Growing Transit Communities Monitoring Update
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Growing Transit Communities Strategy

Timeline

- **2011** – GTC Existing Conditions Reports
- **2017** – GTC Monitoring Update
- **2019** – Update select data points from 2017 monitoring
Key Findings

Transit communities continue to grow

Population, jobs, and housing growth is occurring faster in transit communities than the region as a whole
The regional transit network is expanding

**2010 Network + Additions made 2011–2018**
- LINK and Sounder
- BRT (RapidRide, Swift)
- Fast Ferry to Bremerton, Kingston
- First Hill Streetcar

**Investments 2019 – 2025**
- BRT (RapidRide, Swift, Kitsap Transit, Pierce Transit)
- Fast Ferry to Southworth
- LINK (East LINK, Lynnwood, Federal Way, Tacoma)

**Investments 2025 – 2041**
- BRT (RapidRide, Swift, Kitsap Transit, Pierce Transit)
- LINK (Everett, Tacoma, Issaquah, Kirkland)
- Sounder
Updated stations

- Sound Move, ST2, ST3
- Sounder
- Ferry
- Streetcar
- LINK
- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT)

99 study areas
From 2017 to 2018, more than 20% of regional population growth occurred in stations.
Station areas are growing twice as fast as the region as a whole.
Where is population growth going?

- Existing population centers are growing: Seattle, East King County, Downtown Tacoma

- Population increasing in areas with recent and anticipated transit expansions: Burien, Kent, Lynnwood, Bremerton, Bothell
In 2017, more than 40% of regional job growth occurred in stations.
Employment Growth

Jobs in stations **grew faster** than the region as a whole.
Where is employment growth going?

- **Traditional job centers growing:**
  Seattle, East King County

- **Growth in South King County and Tacoma:**
  SeaTac, Tukwila, Tacoma LINK
Housing Growth

From 2015 to 2016, nearly 30% of permitted and built housing units were issued in stations.
Residential Permits

From 2015 to 2016, housing units in station areas grew by close to 4%.
Where is new housing going?

• Stations in Seattle accounts for majority of new housing units:
  - Steady growth in South Lake Union, First Hill, Capitol Hill
  - Uptick in growth in North Seattle

• Significant growth in Bothell and Downtown Bellevue

5,900 of 7,000 new units in Seattle

97% of new housing units in Seattle

38% of new housing units in Bothell and Downtown Bellevue
Thank you

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