

STIF funding is making a difference everyday in every corner of Oregon

Linn Shuttle

Providing Mobility and Access in Rural Oregon



For many Oregonians, including in Linn County, transit is the only accessible and affordable way to get to almost anywhere

Senior Citizens of Sweet Home, Inc. (SCOSHI) is a nonprofit that operates the Linn Shuttle as a subrecipient of Linn County. SCOSHI also operates the Sweet Home Transportation program that includes Dial-a-Bus service and the Sweet Home Shopper as a subrecipient of the City of Sweet Home.

Most of SCOSHI's riders are riders of need, not convenience. Linn County is historically marginalized. A significant part of riders in our service area subsist below the federal poverty line.

The Linn Shuttle is a commuter route that serves Foster, Sweet Home, Lebanon and Albany. The Shuttle links to the Albany Train Station and Amtrak, Linn-Benton Loop and Albany Transit. The Sweet Home Shopper serves high-poverty areas in east county.

Impact of STIF Funding. With STIF funding, Linn Shuttle service grew from seven to 10 trips per day, with routes running until 10 pm. A stop was added at WinCo-Kohls in Albany on Saturdays. SCOSHI bought two CAT-D buses. Sweet Home Shopper CASCADIA service was expanded from four to nine trips per week. Dial-a-Bus service was maintained. Expanded service continued throughout the pandemic and provided more than 51,280 rides.

Increased STIF Funding. With additional funds, SCOSHI would further expand Sweet Home Shopper service, expand Dial-a-Bus service and sustain the Linn Shuttle's expanded service. We also need to replace old buses and vans and pay competitive wages to retain bus drivers.

