

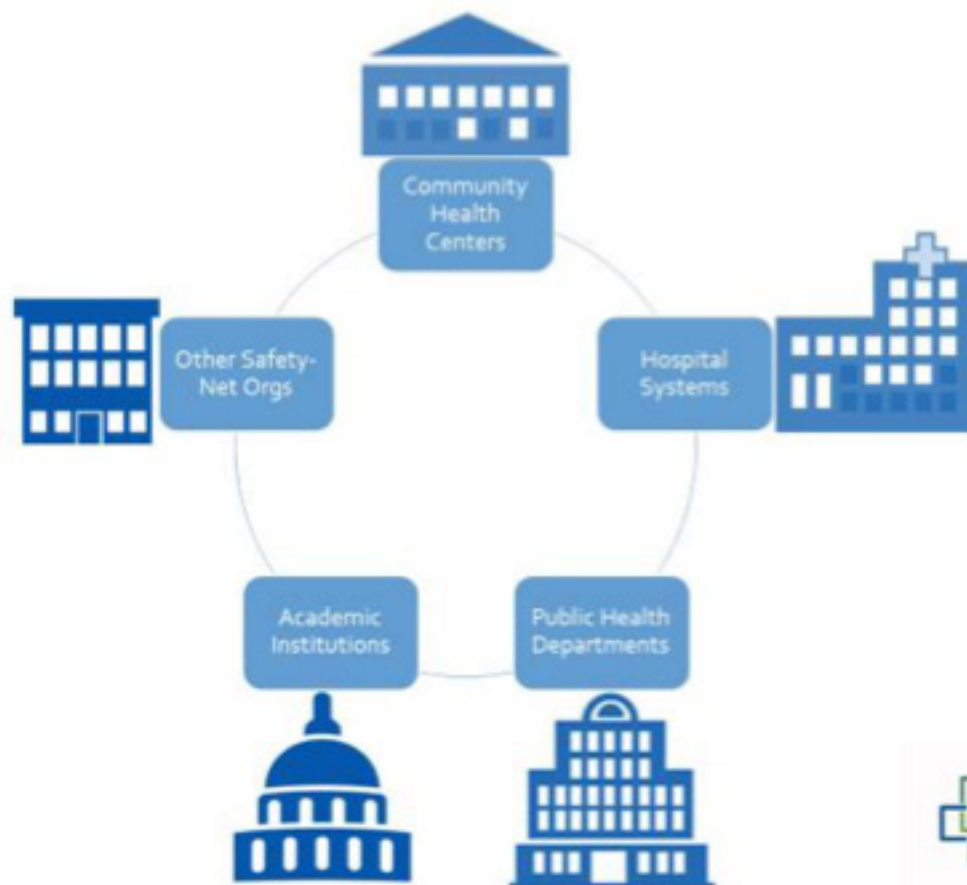
# RESPONSIVE PUBLIC TRANSIT PROMOTES EVERYONE'S HEALTH

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Together, IHN members provide more than 2 million primary and specialty care encounters each year.

# ACHIEVING EQUITY UTILIZING TARGETED UNIVERSALISM

- Targeting within universalism means to identify a problem, *particularly one suffered by marginalized people*, propose a solution, and then broaden its scope to cover as many people as possible.
- With equity as the outcome, Targeted Universalism supports the unique needs of the particular with scalability that reminds us that *we are all part of the same social and economic fabric*.
- By targeting the challenges within transportation equity, all people will receive benefits as members of the shared St. Louis society.



# A PLACE TO START

- *We envision that every rider should have a well-lit place that is protected from the elements when using public transportation*
  - In St. Louis, only 28% of bus stops include a bench, and only 12% include a shelter
  - In North City (63106, 63107), approximately 32% of bus stops have a light source within 10 meters
- *We envision that public transit should be accessible to everyone in St. Louis, regardless of community membership*
  - 24% of black households have no vehicle access and are dependent on public transit
  - 73% of black individuals rely on public transit, compared to 18% of white individuals
  - 21.9% of households in St. Louis do not own a vehicle, 27.8% live under the FPL

# A PLACE TO START

- *We envision that a lack of access to public transit is no longer a barrier to receiving healthcare services*
  - As many as 50% of missed healthcare appointments are considered transit related
  - As much as 40% of ED social work time is spent finding transportation solutions
  - Nationally, 3.5 million Americans delay or miss health appointments due to a lack of transportation
  - The infant mortality rate for black infants is 3x higher than it is for white infants
  - 28% of pregnant women are unable to begin or receive prenatal care because of barriers to transportation



# WHAT THIS MEANS

- Without equitable access to healthcare, marginalized populations will continue to experience systemic barriers to health services, including:
  - Missed healthcare appointments
  - Lower medication utilization
  - Low healthcare utilization
  - High mortality rates and poor health outcomes
- *Reliable and accessible public transit options are essential to realize positive health outcomes for everyone in St. Louis.*
  - Increase the sense of urgency that black communities experience higher rates of preventable diseases and generational affects of trauma because of infant and maternal mortality.