

TRANSPORTATION CHOICES COALITION 2020 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES



I-976 Response

Identify and seek legislative support to address the impacts and financial losses imposed by the passage of I-976. This may include addressing long-term, structural barriers to transportation funding.

- **Protect committed funds** — Including Connecting Washington Multimodal Fund and Sound Transit 3, ensuring we keep buses moving and provide lifeline services to those who most depend on it, including those with disabilities and in rural areas.
- **Identify new and flexible transportation revenues**
 - Road Usage Charge — Develop framework for an equitable program that funds state transportation priorities, including safety, environment, and health.
 - Improve local funding — Remove two 10-year Transportation Benefit District limits and expand revenue options.
 - Support innovative and progressive funds to help backfill gaps left by I-976.

Align transportation investments with state goals

HB 2688/SB 6398 would update Washington State transportation goals to include climate, health and equity, and require transportation project lists to include a performance-driven analysis.

Automated traffic safety camera enforcement

HB 1793/SB 5789 (“Don’t block the box, don’t block the bus”) would allow large cities to use traffic camera enforcement for transit lanes, zones, and crosswalks to improve safety and increase transit speed and reliability.

Give public transit agencies flexibility with state-owned, funded, or leased Park & Rides

Seek legislation (SB 5673) to provide flexibility in the way transit agencies can manage customer usage of park and ride facilities, which are either owned by, funded by, or leased from the state.

Parking cashout program.

Transition to a clean and equitable transportation system

- **Climate planning** — Give power to MPOs or otherwise direct comprehensive planning requirements to include greenhouse gas reductions and plan for mitigation and adaptation.
- **Cleaner vehicles and fuels to reduce environmental justice impacts**— Support legislation such as SB 5811 and HB 1999 (reducing emissions by strengthening the clean car standards and clean car program) and HB 1110 and SB 5412 (reducing emissions associated with transportation fuels).
- **Strategic planning for electrification and transit investments** — Develop a transition plan to a sustainable, low-emissions transportation system.

Increase access to sustainable modes

- **Commute Trip Reduction & Transportation Demand Management** — Support and strengthen legacy and expanded demand management programming and policy.
- **Support WSDOT I-5 Corridor Scenario Planning** — HOV 3 and transit networks are top priorities.
- **Ensure new transportation options support safety and complement transit investments** — Center environment, health, equity, and safety in Autonomous Vehicle policy development; Improve privacy around trip data; protect against TNC (Uber/Lyft) preemption bills.



Mission: TCC is working to bring Washingtonians more and better transportation choices - real opportunities to take a bus, catch a train, ride a bike, or walk.

Our legislative agenda supports our strategic goals:

- 1. Connect people to opportunity.** We will prioritize equity and access to transit so that everyone can connect more easily to activities, services, and opportunities.
- 2. Implement essential transit improvements.** We will ensure that policies and voter-approved transit expansions are effectively implemented to support access and foster equitable, healthy communities connected by great transit.
- 3. Lead the way toward progressive solutions.** Great transit choices must be part of the answer to address pressing statewide challenges like population growth, affordable housing, and environmental stewardship.
- 4. Strengthen support for transit.** Through our proven leadership, coalition building, and advocacy, we will leverage, amplify, and expand statewide support for thriving transit communities.

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