Recruitment

Applications are being accepted from individuals who are interested in volunteering to serve on the TARC Accessibility Advisory Council (TAAC). Vacancies and resignations during the 2016 calendar year forward will be filled from qualified applications received during this recruitment.

About the Council

The TAAC consists of 15-18 members including two members appointed by Metro-Louisville government and KIPDA (Kentuckiana Regional Planning and Development Agency). Council members serve a term of one (1) year beginning on January 1st and may be elected to a second, two-year term thereafter.

Membership Qualifications

Any individual that utilizes TARC’s fixed-route or TARC3 Paratransit service; is a senior or an individual with a disability and/or represents such groups is eligible for the election process. This person must be willing to devote the necessary hours to attend meetings of the Council each month. The Council encourages that membership on the Council be ethnically diverse and cover all geographical areas of the service area as well as representation by/for seniors and individuals with varying types of disabilities.

Duties of the Council

The TAAC has been established by TARC to review, comment, and advise the Board of Directors and TARC staff regarding the implementation and enhancement of programs and services for individuals that require universal accessibility. Issues which may be addressed by the Council include, but are not limited to:

- Plans to purchase operating equipment (e.g. buses and other vehicles, passenger lifts, kneelers, steps, and speakers);
- Equipment maintenance and modifications;
- Bus head signs, logos, and signage;
- Appropriateness of bus stop locations;
- Functional arrangements of bus stops (e.g. location, recognition, identification, pole, signage, benches, obstructions);
- Fares, schedules, and routes;
- Operator assistance and transit information centers;
- Public education, awareness, and input;
✓ Staff (including operators) training, awareness, and sensitivity; and
✓ Other accessible public transit matters as requested.

The TAAC currently meets on the third Tuesday afternoon of every month in the boardroom at Union Station located at 1000 W. Broadway; Louisville, Kentucky. Regular meetings typically last 1 ½ hours (from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.). Council members are expected to attend all meetings and be prepared to offer input and participate in the Council process. Although it is not required, it is recommended that prospective applicants attend a meeting to gain more insight as to the Council’s function and purpose.

What type of individuals will be elected?

The Council is interested in electing individuals who:

- Bring diverse views and/or knowledge to the group;
- Show a willingness and openness to listen to the views and interests of others;
- Have direct experience using TARC services;
- Have a commitment to participate in the Council process and are willing to devote approximately two hours a month to attend regular meetings of the Council as well as preparing for those meetings; and
- Have a commitment to participate in one or more TAAC committees which usually meet once or twice a month for approximately one to two hours.

Applications may be obtained from TARC’s Paratransit Office.

TARC Paratransit Office
1000 West Broadway
Louisville KY, 40202
Phone: (502) 213-3217

Applications may also be emailed to vferne@ridetarc.org or faxed to: 502-213-3251.