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*Memorandum*

TO: Minority Citizens Advisory Committee –  
Lifeline/EJ Subcommittee

DATE: August 18, 2009

FR: Jennifer Yeamans

RE: Low Income Flexible Transportation (LIFT) Cycle 3 Draft Evaluation

MTC staff and interns recently completed an evaluation of 12 projects funded through the third and final funding cycle of the Low Income Flexible Transportation (LIFT) program. The findings and recommendations from this evaluation are summarized in the attached draft report.

The LIFT program was a result of a partnership between MTC and local San Francisco Bay Area transit, social service, non-profit, and other local government agencies, which MTC administered to respond to transportation challenges faced by the region's low-income residents. The third LIFT cycle totaled \$2.6 million of both federal Jobs Access Reverse Commute funds and State Transit Assistance funding.

The evaluation examines the 12 individual projects in terms of ridership and utilization, efficiency, and outreach/coordination efforts. Moreover, this evaluation serves to examine the LIFT III program and its collective accomplishments in meeting the transportation needs of low-income families in the Bay Area.

With the conclusion of the third and final cycle of LIFT funding, MTC is focusing its efforts to improve mobility for the region's low-income people and communities via the Lifeline Transportation Program.

I will be at your August 25 meeting to receive any comments and answer any questions you have about this evaluation.