



## Our Vision, Mission, Values, & Goals

Seattle is a thriving equitable community powered by dependable transportation. We're on a mission to deliver a transportation system that provides safe and affordable access to places and opportunities.



# **Agenda**

- Free Youth Transit Pass overview
- Monorail and youth fares
- Impact on TAP funding









## **Background**

- Move Ahead WA passed State legislature in 2022
- \$33.6M available for 2021-2023 biennium
  - ~\$11M going to King County Metro
- Zero-fare policy for youth 18 and younger implemented by October 1, 2022
- King County Metro leading regional efforts to implement
- SDOT no longer involved in subsidizing any youth fare

Community Transit	Everett Transit - started July 1, 2022
King County Metro	King County Water Taxi
Kitsap Ferries	Kitsap Transit
Pierce Transit	Seattle Streetcar
Sound Transit	Washington State Ferries - starts Oct. 1, 2022



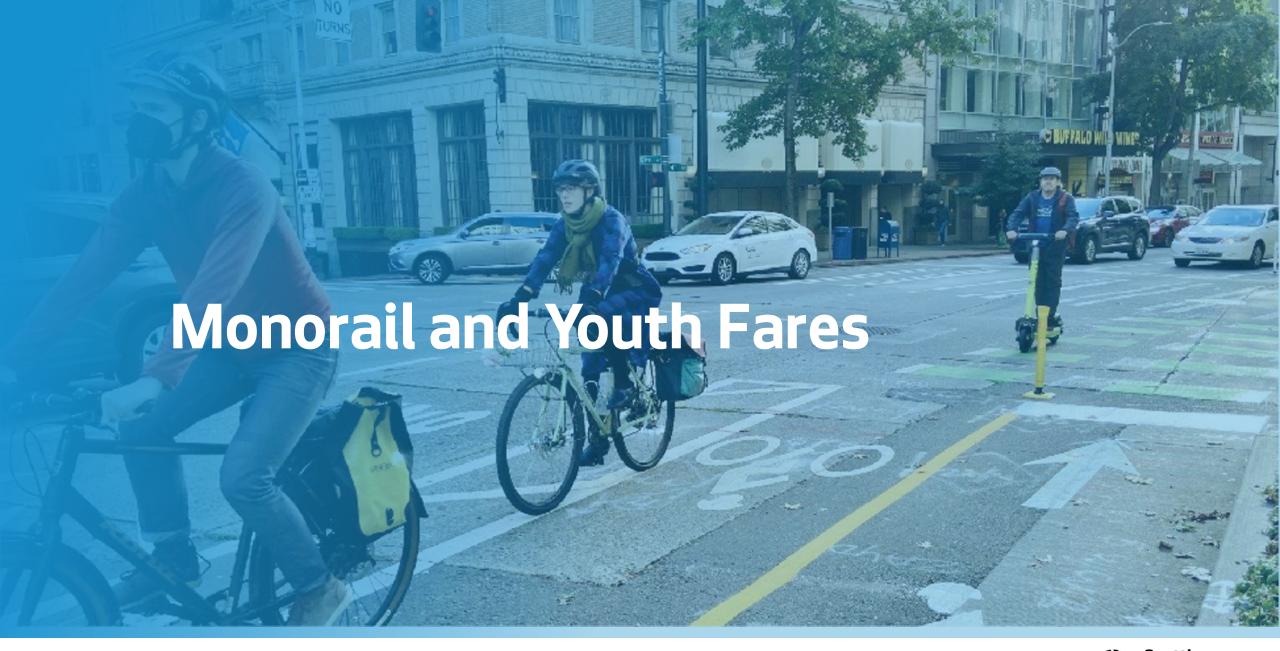
## **Implementation**

- Youth 13-18 encouraged to have ORCA card or student ID when riding
- Keep current ORCA card!
- New cards distributed at schools or through Metro
- Register card on MyORCA.com
- SDOT continue to fund SPS coordinator through 12/2022



Lost your card? Request a **NEW** card on MyORCA.com







### **Monorail & Youth Fares**



- Monorail not an eligible transit agency to receive WSDOT reimbursement
- Currently only transit in Seattle not participating in zero youth fares
- SDOT working with Seattle Center to determine solution

Interim solution for Center School students





## **TAP Funding**

- •\$10M cap on TAP spending
- Previously allocated \$3M for SPS youth fares
- Working on proposal to reinvest funds in TAP portfolio
- Priorities will include opportunities related to SDOT's Transportation Equity Framework (TEF)
- Working on proposal interested in initial feedback from TAB



### **Current Reinvestment Ideas**

- Expanding existing fare subsidy programs for underresourced groups
- 2. Conduct an evaluation relating to perceptions of safety when accessing transportation
- 3. Supporting community-driven projects that address safety and transportation access



## **Questions?**

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