

**473.371 POLICY; GOALS.**

Subdivision 1. **Policy.** The legislature finds that, for the provision of essential mobility and transportation options in the metropolitan area, for the encouragement of alternatives to the single-occupant vehicle and for the development of transportation service designed to meet public needs efficiently and effectively, there is a need for the creation of transit programs in the metropolitan area.

Subd. 2. **Goals.** The goals of sections 473.371 to 473.449 are as follows:

(a) to provide, to the greatest feasible extent, a basic level of mobility for all people in the metropolitan area;

(b) to arrange to the greatest feasible extent for the provision of a comprehensive set of transit and paratransit services to meet the needs of all people in the metropolitan area;

(c) to cooperate with private and public transit providers to assure the most efficient and coordinated use of existing and planned transit resources; and

(d) to maintain public mobility in the event of emergencies or energy shortages.

**History:** 1984 c 654 art 3 s 115; 1994 c 628 art 3 s 59