

## Leadership by Example, Individual

**Name of Individual:** Gary Segers, Public Participation Committee

**Description:** My nomination for Leadership by Example, Individual is Gary Segers. Gary is an active and participating member of the COMPASS Public Participation Committee. As such, he has provided great insight and suggestions for improving COMPASS processes and activities.

Gary has also volunteered to help COMPASS in many different projects. For the COMPASS Community Preference Survey, Gary volunteered as a moderator for several focus groups, in which we were able to get a better sense of the future growth patterns and transportation demands of the citizenry. Several people mentioned his great talent for creating a comfortable environment in which people felt comfortable in discussing potentially controversial issues. This information is a key determinant of land use & travel demand modeling and would have been lacking without Gary's willingness to volunteer his time for this effort.

He has also participated as a focus group moderator of the Communities in Motion update in determining levels of support for various funding strategies and transportation needs. This information will be essential for planning a multi-modal transportation network that will effectively serve the valley and Gary has provided a valuable resource that we would otherwise be lacking.

Every time we have asked, Gary has stepped up and provided his time, talents, and energies. Thank you!