Enhancing the Quality of Life:
Transportation Partners join together with area community members to Build a Playground in Jackson, MS.

This October community members, non-profit organizations, businesses, colleges and transportation partners from across the metro Jackson area rolled up their sleeves to make a difference by participating in a Build A Playground event. Over a 12 hour period on Saturday, October 4, 2014, these individuals created a playful place for kids and families to stay healthy and active together. The community agreed that, "Play is important because it creates a safe, secure, fun, learning space for all, which helps to beautify and uplift the community." The work ensured that the Homestead community received these benefits. This event was sponsored by the Jackson Medical Mall Foundation, KABOOM and other local businesses. Transportation members from Bolivar County Council on Aging, MS Band of Choctaw Indians, City of Jackson– Human and Cultural Services and MDOT participated in the event.
Senior Fun & Informational Day
Sponsored by the Holmes County TRIAD/ Delta Rides Regional Group
North Central PDD-Area Agency on Aging
Lexington, MS

The Holmes County TRIAD along with the Delta Rides Regional Group and the North Central PDD’s Area Agency on Aging sponsored a Senior Fun & Informational Day at the Lexington Multi-Purpose Building in Lexington, MS. This interactive, informative meeting was designed to provide information to area seniors on Healthy Eating, Physical Fitness and Area Transportation Options. Presentations were made by Senator David Jordan (District 24), Rep. Bryant Clark (District 47), Mayor Clinton Cobbins, City of Lexington, and Primus Wheeler. This fun event was held on October 1, 2014.

Photos courtesy of Charles and Annie Brown, Holmes County TRIAD TRIAD, Janice Yancey, MDOT)
Local Students learn the Benefits of Community Transportation

The Jackson Medical Mall, MS Department of Transportation’s Public Transit Division in cooperation with the Transcon Regional Group offered Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students the opportunity to learn about the benefits of riding Community Transportation. Students at Galloway Elementary school were excited to learn how Community Transportation transports community members everyday to jobs, school, doctor and dentist appointments. Many students recognized the Big Green Bus that travels in front of their school everyday. Also, many were surprised to learn that the Community Transportation had over 500 buses all across the State that they could ride just like their yellow school bus.

(Artwork Courtesy of the students at Galloway Elementary School) (Pictures courtesy of Shantae Black and Mobility Manager Atesa Mckinney.)
## SAVE THE DATES

- **Training Activities**
- **Quarterly Conference Calls:**
- **MPTA Annual Conference**

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