

Albuquerque, NM

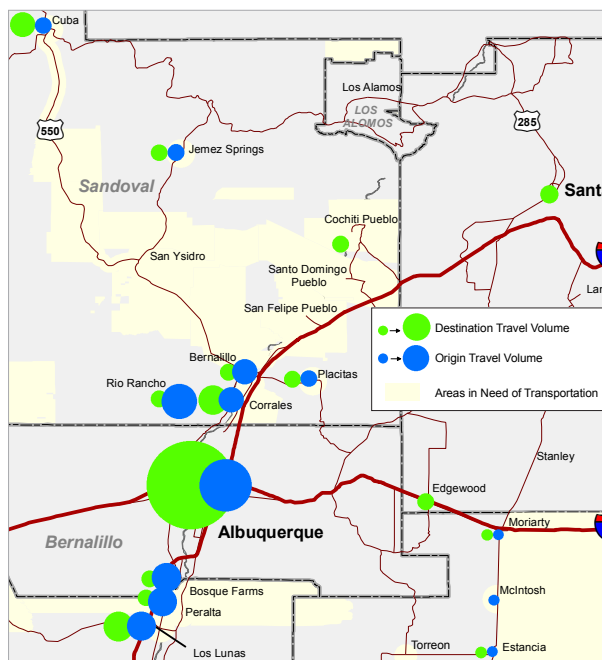
MRCOG United We Ride Coordination Plan



The Mid-Region Council of Governments (MRCOG) is the metropolitan planning organization for the four-county area of New Mexico surrounding Albuquerque, including Bernalillo, Sandoval, Torrance, and Valencia Counties. Some public transportation is available around the more urbanized parts of these counties, but the majority of the region is sparsely populated and underserved. The limited demand responsive service is provided by an assortment of municipalities, human services organizations, senior service agencies, and three Managed Care Organizations, all in an uncoordinated fashion.

Nelson\Nygaard was retained by MRCOG to develop a framework for coordinating human services transportation in this four-county area. Under the guidance of a regional coordination committee, Nelson\Nygaard interviewed numerous public, private, and nonprofit transportation providers, documented the existing service delivery and funding mechanisms, and identified instances of service duplication and gaps. Based on the results, a set of alternative coordination models and organizational structures was developed and evaluated.

Additional tasks included the development of a cost allocation and financial plan, and the development of a common invoicing and reporting format.



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