Applications are being accepted from individuals who are interested in volunteering to serve on the District’s Accessibility Advisory Committee (AAC).

The AAC consists of 14 members with two members being appointed by each of the seven elected members of the District’s Board of Directors. Representation on the Committee will cover all geographical areas of the District. Committee members shall serve a term of one (1) year beginning March 1st. Members shall continue to serve after one year until their successors are appointed, but shall not extend beyond the appointing Director’s term of office. Appointed members shall complete and file with the District Secretary a Statement of Economic Interest pursuant to the District’s Conflict of Interest Code.

It is important that there be representation by people who utilize AC Transit’s fixed route bus system, are seniors or individuals with a disability or who represent groups of seniors or individuals with a disability. The AAC encourages individuals from a variety of ethnic groups to submit applications.

Duties of the Committee

The AAC has been established by the District to review, comment, and advise the Board of Directors and District staff regarding implementation and enhancement of programs and services for elderly and disabled people.

Issues which may be addressed by the Committee include, but are not limited to:

- Plans to purchase operating equipment (e.g. buses and other vehicles, passenger lifts, kneelers, steps, and speakers);
- Equipment maintenance and modifications;
- Bus head signs, logos, and signage;
- Appropriateness of bus stop locations;
- Functional arrangements of bus stops (e.g. location, recognition, identification, pole, signage, benches, obstructions);
- Fares, schedules, and routes;
- Operator assistance and transit information centers;
- Public education, awareness, and input;
- Staff (including operators) training, awareness, and sensitivity; and
- Other accessible public transit matters as requested by the Board and Staff.

The AAC currently meets on the second Tuesday afternoon of every month in the 10th floor conference room located at 1600 Franklin Street in Oakland. Regular meetings typically last 3 ½ hours (begin at 1:00 p.m. and run until 4:30 p.m.). Committee members are
expected to be on time to all meetings and be prepared to offer input and participate in the Committee process. Although it is not required, it is recommended that prospective applicants attend a meeting to gain more insight as to the Committee’s function and purpose. It is requested that participants and attendees of AAC meetings refrain from wearing scented products as there may be attendees who are susceptible to environmental illnesses. Upon advance request, sign language interpreters will be provided for hearing impaired persons attending AAC meetings.

All AAC members, during their tenure on the AAC will receive a fixed route bus pass similar to the type of pass provided by the District to its temporary employees.

**What type of persons will be selected?**

The Board is interested in appointing individuals who:

- Bring to the group diverse views and/or knowledge;
- Show a willingness and openness to listen to the views and interests of others;
- Have direct experience using AC Transit service;
- Have a commitment to participate in the Committee process and are willing to devote approximately three hours a month to attend regular meetings of the Committee as well as preparing for those meetings; and
- Have a commitment to participate in one or more AAC sub Committees which usually meet once or twice a month for approximately two to three hours.

Applications may be obtained from the District Secretary’s Office. Return your completed application by **February 6, 2009** to:

AC Transit District Secretary’s Office  
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor  
Oakland, California 94612-2806  
Phone:  (510) 891-7284  
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Applications may be faxed to: (510) 891-4705

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