2017