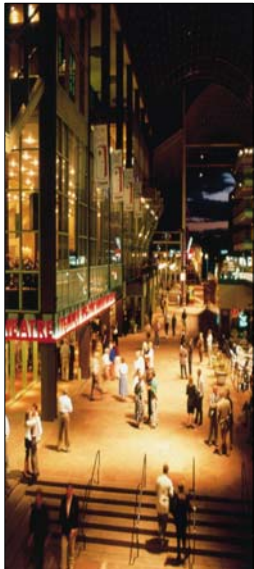




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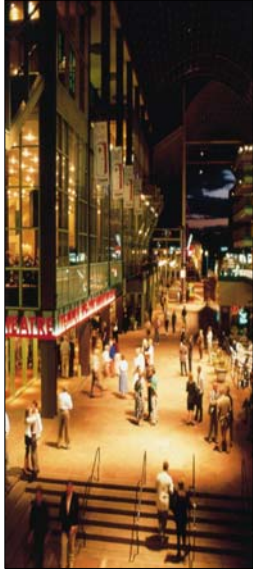
Session One

Transit: The Key to a
Sustainable Denver
September 23, 2009



Agenda - Session 1

- Welcome and Transit Alliance Introduction
Kathleen Osher, Executive Director, Transit Alliance
- Program Overview & Academy Logistics-
Cady Dawson, Assistant Director, Transit Alliance
- Homework Assignments Related to Action Plan
- Participant Introductions
- Past Participant Action Plan Presentations
- Living Streets Action Plan Opportunities
Gideon Berger, City & County of Denver
- Debrief and Session Evaluation



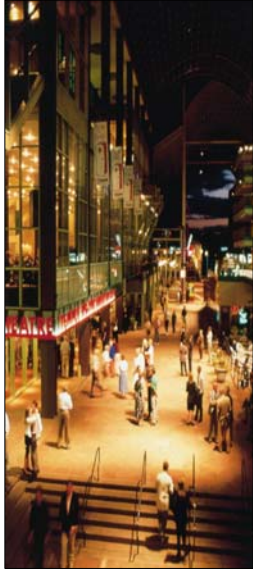
Citizens' Academy Program Mission

Support the regional success of FasTracks, transit and sustainability in the Metro Denver area by providing relevant & timely information to help policy makers, business leaders, and the general public make informed decisions regarding transportation and community development investment.



What To Expect For the Next 7 Weeks

- Group Work/Networking
- Education
 - Presentations by Regional Experts, including RTD, DRCOG, CitiVentures, Kaiser Permanente, etc.
- Hands On Learning / Implementation
 - Grassroots Advocacy
 - Individual Action Plans



Citizens' Academy Desired Outcomes

Academy graduates will:

- Actively educate other citizens regarding the importance of transit and sustainability.
- Actively educate other citizens regarding transportation infrastructure investment.
- Actively gather, analyze and summarize relevant data.
- Support efforts to secure public and private funding.
- Develop new transportation expertise to enable you take on expanded leadership roles in the region.



Overview of the Academy Sessions

Session 1: Welcome and Introduction

Session 2: Metropolitan Planning and TOD
Jill Locantore, DRCOG

Session 3: Reshaping the Denver Metro Region
Peter Park, City and County of Denver

Session 4: The Regional Transportation District & TOD
Bill Sirois

Session 5: The Private Sector and TOD
Marilee Utter, CitiVentures

Session 6: The Built Environment and Public Health
Dr. Eric France, Kaiser Permanente

Session 7: Individual Action Plan Presentations



Citizens' Academy Logistics

- Facility Overview
- Dinner is provided each week.
 - Any allergies you haven't shared?
 - Water and lemonade provided each week; please feel free to bring your own drinks.
- Building locks at 6 PM each week; call number posted on outside door to gain access if late.
- Please let me know in advance if you will be late or unable to attend a session.



Let's Practice What We Preach!

A Challenge!

- RTD is a strong supporter of the Academy...so we are posing a challenge to you. in return they want us to challenge you with taking transit each week to/from the Academy!

The Incentive?

- Looking to obtain free transit passes to those committed to taking transit to/from the Academy each week!



If You Must Drive...

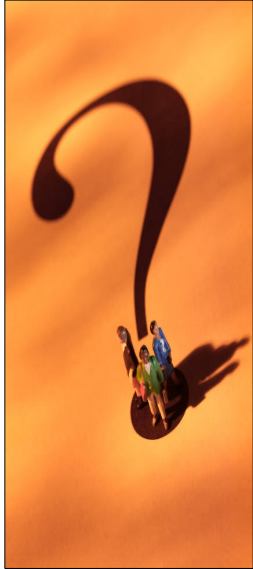
- Meters are usually available around the near our meeting facility.
- Parking lots and garages are available nearby if needed.
- Breaks are built into the Academy, but they are **NOT** at the same time each week. If you need to feed a meter – GO – don't get yourself a parking ticket!



For Next Time

Individual Action Plan

- Review of Citizens' Academy as Action Plan for Transit Alliance
- Development of Objectives, Tactics and Timeline
- For next week...FINALIZE your Action Plan objective based on tonight's discussion
- You DO NOT need to turn in your Action Plan homework each week. Final Action Plan form to be submitted by April 8th.



Final Comments or Questions?

**Before you leave, please complete
the Session Evaluation form and
leave it with us.**