

# WALKER COUNTY

## Draft Transit Plan

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# WCTP Overview

- Executive Summary
- Survey Results
- Recommendations



# Executive Summary

- Are there unmet PTN needs ?
- What options are available ?
- How much would they cost ?
- Where would the \$\$ come from ?

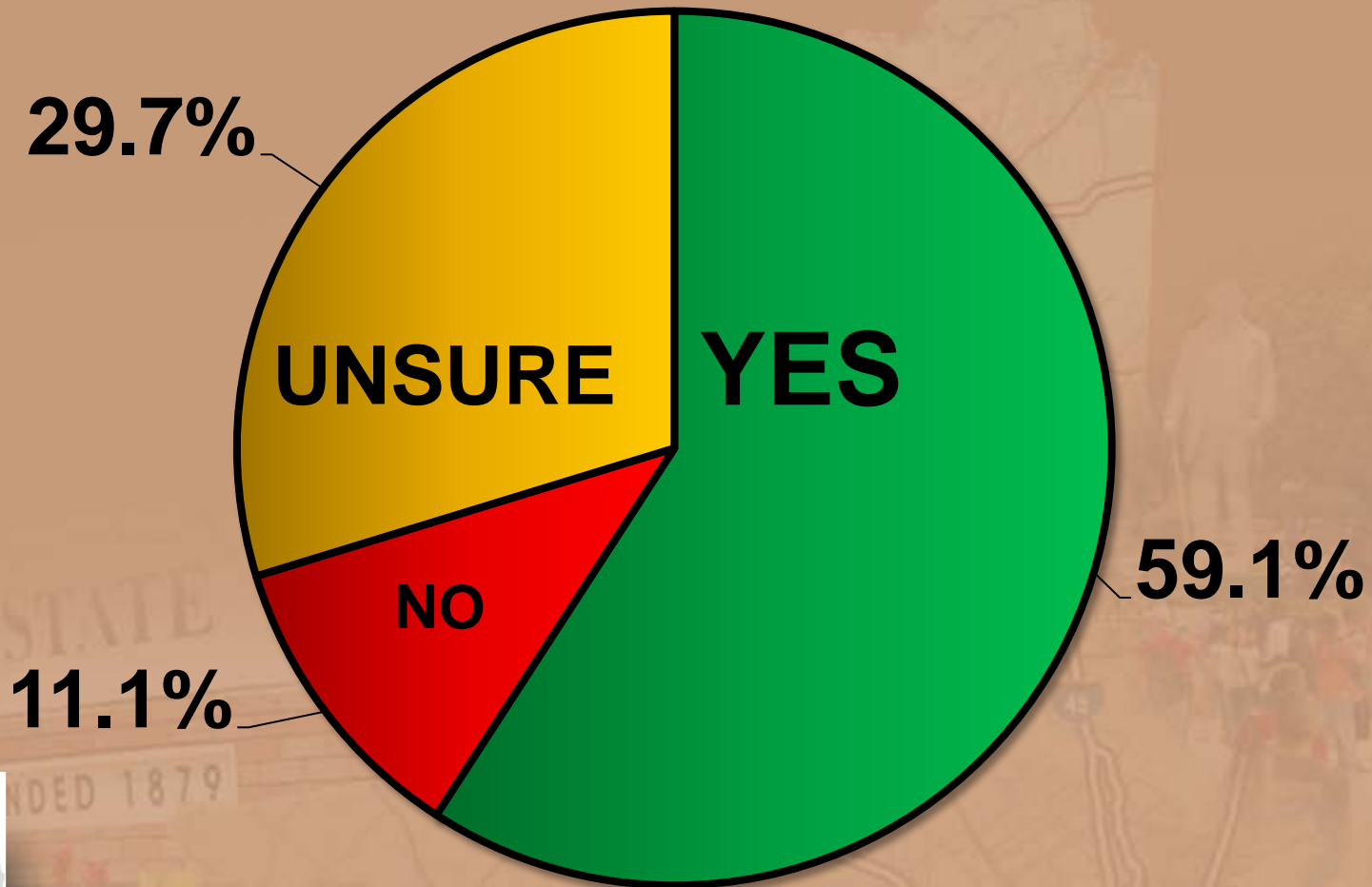


# Survey Responses

- Online Survey Respondents (OSR) 1274.
- Low Income, Elderly, Disabled (LED) 224.
- Spanish 55.

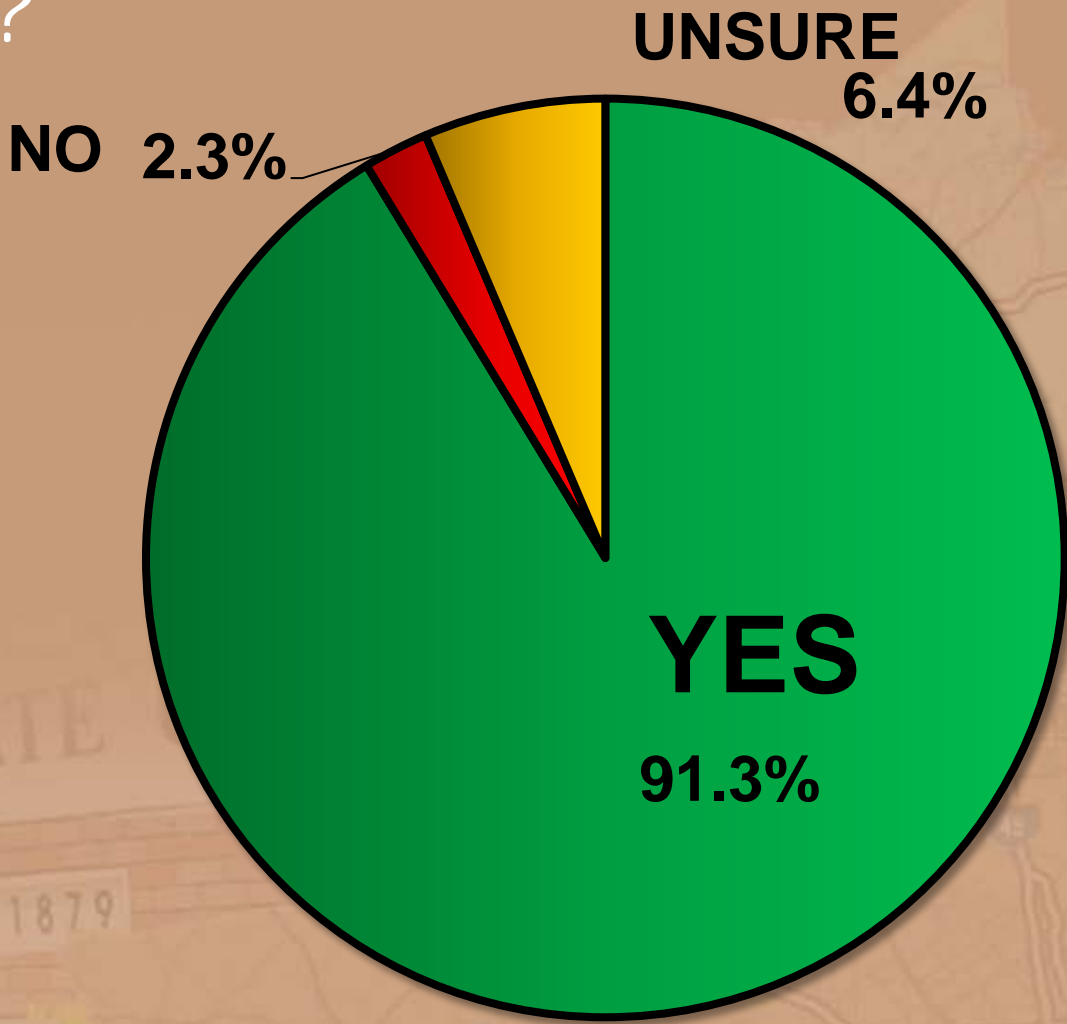


# OSR--Is there a need for expanded public transportation options in Walker County?





# LED--Is there a need for expanded public transportation options in Walker County?



# What options are available ?

- Do nothing.
- Better Coordination (PPP).
- Incremental expansion.
- Re-establish local circulator routes (3).
- Start Intra-County Routes.



# How much would the options cost ?

- Do nothing, \$ 614,000.
- Better Coordination (PPP).
- Incremental expansion, \$1.4 million.
  - **Demand Response Vehicle (1).**
  - **Apartment Shuttles (+).**
  - **Express Bus Services (+).**
  - **Re-establish local circulator routes (3).**





# Where would the \$\$ come from ?

- Proactive Grants Management:
  - TxDOT 5310 Program,
  - Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC),
  - New Freedom,
  - Local Resources.



# What are the benefits ?

- 42,000 new rides.
- Better access to:
  - **employment,**
  - **shopping,**
  - **recreation,**
  - **education.**
- Better Quality of Life for people isolated today.



# Recommendations (1)

- Short Term (less than five years)
  - **Public Information Campaign about available transportation resources.**
  - **Coordinate with The District and the Senior Center for additional demand response vehicle.**
  - **Negotiate transportation expansion plan with apartment owners with shuttle buses.**
  - **Coordinate Express Bus service expansion.**



# Recommendations (2)

- Mid-Term (5-10 years)
  - **Transportation Voucher Program.**
  - **Ways-to-Work car loan program.**
  - **Enhanced Transportation Facilities, TxDOT Park and Ride lot , Greyhound Bus Station.**



# Recommendations (3)

- Long Term (more than 10 years)
  - Local Circulator Routes.
  - Intra-county Connector Routes.
  - Conceptual Planning, Corridor Preservation for future connection to I-45 Passenger Rail.





# Transportation Coordination in Walker County (PPP)

Various organizations within the community working together to use their limited resources more effectively



**Brazos Transit District**



**Senior Center,  
United Way, DARS**



**Apartment Shuttles, Cabs,  
Greyhound**

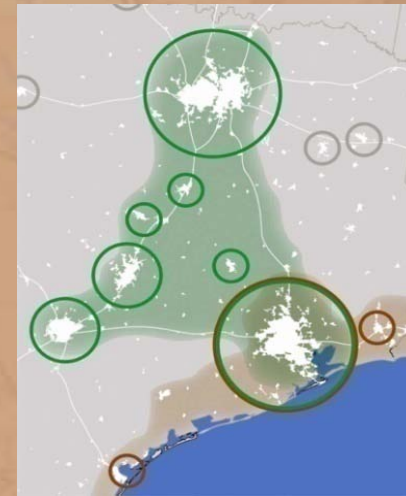


**Community Based Organizations  
TxDOT, H-GAC, FTA**



# Conceptual Planning

**Corridor Preservation for future connection to Passenger Rail between Houston and Dallas-Fort Worth mega-regions.**



# Short Term Action Plan

- Establish Transit Coordination Committee.
- Identify Local Champion.
- Proactive Grants Management.

