

<b>UTC Project Information</b>	
Project Title	Safety Perceptions of Transportation Network Companies by the Blind and Visually Impaired
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Brief Description of Research Project	This project will utilize quantitative and qualitative research methods to help identify if and how blind and visually impaired individuals utilize transportation network companies to travel safely.
Describe Implementation of Research Outcomes (or why not implemented)	The project will include a number of deliverables spanning the project life cycle, the most significant of which will be a final report and dataset.
Place Any Photos Here	<p>Implementation of the EWD plan will include generation of (1) a research packet, and (2) a project presentation that will be hosted at TTI in a “brown bag” setting. The EWD also includes contracting with BVI individuals to assist with project-related activities and hiring a graduate student to assist with research activities.</p> <p>Implementation of the T2 plan will include generation of (1) a research article that will be submitted to a peer reviewed journal and (2) a podcast that will summarize the research findings for audiences that are interested in the results, but not apt to read a traditional research report. The T2 plan will also involve hosting a research summit with participants from the research panel, TNC representatives, BVI experts, technology experts, and BVI rehabilitators.</p>
Impacts/Benefits of Implementation (actual, not anticipated)	The research team anticipates that the findings will help inform the general body of research concerning travel safety of the BVI population. Furthermore, the research will be of significant interest to both TNCs and TNC researchers, as these services have only

	recently come into being(within the last 10 years), yet have impacted travel behavior landscape quite dramatically.
Web Links <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reports</li><li>• Project website</li></ul>	<a href="http://www.vtti.vt.edu/utc/safe-d/index.php/safety-perceptions-of-transportation-network-companies-tncs-by-the-blind-and-visually-impaired-bvi/">http://www.vtti.vt.edu/utc/safe-d/index.php/safety-perceptions-of-transportation-network-companies-tncs-by-the-blind-and-visually-impaired-bvi/</a>