

**Community Focus Statement D:** Improve transportation options and road conditions in Homestead Valley

**Action Statement D.3:** Collaborate with the Morongo Basin Transit Authority to improve transit in Homestead Valley, including new or extended routes, increases in bus frequency, and longer operating hours as appropriate.\*



**Benchmark:** Expansion of transit services through fixed-route or flexible services.

**Champion:** Volunteer group or person or can be identified by the community

**Estimated Cost:** \$50,000–\$100,000 annually

Action	Action Leader	Timeline	Resources
1. Organize a group of stakeholders from local nonprofits (Transit Improvement Committee) and advocate for the expansion of transit services and amenities.	Champion	Month 1 - 3	Federal Transit Administration – Provides resources for enhanced mobility of seniors & individuals with disabilities – Section 5310 <a href="https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/enhanced-mobility-seniors-individuals-disabilities-section-5310">https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/grants/enhanced-mobility-seniors-individuals-disabilities-section-5310</a>  Morongo Basin Transit Authority <a href="http://www.mbtabus.com/">http://www.mbtabus.com/</a>
2. Contact appropriate County and State departments (Caltrans) and local transit agency (Morongo Basin Transit Authority).	Transit Improvement Committee	Month 3 – 6	
3. Develop a transit/mobility needs assessment for the community (if necessary).	Transit Improvement Committee	Month 6 – 9	
4. Identify areas of improvement.	Transit Improvement Committee	Month 9 – 12	
5. Meet with Morongo Transit to discuss annual cost for recommended improvements. Coordinate on cost sharing alternatives to fund improvements.	Transit Improvement Committee	Year 2	
6. Establish recommended improvements, and ensure cost estimate and implementation plans are in place.	Transit Improvement Committee	On-going	

\*Community would prefer a bus stop at Johnson Valley Community Center.