



MEMORANDUM

To: Regional Economy Committee

From: CMAP Staff

Date: April 27, 2023

Subject: Job Access and Quality Assessment Tool Implementation

Purpose: A follow-up and response to the January 26, 2023 Committee discussion and feedback on the Job Access and Quality Tool.

Action Requested: Information

In advance of the January 26, 2023 Regional Economy Committee meeting, CMAP worked with a subset of Committee members to work with the Job Access and Quality Assessment tool (the Tool) and provide feedback and input on their experience, observations, utilization of the tool, and suggested improvements during a Committee discussion.

Thanks to the meaningful and candid feedback from the Committee, CMAP is re-engaging the consultant, TIP Strategies, Inc., to further develop and implement usage of the Tool.

This project will:

1. Create a steering committee of Regional Economy Committee members and other regional and local stakeholders to provide input on refinements to the Tool.
2. Establish an engagement and implementation strategy to reach regional and local stakeholders and empower them to utilize the Tool.
3. Update the Tool data to ensure the most recent, and any newly available data, is included.
4. Develop a standalone document that describes the Tool methodology and outlines a user guide
5. Refine and expand how we measure job quality to build stronger connections to transportation, job attainment, and other factors to define job quality and access.

The anticipated project timeline is May 2023 through December 2023.