

Improving Transportation: Connecting All of Us at Any Age

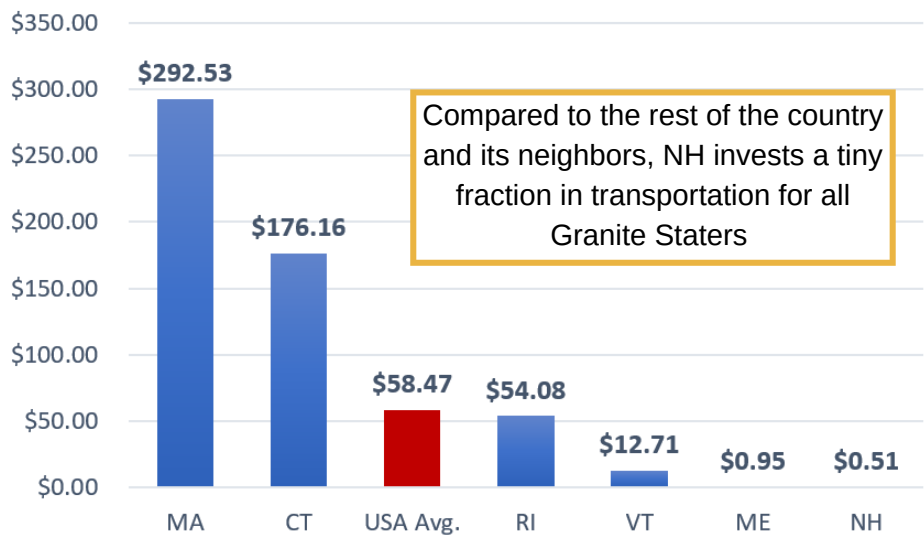
This strategy brief is brought to you by the NH Alliance for Healthy Aging (NH AHA). We are committed to creating communities that support older adults and their families and where New Hampshire's culture, policies, and services advance health, independence, and dignity for all of us as we get older.

To create communities that are good places to grow up and grow old, providing fundamental services such as food, housing, and transportation is crucial. Ensuring transportation options are available and accessible enables residents of all ages to get jobs, connect with family and friends, and continue to access the best parts of our communities.

Challenges to Providing Transportation

Limited funding is a major barrier to providing transportation options in NH. Currently, funding comes from local, state, and federal sources, many of which have not changed in decades. Policy decisions on transportation investment, whether on roads, transit, or sidewalks/trails, have a great impact on the infrastructure, accessibility, and the people that use it.

Transit Funding per Person by State (2017)



Source: Who Needs Transportation? A Snapshot of Transit Need in New Hampshire

DID YOU KNOW?

1 IN 5

People age 65+ don't drive



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Transportation is mentioned as the #1 issue in several age-friendly surveys in NH



86%

of NH communities do not have fixed-route public transit

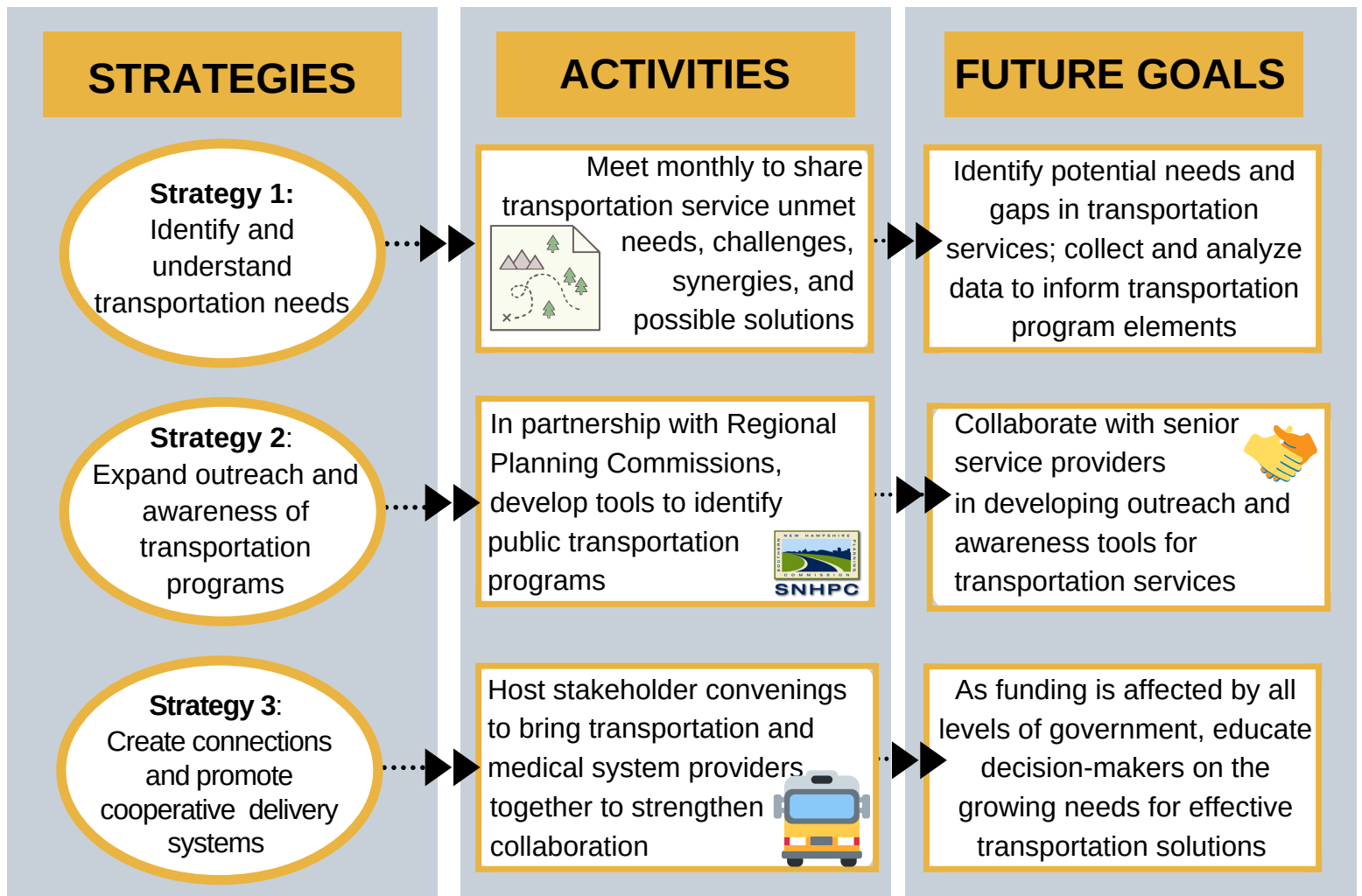


Looking Ahead

As NH is expected to experience a doubling of older people over the next 20 years, new transportation solutions are critical for New Hampshire and its residents.

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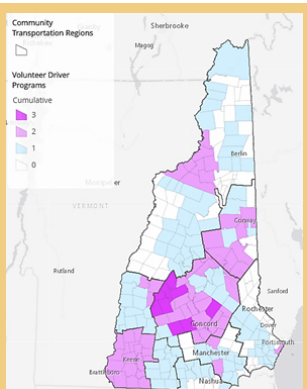
AHA Transportation Activities



Publicly Accessible Volunteer Driver Programs






Surprisingly, approximately 80% of New Hampshire communities have some form of public volunteer driver program. Learn more about the volunteer driver program (VDP) in your area and consider volunteering as a driver.

Explore SNHPC's VDP interactive map and discover what's in your area.



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