

Letters of Support

Fallbrook Area Transportation Coalition - Rachel Mason, CEO; on behalf of the following entities:

- Boys & Girls Club of North County
- Facilitating Access to Coordinated Transportation (FACT)
- Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce
- Fallbrook Regional Health District
- Fallbrook Senior Center
- Fallbrook Unified High School District
- Foundation for Senior Care
- North County Fire Protection District
- Palomar College
- Vallecitos School District

City of Vista - Corinna Contreras, Councilmember

Palomar College - Star Rivera-Lacy, Superintendent/President

Vista Community Clinic (VCC) - Fernando Sañudo, Chief Executive Officer

Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce - Lila Hargrove, CEO

June 13, 2024

Mr. Shawn Donaghy, Executive Director
North County Transit District
810 Mission Avenue
Oceanside, CA 92054

SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR NCTD's NCTD+ On-Demand Microtransit Pilot: Phase 2 and 3 – SANDAG Access for All Grant Program

Dear Mr. Donaghy,

On behalf of the Fallbrook area transportation coalition, which includes the Fallbrook Regional Health District, Palomar College, Fallbrook Union High School District, Vallecitos School District, North County Fire Protection District, Facilitating Access to Coordinated Transportation (FACT), Fallbrook Senior Center, Foundation for Senior Care, Boys & Girls Club of North County, the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce and several other local organizations, I am writing to express support for the NCTD+ On-Demand Microtransit Pilot: Phase 2 and 3 application submitted by the North County Transit District (NCTD) for funding consideration under Cycle 2 of the SANDAG Access for All (AFA) Grant Program.

NCTD has an extensive multi-modal transit network that serves a diverse community, including many residents who rely on public transit for their daily needs. NCTD+ On-Demand Microtransit aims to address existing gaps in WAV (Wheelchair accessible vehicle) service, particularly in historically disadvantaged areas such as the Vista Zone (Phase 2) and the Fallbrook-Pala Zone (Phase 3). This project is crucial for providing essential mobility options to residents to allow them to better connect to traditional fixed route rail or bus service and other key destinations within the zone.

In the Vista Zone, where 10% of residents lack access to transit within a reasonable distance, and in the Fallbrook-Pala Zone, where 61% of residents are similarly underserved, the NCTD+ service will make a significant impact. The Vista Zone comprises 75% minority populations and 34% low-income populations, while the Fallbrook-Pala Zone includes 70% minority populations and 42% low-income populations. Both zones contain CARB low-income tracts, Areas of Persistent Poverty, and disadvantaged tracts identified by the Federal Climate & Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST). Additionally, the Fallbrook-Pala Zone includes access to a local community college that has no existing transit connectivity, offering affordable mobility options to rural and tribal communities. Three additional school districts, both the health and fire districts, as well as many nonprofit partners and the Fallbrook Chamber of Commerce also see how this transportation option will connect our seniors, students, military and migrant workers with access to the greater community of San Diego County. The project's emphasis on shared rides and fare incentives supports environmental sustainability and complements public transit by integrating with the fixed transit network.

The Fallbrook area transportation coalition together and as separate members strongly supports this funding opportunity for the NCTD+ project and looks forward to seeing its successful implementation.

On behalf of the entities below,



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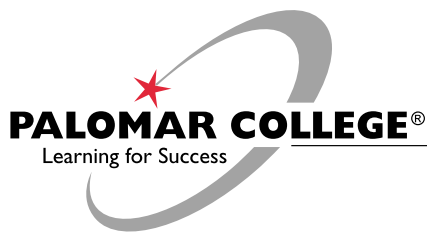
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The City of Vista supports this funding opportunity for the NCTD+ project and looks forward to seeing its successful implementation.

Sincerely,

Corinna Contreras
Councilmember



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Star Rivera-Lacey, Ph.D.

Superintendent/President

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Executive Director
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Fernando Sañudo
Chief Executive Officer





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