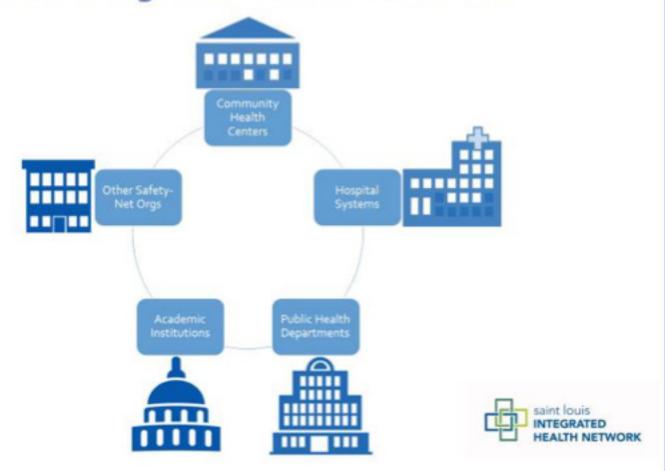
RESPONSIVE PUBLIC TRANSIT PROMOTES EVERYONE'S HEALTH

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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.

THE PROMISE ZONE

- The Promise Zone target area is the largest of 20 federally-designated zones in the country
- Part of the St. Louis ReCAST Initiative, focused on community projects that target violence prevention, youth engagement, peer support, and mental health.
- ReCAST communities call us to elevate our attention to: Public Transit Safety, Transit and Food Access, Transit and



The Promise 20the recognizes that without transit access to healthcare, community members in these areas face higher rates of missed doctor's appointments, limited recovery and prescription access, the overutilization of the ER due to limited PCP access.

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

CHC Partners; Syed, Berber, & Sharp, 2013; Planning and Urban Design Agency of the City of St. Louis; Project LAUNCH; For The Sake Of All, 2015; American Community Survey, 2010-2012; Connected 2045, 2015; Phillippi, 2009

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.

