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Subject: General Bus Pass for Paratransit

Aloha

This is a testimony submission for the hearing on the general bus pass at the county council meeting on Friday this week.

I have been a client of MEO since 2012. I've been enrolled in the Paratransit service for at least 2 years now.

I am on a fixed income, I have a social worker through a medical assistance program that procures a monthly general bus pass for me. It used to be sufficient to use for the MEO Paratransit service, since the policy has changed I have to spend \$4 per ride or day that I need to go to medical appointments, running errands & outings. It is not financially realistic for me to have many rides as it cuts into my tight monthly fixed budget.

PLEASE allow the general bus pass to be used on MEO Paratransit again. Please have low income provision attached to general bus pass for riding on MEO Paratransit.

Me ke aloha pumahana! Mālama pono.

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