

AGENDA

Joint Meeting

Johnson County Board of Supervisors; City of Coralville; City of Hills; City of Iowa City; City of Lone Tree; City of North Liberty; City of Oxford; City of Solon; City of Swisher; City of Tiffin; City of University Heights; Clear Creek Amana Community School District Board; Iowa City Community School District Board; and University of Iowa

Monday, January 22, 2024

City Hall in Coralville; Council Chambers

4:30 PM

Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions

1. Public Comments (10 minutes)
2. Presentation on Johnson County Community Violence Intervention by Rachel Zimmermann Smith, Johnson County Attorney and Jes Lang, Johnson County Community Violence Intervention Coordinator. (Johnson County)
3. Discussion on Trip Connect, a northern Johnson County demand response transportation pilot (Johnson County).
4. 988 Update by Sarah Nelson, Chief Executive Officer of CommUnity (Iowa City).
5. Other Business

Adjourn

JOCO CVI

JOHNSON
COUNTY
COMMUNITY
VIOLENCE
INTERVENTION



**CONNECTION.
COMMUNITY.
PREVENTION.**

HOW DID THIS START IN JOHNSON COUNTY?

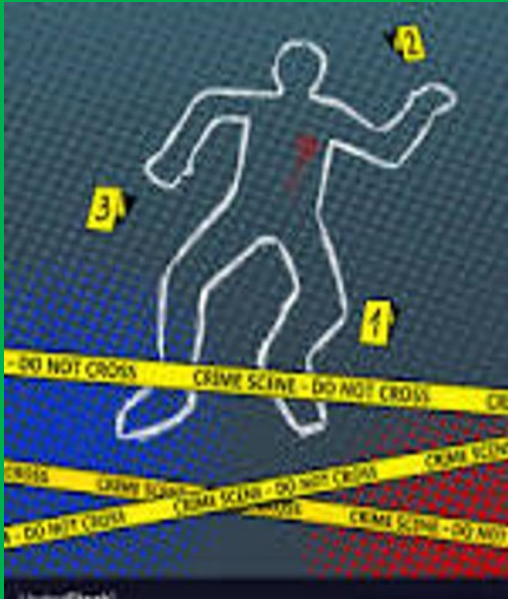
In March of 2022 Johnson County Attorney, First Assistant County Attorney, and County Board of Supervisor Chair sought to learn about a Community Violence Intervention (CVI) model implemented in Linn County.

In April of 2022, law enforcement, nonprofit, and governmental organization partners were invited to a CVI introductory session they hosted.

In May of 2022, two Strategic Planning Sessions and a Street Outreach/Customs Notification training were held with over 30 participants.



JOHNSON COUNTY FATALITIES FROM GUN VIOLENCE



2017-2022

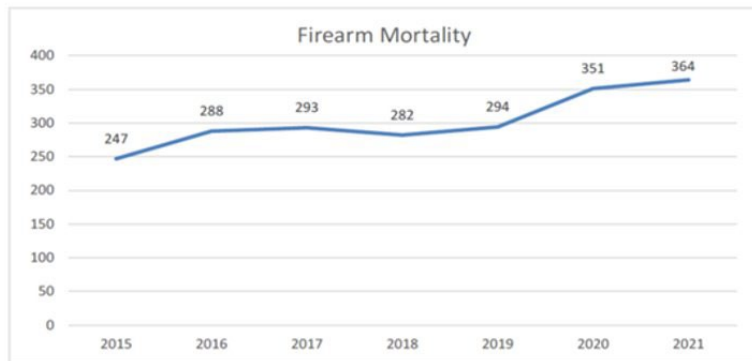
**10 OUT OF 12 HOMICIDES -
THE MANNER OF DEATH WAS FATAL
GUNSHOT WOUNDS**

**ONE DEATH IS TOO MANY!
OUR HOPE IS TO BE PROACTIVE INSTEAD OF
REACTIVE AND KEEP GUN CRIMES AND
HOMICIDES AT ZERO IN JOHNSON COUNTY.**



GUN VIOLENCE IS A GROWING PROBLEM

- GUN RELATED DEATHS ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGHER FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN IOWANS.
- THE DISPARITY FOR GUN RELATED HOMICIDE IS EVEN GREATER WITH 17.3 PER 100,000 FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS VS. 1.1 PER 100,000 FOR CAUCASIANS.
- THE GUN SUICIDE RATE IN 2020 FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS WAS 7.8 PER 100,000 POPULATION COMPARED TO 3.2 PER 100,000 FOR CAUCASIANS.



Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Center for Health Statistics

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports Iowa's 2021 firearm mortality rate to be among the 12 lowest in the country – 11.2 per 100,000 population (364 deaths). This compares to the national average of 13.7 deaths per 100,000 population. While the number of firearm-related deaths in Iowa remains low, relative to the national average, our state has experienced a significant 47% increase in firearm-related deaths from 2015 – 2021 (247 vs 364).

GUN VIOLENCE IS A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS!



ICPD STREET CRIMES UNIT SHOTS FIRED STATISTICS



GUN RELATED CHARGES – JOHNSON COUNTY

Yearly Comparable of Shots Fired

	Shots Fired Incidents	Number of Shots Fired	People Struck by Gunfire	Non-Suicide Deaths Caused by Gunfire
2019	15	56	4	0
2020	57	303	14	2
2021	37	224	17	5
2022	13	66	4	1

Statute	2019	2020	2021	2022
724.26 Possession Receipt/Dominion Control of Weapons by Felons and others	21	22	35	52
708.8 Going Armed with Intent	8	7	9	19
708.6 Intimidation with Dangerous Weapons	6	5	10	14
724.16A Trafficking in Stolen Weapons	4	2	9	9
724.8B Persons Ineligible to Carry Dangerous Weapons	0	0	13	41
724.4C Possession or Carrying While Under the Influence	0	5	33	19



COMMUNITY GUN VIOLENCE FACTS

GUN VIOLENCE IS HIGHLY CONCENTRATED

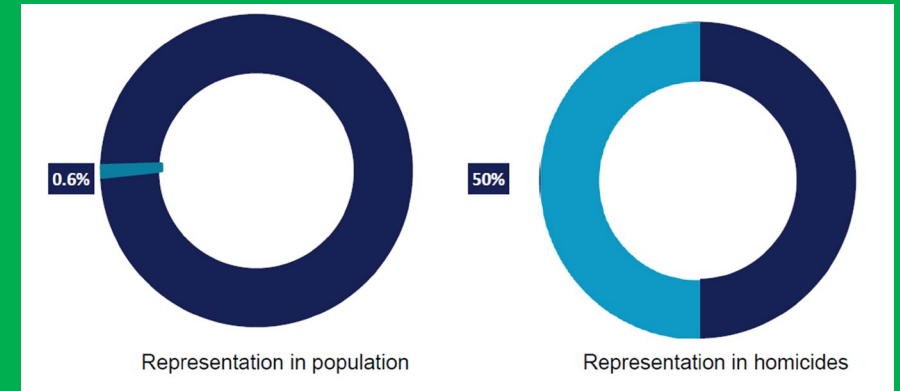
Majority of violence concentrates in “hot spots”

Violence concentrates among “hot people”

Violence also facilitated by a few “hot” behaviors such as illegal gun carrying, and drug conflicts

The most serious violence involves a very small number of people (typically 0.6% of the city's population)

Groups are at the **center of the violence**, both as victims and as perpetrators



WHAT IS CVI?

Community Violence Intervention is an evidence-informed strategy that has repeatedly demonstrated that violence can be dramatically reduced when community members stand and act together with law enforcement and social service providers to focus on a three-pronged anti-violence message in highly active areas of the community.



WHO IS INVOLVED IN THE WORK OF CVI?



Local Law Enforcement



Community Members



Credible Messengers
& Community Partners

CVI programs serve as a vital way to connect community resources to the people who need them most by addressing root causes of gun violence in a holistic way that cannot be done by law enforcement or community partners alone.

IT TAKES A VILLAGE!!



DIRECT COMMUNICATION

Call-In

Face to face meeting between the GVI partnership and people involved in groups, representing all groups in the CVI area.

Custom Notifications

Flexible and customizable visits that communicate the CVI message to specific people, often based off recent or anticipated violent incidents.

Community-Police Response to Victims of Violence

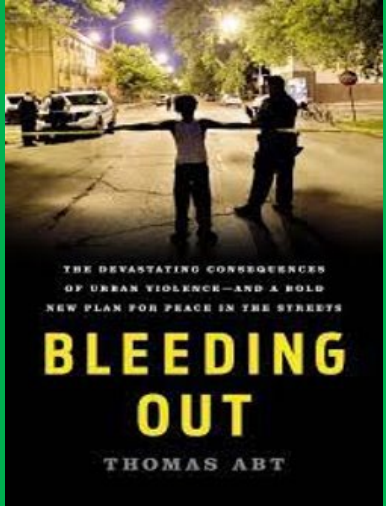
Community-led communication of support and sympathy to recent victims of violence and their families.



WHAT JOCO CVI HAS DONE SO FAR



- JUNE 5, 2023 HIRED COMMUNITY VIOLENCE COORDINATOR
- COMMUNITY VIRTUAL BOOK STUDY - *BLEEDING OUT* BY THOMAS ABT (*FUTURE SESSIONS TBD*)
- CALL-IN WITH LOCAL TEENS
- VISITS TO OTHER PROGRAMS (LINN COUNTY, DAVENPORT, DES MOINES)
- HAVI CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO - CVIs FROM ALL OVER U.S.
- CREATED LOGO & ESTABLISHED BRANDING GUIDELINES FOR JOCO CVI
- PRESENT JOCO CVI TO IOWA CITY COUNCIL
- JOCO CVI TRAININGS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS (*FUTURE SESSIONS TBD*)
- SOLIDIFIED EXECUTIVE STAKEHOLDER GROUP AND LAW ENFORCEMENT WORKGROUP
- LAW ENFORCEMENT WORK GROUP NOW MEETING REGULARLY; FULLY ENGAGED
- LE WORKGROUP IDENTIFIED NUMEROUS HIGH-RISK INDIVIDUALS- HAVE CONDUCTED SEVEN CUSTOM NOTIFICATIONS,CONNECTED TO SERVICES (*ONGOING*)
- PARTNERING WITH CEDAR RAPIDS/LINN COUNTY GVI
- INTRODUCED JOCO CVI TO CCA AND SOLON SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION
- CREATED AND PLACED DOOR HANGERS IN NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE SHOOTINGS/SHOTS FIRED REPORTED



WHAT'S NEXT?

- ★ FOCUS ON SUSTAINING FUNDING (GRANTS & PARTNERSHIPS WITH NON-PROFITS AND PUBLIC/PRIVATE ENTITIES)
- ★ HIRE OUTREACH WORKER WITH LIVED EXPERIENCE
- ★ SOLIDIFY CREDIBLE MESSENGER & COMMUNITY PARTNER WORKGROUP
- ★ CONDUCT ADDITIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT & COMMUNITY MEMBERS



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Trip Connect–North Johnson County

January 22, 2024

Kelly Schneider, Mobility Coordinator

Allison Wells, Grants Manager

Planning and Coordination



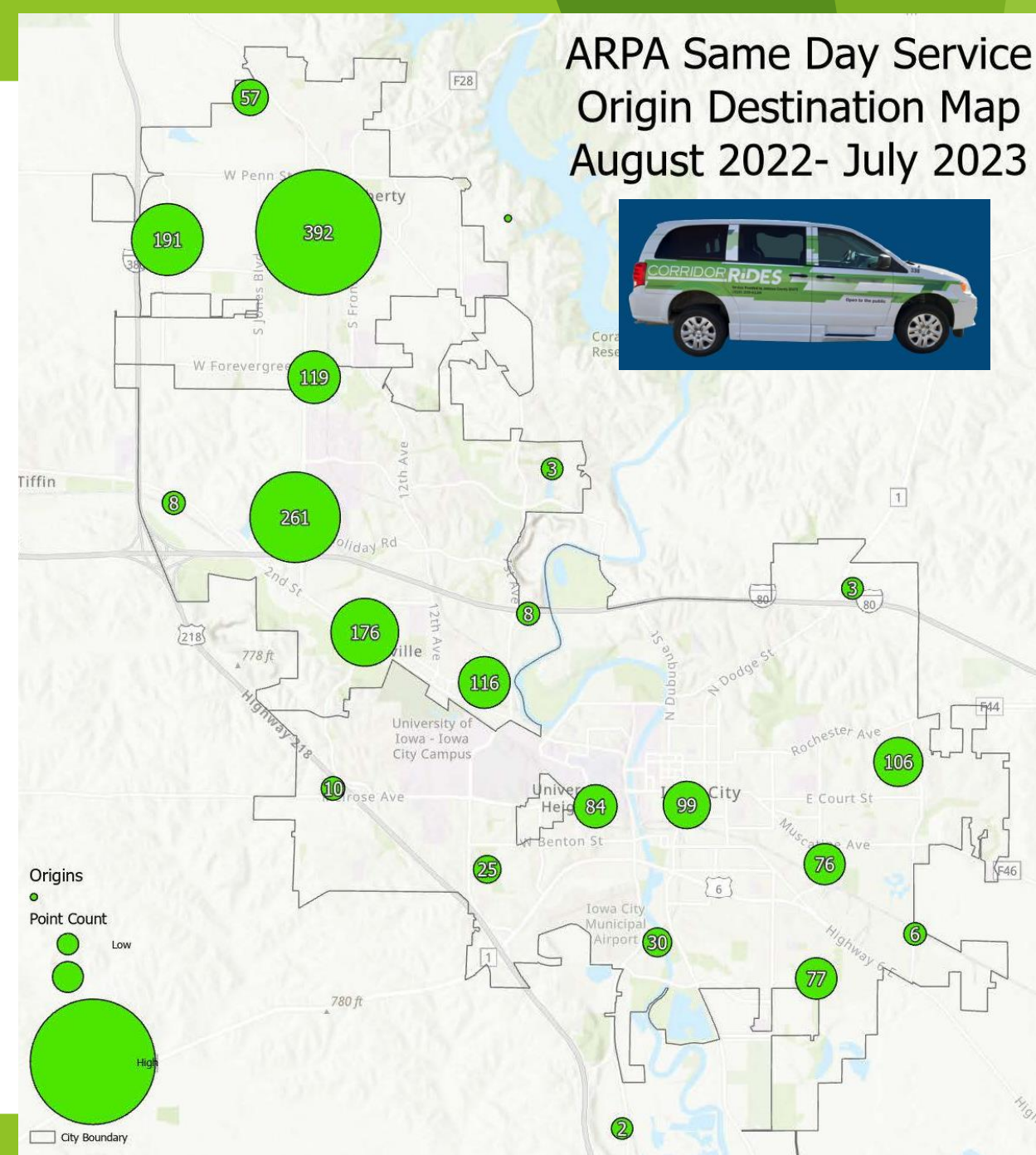
- ▶ NCMC Community Mobility Design Challenge and Learning Launch Grant 2021
- ▶ SEATS Same Day On-Demand Service launches August 2022
- ▶ Employment Transportation Summit August 15, 2023

ARPA Same Day Service Origin Destination Map August 2022- July 2023

Documentation of Need

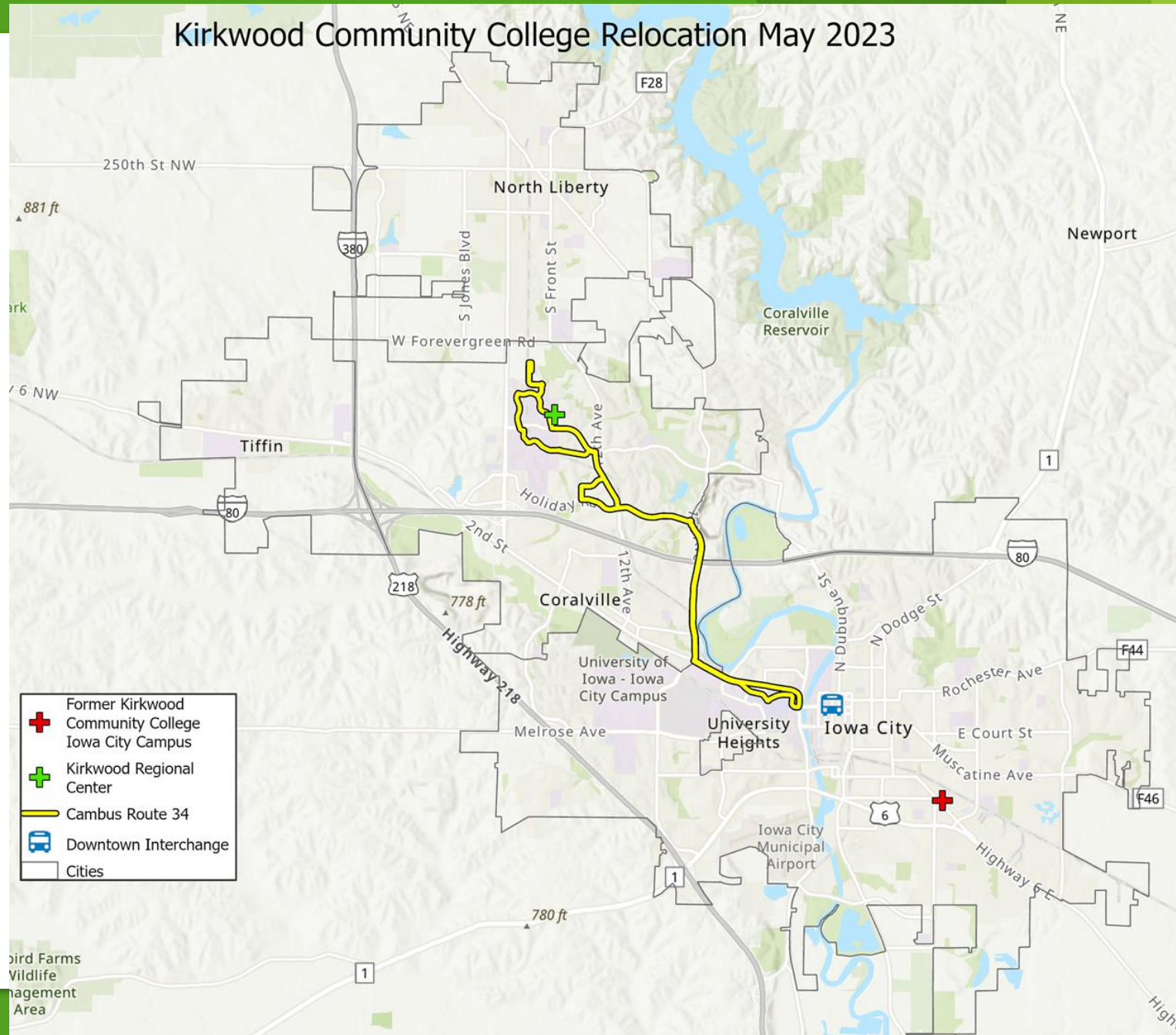
SEATS Same Day On Demand

- ▶ The County's ARPA funded On Demand Service reporting high volume of trips originating or terminating in North Liberty and Coralville.
- ▶ Map on the right demonstrates the amount of trips



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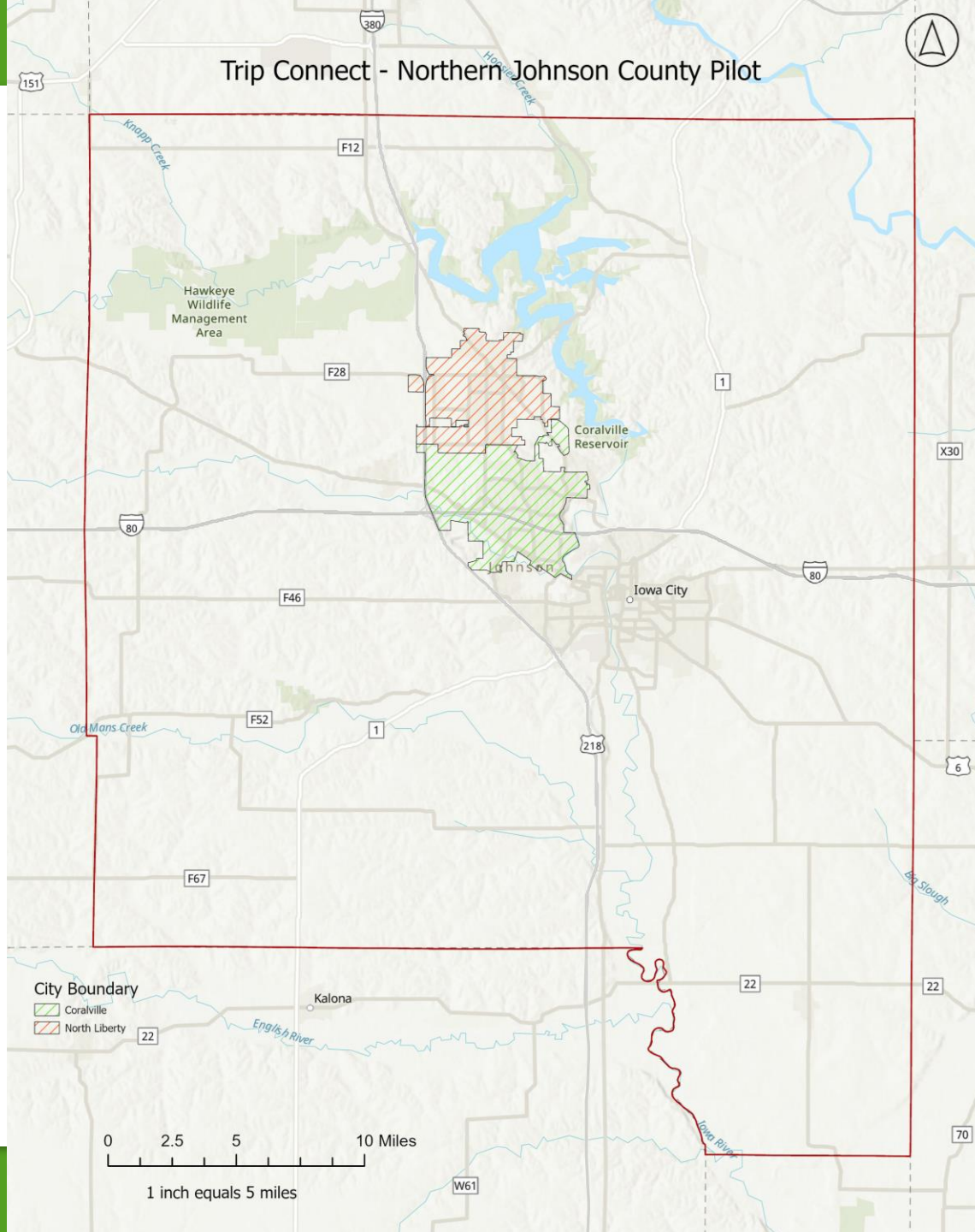
- ▶ 20 ESL or HiSET students received TP services from Kelly, avg length of trip to school is 65 minutes and requires multiple transfers and 3 different buses.



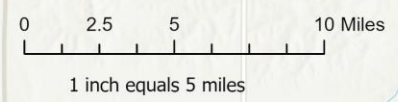
Trip Connect–North Johnson County Pilot Project

- ▶ How might we provide a menu of transportation options to serve employees and employers not served by currently available transportation network in Johnson County?
- ▶ Overseen by CorridorRides ECICOG, managed by Johnson County, and operated via contractor to provide demand response transportation.
- ▶ Supports economic development and inter-municipality/county connectivity and reduces barriers to accessing economic opportunities in the North region of the County.
- ▶ Service hours focused on getting 3rd shift workers to and from employment, as well as to get students to and from night classes.

Trip Connect - Northern Johnson County Pilot



City Boundary
Coralville
North Liberty



Proposed Service*

- ▶ RFP/RFQ bid for contracted operator in development
- ▶ Purposed project timeline August 1, 2024 - May 30, 2026
- ▶ Planned service hours
 - ▶ 10:00 pm - 11:30 pm Sunday
 - ▶ 7:00 am - 8:30 am Monday - Friday
 - ▶ 5:30 pm - 11:30 pm Monday - Friday
- ▶ Riders will pay \$2.00 fare for each one-way trip
 - ▶ Employers are encouraged to purchase fare vouchers to distribute to their staff

* To be scaled according to funding award

Sustainability

- ▶ Building partnerships with local employers to generate ongoing financial support. Iowa Workforce Development and Greater Iowa City, Inc. will assist with these efforts.
- ▶ Goal of this pilot is to better understand the need for demand response in service area and during expanded service times. This can inform decisionmakers as we work toward countywide transportation solutions.

Projected Cost*

Year 1 Cost = \$350,025

2,333 Contracted Demand Response Service Revenue Hours August 2024 - June 2025

Year 1 Funds

\$175,000	DOT Special Projects	50%
\$75,000	NCMM	21%
\$15,000	North Liberty	4%
\$10,000	Kirkwood	3%
\$14,556	Passenger Revenue	4%
\$60,469	Local Support	17%
\$350,025	Total Funds	

Year 2 Cost = \$350,025

2,333 Contracted Demand Response Service Revenue Hours July 2025 - May 2026

Year 2 Funds

\$175,000	DOT Special Projects	50%
\$14,556	Passenger Revenue	4%
\$160,469	Local Support	46%
\$350,025	Total Funds	

* Our projections drive from an average cost per hour to operate SEATS and an area nonprofit's demand response service. This amount is \$75 per hour. We plan to use 2 vehicles.