The central Puget Sound region is growing

- **Actual**:
  - 1970: 2.3 Million Jobs
  - 2020: 4.2 Million People

- **Forecast**:
  - 2030: 3.4 Million Jobs
  - 2040: 5.8 Million People

Source: PSRC Regional Macroeconomic Forecast
...and so is transit ridership

Transit Boardings in the Central Puget Sound Region

Source: National Transit Database Monthly Adjusted Release, January 2019

2010: 183M
2011: 200M
2012: 210M
2013: 220M
2014: 230M
2015: 240M
2016: 250M
2017: 260M
2018: 270M

20% growth
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- **Bus Rapid Transit**: 42 routes and ~685 stops
Transit agencies are investing heavily in BRT

King County METRO

Pierce Transit

Sound Transit

Kitsap Transit Connecting Communities

Community Transit
Growing Transit Communities Strategy

Adopted 2014

1. Attract residential and employment growth to transit communities

2. Provide housing choices affordable to a full range of incomes near transit

3. Increase access to opportunity for existing and future residents
How are we doing?
From 2010 to 2018, nearly 20% of regional population growth occurred in station areas.
Population in station areas varies across the region

Existing population centers are growing:
- Central Seattle
- Downtown Bellevue
- Downtown Tacoma

New population centers are emerging:
- Downtown Redmond
- Mariner, SR 526/Evergreen

Source: OFM estimates 2018
Station areas are more diverse

A larger share of people of color live near transit

- 45% in station areas
- 34% in the region

Station areas in south King County have largest share of people of color: 64%

Source: 2015 ACS 5-year estimates
From 2010 to 2016, nearly 40% of housing growth occurred in station areas.
Seattle driving housing growth near transit

Housing growth increasing outside of central Seattle:
- West Seattle
- Roosevelt

Housing density increasing in traditionally suburban communities:
- Bothell
- Ash Way

Source: OFM estimates 2010, 2016
Affordable rentals in station areas are hard to find.

Apartments in station areas rent for $150 more per month on average.

Source: Dupre + Scott Spring 2017 Apartment Survey
From 2010 to 2017, more than 30% of regional job growth occurred in station areas.
Many station areas serve as employment hubs

Established job centers continue to grow:
• South Lake Union
• Downtown Bellevue
• Downtown Tacoma

Continued growth in emerging job centers
• Angle Lake
• Issaquah

Source: PSRC Covered Employment Database 2017
What are we doing?
Thank you

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