

# **Customer Messaging for Transit Open Payments**

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### **VISION:**

The U.S. Payments Forum enables cross-industry stakeholders to openly exchange expertise and information to solve problems and help realize innovations that make payments more efficient, simple, and secure.



## Forum Activities



**Collaboration** 



**Communications** 



**Education** 



**Networking** 





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## **Introduction: Today's Speakers**



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## History of EMV and Milestones in Transit Payments

Lawrence Sutton, Consult Hyperion

## **History of EMV**

**Technology history** 

1996 – first version of EMV standards is published

2007 – first EMV contactless transaction with RBS Streamline (now Worldpay) terminal at McDonalds in Canary Wharf

2015 – US implementation of EMV prompts thousands of merchants to start using contactless payment terminals





## **Milestones in Transit Payments**

1995 – World's first transit Contactless Payment Card – UPass – is launched by the Seoul Bus Transport Association in South Korea

2009 – UTA (Salt Lake City) accepted Open Payments using MSD

2012 – TfL (London) starts accepting open loop EMV contactless payments

2017 - TriMet starts accepting open loop EMV contactless payments

2019 - MTA (NY) starts accepting open loop EMV contactless payments







## Open Loop Payments Background

Rory Wilson, Discover Global Network

## **Evolution of Transit Marketing**

#### London 2012-15

- EMV Chip to Dual Interface (Contactless) Chip
- Open Loop payments on Transport for London
- Changing habits and economics
- Global Adoption of Contactless Open Loop

#### **MTA NYC 2018-19**

- TFL lessons learned, Open Loop Launch
- Fast adoption and scale
- Covid accelerated awareness and preference







## **Payment Network Perspective**

## Contactless as a gateway to card loyalty

- Everyday spend categories are important for contactless adoption –
   high volume, low dollar transactions in merchant categories like:
  - Transit
  - Grocery
  - Pharmacy
  - Dining / QSR / Fast Food





## **Best practices for marketing and communications**

## 1. Breakthrough – visual engagement with riders & basic messages

- Placement
  - » Point of Sale
  - » Point of entry
- Card issuers promote to customers via digital channels
- Digital Channels
  - » Advertising
  - » Transit Agency Mobile App
  - » Email
  - » Digital Wallets / Payment Apps
  - » Map Apps (Apple Maps, Waze, etc.)
- Discounts / offers
  - » Forming Habits stack the benefits
- Audio streaming ads geotagged to service area
  - » Spotify / Apple Music / Etc.

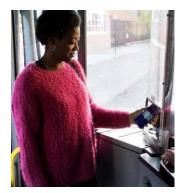




## **Best practices for marketing and communications**

## 2. Tailor to your market:

- Understand the unique aspects of each transit system's riders, media, and economics
- Look for key partners to help tell the story
  - » Payment networks
  - » Creating unique ad packages with local merchants offset the costs of promotion and awareness -
- Interrupting the customer with new messaging at point of sale is critical to changing behaviors
- Breakthrough and placement are key points to consider for out of home ads
- Reinforcing the message train / bus ad placements builds familiarity and acceptance









## Open Loop Payments in Public Transportation

Sophia Maletz and Dave Whipple, TriMet

## TriMet + Hop Fastpass®

#### TriMet

- Light rail, commuter rail, bus, bus rapid transit, streetcar, paratransit
- 150,000 weekday boardings

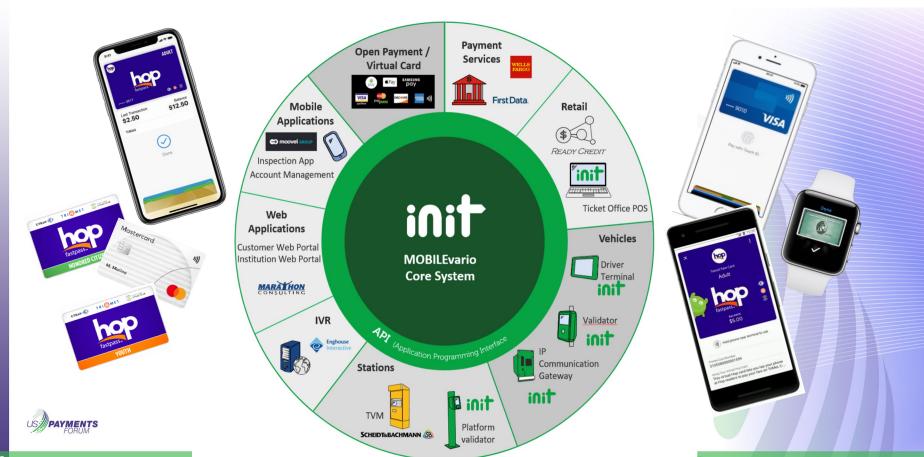
## Hop Fastpass®

- TriMet + C-TRAN + Portland Streetcar
- \$55 Million in annual revenue

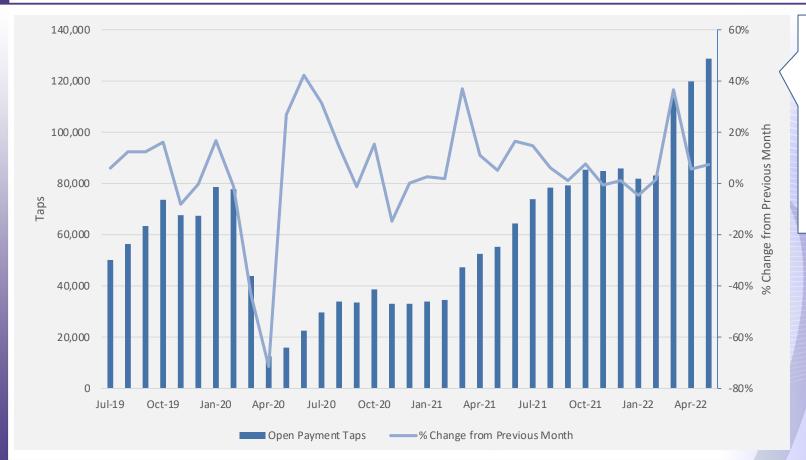




## **TriMet's Hop Fastpass® Transit Payments + Open Architecture**



## Hop Fastpass® Open Payment Taps + % Change Month-to-Month



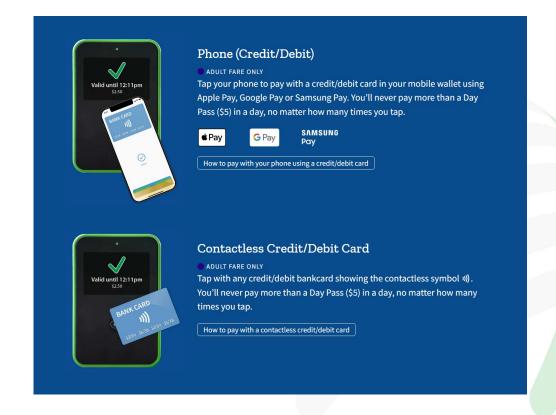
Open
Payment
taps are up
172% since
July '19
and 927%
since April
'20





















| Tap to board         | Just Lap your card on the Hop reader as you bound to instantly pay the \$2.50.Adult fare. The screen will show a confirmation that you paid your fire and you will hear an audible chime. You're good to go!   |
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| Good for<br>2% hours | Your fare is salid for 2% hours, during which time you can board any combination of buses, MAX trains or Portland Streetcar to complete your trip.   |
| Day Pass             | You'll automatically earn a Day Pass after paying for two trips in a-day (SS) with the<br>same cast, which means you can ride as much as you want until the end of the service<br>day (1 a.m.).  |
| Tap every time       | Remember to say the Ring reader every time you board a loos or toals discluding when<br>you transfel, the work reconsistly be charged every time you too, but your tap is your<br>proof of purment. You'll never pay more than \$5 is a day, no maken how many times<br>you say. |











Tap to board

Just tap your card on the Hop reader as you board to instantly pay the \$2.50 Adult fare. The screen will show a confirmation that you paid your fare and you will hear an audible chime. You're good to go!

Good for 2½ hours Your fare is valid for  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours, during which time you can board any combination of buses, MAX trains or Portland Streetcar to complete your trip.

Day Pass

You'll automatically earn a Day Pass after paying for two trips in a day (\$5) with the same card, which means you can ride as much as you want until the end of the service day (3 a.m.).

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Remember to tap the Hop reader every time you board a bus or train (including when you transfer). You won't necessarily be charged every time you tap, but your tap is your proof of payment. You'll never pay more than \$5 in a day, no matter how many times you tan.







- Many "ways to pay"
- Convenience and speed
- For both regular and occasional riders



## Q&A



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## **Customer Messaging for Open Payments – Concluding Remarks**



## **Transit Contactless Open Payments Working Committee**

The Transit Contactless Open Payments Working Committee was formed in March 2017 as part of the expanded U.S. Payments Forum charter. The Working Committee goal is for interested stakeholders to work collaboratively to identify possible solutions that address the challenges associated with the implementation of contactless acceptance devices at customer points of entry (POE) within the unique retail environment of the U.S. public transit market. This includes acceptance of all open loop payment devices (e.g., cards, mobile, wearables) and all payment methods (e.g., credit, debit, prepaid, gift).





## **2023 Forum Meeting Schedule**



Payments Summit
Forum Spring Member
Meeting
February 27th – March 2nd, 2023

Salt Lake City, UT



Forum
Summer Member Meeting
July 18th-19th, 2023
Virtual



Forum
Fall Member Meeting
November 6<sup>th</sup> - 7th, 2023
Charlotte, NC



## Thank You!



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