

Get There Vancouver – Residential Travel Options Pilot Program

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Get There Vancouver

Program Overview

- Residential travel options pilot program to provide people with resources and support to bike, walk, carpool, and take the bus more often
- Program ran July 2024 February 2025
- Funded by the 2023-2025 WSDOT Regional Mobility Grant, seeking additional funding to iterate program beyond 2025
- Program evaluation used trip diary pre- and postsurvey data and qualitative data and feedback.



Pilot program goals

- Support the use of transportation options
- 2. Provide community members, specifically people who have recently moved, with:
 - Custom transportation information and support
 - Events
 - Rewards and prizes
- 3. Help people walk, bike, carpool, and take the bus more often





Pilot program areas and audience

Near The Green Vine on Fourth Plain Blvd and The Red Vine on Mill Plain Blvd

Where:

- East Vancouver + Mill Plain Blvd
- Fourth Plain Blvd

Who:

- Adult residents who have moved in the past year (July 2023-2024)
- All other adult residents





Participant journey

Awareness Spreading the word about the program

Program Enrollment Getting participants to sign up for the program

Engagement Keeping participants engaged through program offerings





Activities & outputs - awareness

- 3 separate mailers sent to 30,202 households
- 300 flyers, 230 yard signs, and 550 maps were delivered to partners
- Tabled at 11 community events, engaging with nearly 300 attendees
- Materials and program offered in 3 languages: English, Spanish and Russian





Activities & outputs - enrollment

- 10,651 website visits
- 1,259 participants





Activities & outputs - engagement

- Distributed 832 maps and 1,260 rack cards to participants
- Co-hosted 3 custom events/transit adventures
- 1 promotional activity (Café Quest)







Pilot program desired outcomes

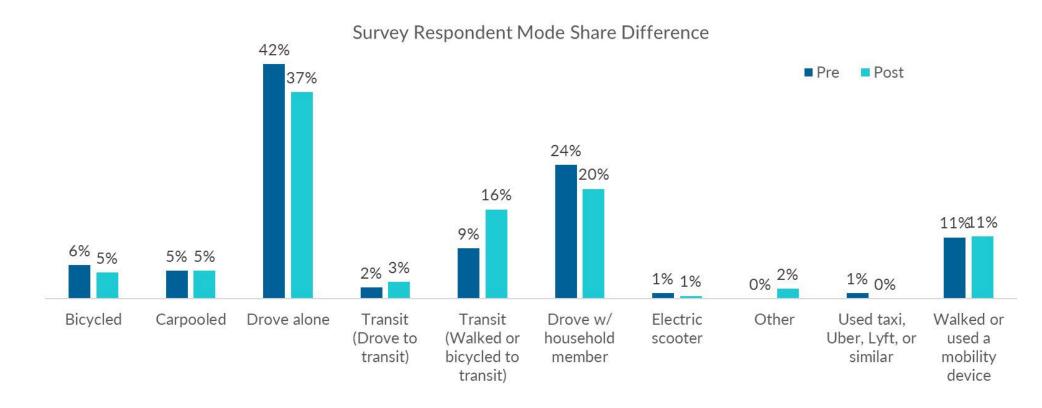
- Increased use of travel options
- Reduce vehicle trips and vehicle miles traveled (VMT)
- Increased confidence, knowledge and desire in using travel options
- Reduced concerns/barriers for using travel options
- Increased sense that using travel options is a community norm in Vancouver





Increased use of travel options

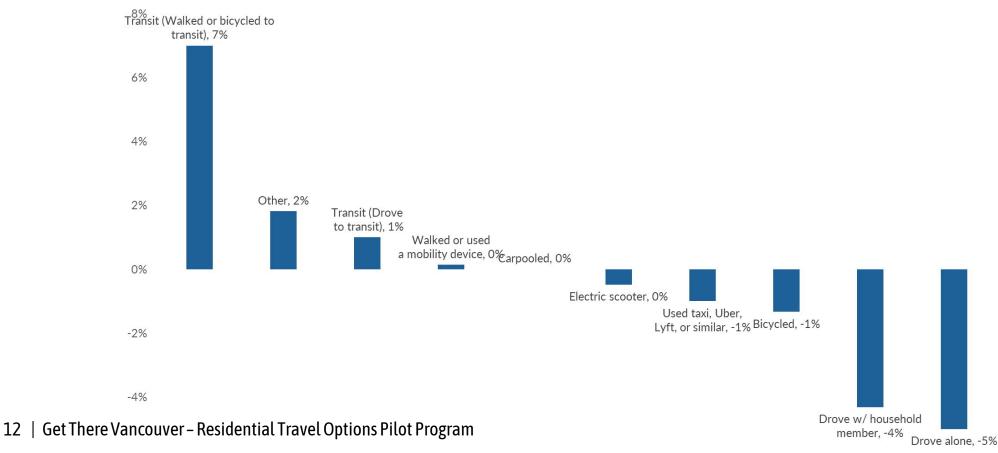
Using transit increased by 7%





Reduced vehicle trips and vehicle miles traveled (VMT)

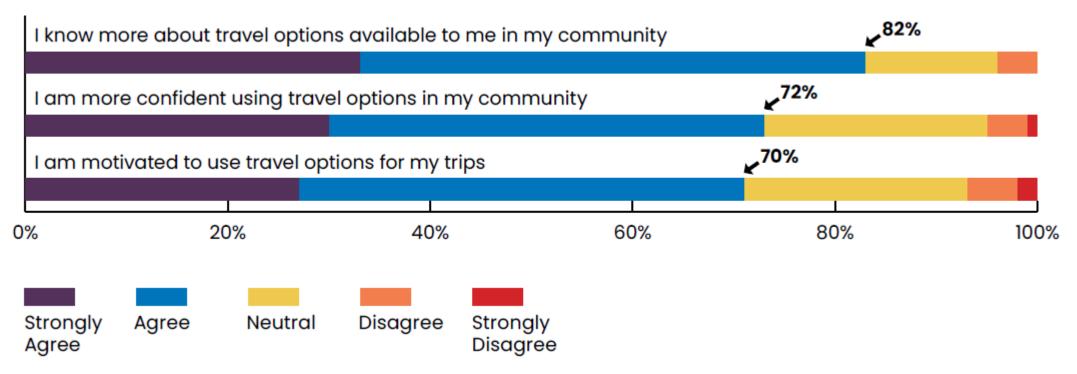
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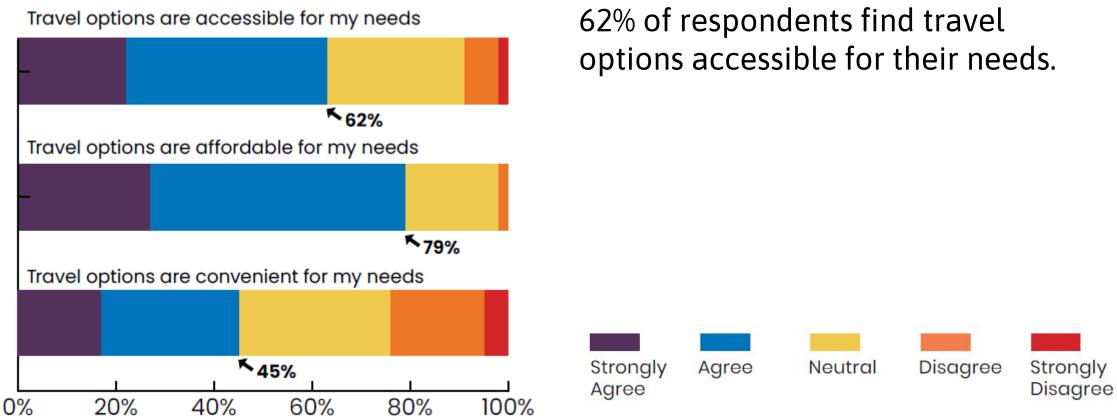
Increased confidence, knowledge and desire in using travel options

82% now know more about alternative travel options available to them in their community.



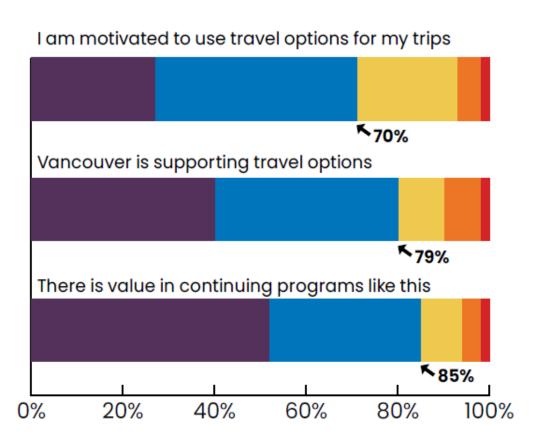


Reduced concerns/barriers for using travel options





Increased sense that using travel options is a community norm in Vancouver



85% of respondents believe continuing programs like Get There Vancouver would be valuable.





Key lessons learned

- Mailers are effective, but costly
- Community-based organizations are valuable outreach partners
- Hop cards were a successful incentive to join the program, but fulfillment and aduting was a big lift
- Custom events were a good way to engage participants, but were costly
- Lower-effort campaigns, like the Café Quest, can be effective





Recommendations for future programs

- Pair with new services: Employing TDM programs alongside future transit or travel options service or access improvements can serve as an interest point for participation
- Focus on new residents: Additional research and consideration should be given to the timeframe and audience of move-related interventions
 - I.E: Focus on the timeframe before or just after a move and people who have moved outside of their neighborhood





Future of program

- Contract and grant ended on June 30
- Program is on pause and goal is to bring it back online in early 2026 to a specific citywide audience, potentially new movers
- City awarded \$160,000 in 2025-2027 Regional Mobility Grant funds for a "Transportation Wallet" program



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