

The FHWA Office of Planning published a white paper examining how and why to include shared mobility in regional multimodal transportation planning. The white paper provides a framework for conceptualizing shared mobility as part of the regional transportation planning process, describes opportunities and challenges associated with shared mobility planning and examples of how metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), local governments, transit agencies, and others are integrating shared mobility into their work.

Shared mobility services are becoming common and important modes of travel in many cities — they are changing travel behavior in ways that present both opportunities and challenges to accomplishing regional planning goals, but have not yet become a regular part of the regional transportation planning process.

Why should shared mobility be part of the planning process?



Shared Mobility is an increasingly popular mode of travel



User behavior is changing in response to new services



Transportation Planning Goals may be easier or harder to achieve as a result



Metropolitan Transportation Planning

needs to account for shared mobility to accomplish regional goals

Planning Issues Related to Shared Mobility:

- Ensuring a safe transportation system
- Enhanced mobility for persons without a vehicle
- Equitable access to shared mobility services
- First/last mile connections and expanded access to public transportation
- Impacts on congestion
- Air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions
- Sustainable urban density and land use
- Implications for public infrastructure revenue models

Download the paper at: https://www.planning.dot.gov/documents/SharedMobility_Whitepaper_02-2018.pdf. Contact Corbin.Davis@dot.gov and Camille.Bonham@dot.gov, FHWA Office of Planning, for more information.

MPOs, states, local governments, and transit agencies are beginning to integrate shared mobility into multimodal planning through plans, partnerships, and policies.

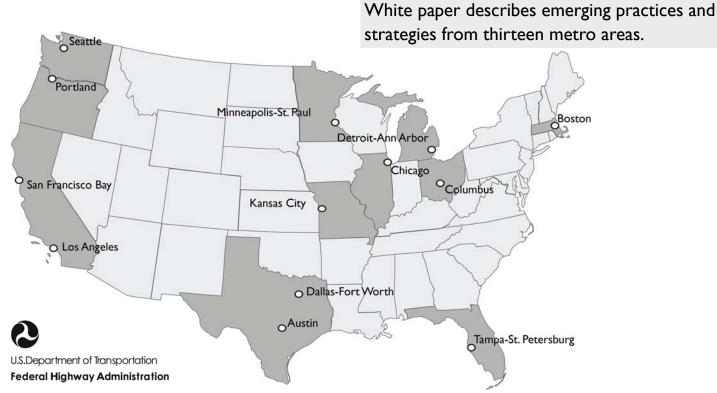
Emerging Shared Mobility Planning Practices & Strategies	
Data Access and	Negotiating access to shared mobility usage data
Sharing	Involving third-parties to coordinate data sharing
	Including data sharing provisions in partnerships and regulatory agreements
Regulating Use of	Establishing guidelines for use of the public right of way
Public Infrastructure	Regulation of pick-up/drop-off zones for ridesourcing/TNCs
Strategic Planning	Scenario planning and visioning to grapple with uncertainty
	Shared mobility planning programs
Operational	Partnerships to enhance public transportation service
Partnerships	Partnerships to enhance ridematching, carpooling, or vanpooling services
	Policies for public agency promotion of shared mobility services
Public Shared	Public microtransit pilot projects
Mobility Services	Public ridesourcing/TNCs to complement or optimize transit
Integrating Shared	Incorporating shared mobility in travel surveys
Mobility into	Collecting data continuously
Modeling and	Using off-model approaches to estimating shared mobility impacts

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MPOs as forums for convening local governments and transportation agencies

Developing model templates for regulations and agreements

Connecting shared mobility to land use planning



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