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## The Texas Transit Association would like to welcome our new Board Members

The Texas Transit Association is pleased to announce that Managing Director Ellen Smyth from Sun Metro in El Paso and General Manager Scott Lewis from Longview Transit have been appointed to the Texas Transit Association Board of Directors.



Scott Lewis, General Mgr.  
Longview Transit,

One of the Texas Transit Association's key roles is to educate Texans about issues affecting the public transit industry. Additionally, TTA actively supports public transportation in the State of Texas and works with legislative members to pursue additional resources to support public transit.

In their newly appointed positions, Mrs. Smyth and Mr. Lewis will utilize their expertise to work closely with fellow TTA Board Members to support the Texas Transit Association's goals and objectives.



Ellen Smyth, Managing Dir.  
Sun Metro, El Paso, TX

Also, we would like to recognize the following individuals that were re-elected to the TTA Board of Directors: Jorge Cruz-Aedo (Board President), Randy Clarke, Mario Delgado, Tom Logan, Serena Stevenson, Vicente Huerta (President-elect) and Jesse Arriaga. Congratulations to each of you.

## TTA Legislative Day and State Conference, Rodeo and Expo Canceled

Unfortunately, with COVID-19 cases still surging across the state and travel budgets being reduced or eliminated, our board of directors was forced to make the difficult decision to cancel the upcoming Legislative Day at the Capitol and the 2021 State Conference, Rodeo, and Expo.

Like everyone, we are looking forward to life returning to normal this new year and hope you will understand this decision. We appreciate your patience and welcome your feedback as we work on planning future events. Our Legislative and Education/Events Committees will be working on alternative options. So please feel free to share any concerns, questions, or ideas with me by email. If you are interested in serving on any of the TTA committees, you can email me at [allen@txtransit.org](mailto:allen@txtransit.org). Thank you, and we are optimistically looking forward to a new and exciting year.

## Norma Zamora assumes an expanded leadership role to serve as Area Vice President within First Transit Management.



Norma Zamora, TTA Board Member and Director of Transit for the City of Brownsville/ Brownsville Metro, a First Transit Managed system, assumes an expanded leadership role to serve as Area Vice President within First Transit Management. With more than 27 years of transit leadership, Norma's experience includes financial oversight, strategic planning, labor negotiations, and initiating partnerships with city and state leaders.

This promotion speaks to Norma's dedication to her customers and colleagues. After 22 years as Director of Brownsville Metro, she is looking forward to this new chapter in her life. She states that she is grateful and humbled to have been offered this exciting opportunity through First Transit to serve as Area Vice President over six properties in the United States' central region. She will continue to provide transit leadership guidance to the City of Brownsville/Brownsville Metro as AVP, in addition, to Laredo and Abilene in Texas; and Duluth, MN, Racine, WI, and St. Joseph, MO.

Norma has served as a Board Member in the Texas Transit Association since 2004. During her time with TTA, she held many positions from President, Vice President for Small Urban, Treasurer, and Chair of the Finance Committee. The Texas Transit Association is grateful to Norma for her leadership and support of public transportation throughout the state. We wish her the best of luck as she begins this new chapter in her life.

If you would like to congratulate Norma, she can be reached at [norma.zamora@firstgroup.com](mailto:norma.zamora@firstgroup.com)



Jess Segovia, your ADA Guru, is offering the following courses in February to assist transit professionals of all levels and responsibilities in understanding how to provide high quality, compliant accessible public transit services.

February 1 & 3, 2021:	ADA Requirements for Bus & Demand Responsive Services Webinar
February 11, 2021:	Bus Stop Accessibility Requirements Webinar
February 2 & 4, 2021:	Advanced Wheelchair Securement Strategies Webinar
February 16 & 18, 2021:	ADA Paratransit Eligibility Determination Webinar
February 9, 2021:	Creating Effective Operating Policies, Procedures & Documentation Strategies
February 27, 2021 :	Enhancing Your Community's Mobility Management Webinar

**[For more information, pricing and registration](#)**

[Jess Segovia](#)—ADA Guru

Jess has spent his career assisting agencies throughout the country in the delivery of safe, high quality and compliant accessible transportation services.

# TTA's LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

By Wade Long



The Texas Legislature returned to Austin last week to begin the 87<sup>th</sup> legislative session. The pandemic reduced the number of people in the House and Senate Chambers and also reduced the number of people in the Capitol. Mandatory COVID-19 testing was required for members of the public wishing to attend the opening day events.

The Texas State House of Representatives elected Representative Dade Phelan (R-Beaumont) as speaker of the House on a vote of 143-2.

The State Senate elected Senator Brian Birdwell (R-Granbury) as president pro tempore of the Texas Senate.

Both the House and Senate adopted COVID-19 protocols. The Senate will require all visitors to pass a COVID test before entering the gallery or senate committee. The House recommends testing but does not require a test. A COVID-19 testing tent has been constructed on the north side of the Capitol. Visitors will be issued a wrist band after testing negative. Both chambers require masks to be worn in the chamber and in committee rooms.

The Senate adopted rules for the 87<sup>th</sup> session. The major change is the vote requirement for bringing bills to the Senate floor. Past sessions required a three-fifths majority to bring legislation to the floor. The new rule requires a vote of 18 members. The voting change was passed on a party line vote of 18-13.

The House also adopted rules for the 87<sup>th</sup> session. Major changes include allowing members to cast votes from a portable device if they are near the chamber. The House also deleted a provision allowing for increased use of virtual testimony during committee hearings.

The Lt. Governor released his Senate Committee appointments. The appointments can be found here [2021-Senate-Committees.pdf \(texas.gov\)](#)

State Comptroller Glenn Hegar released the revenue estimate for the 2022-2023 biennium [Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar Releases Biennial Revenue Estimate](#). Tax collections have been falling short due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Comptroller reports that lawmakers will have a nearly \$1 billion deficit. The original estimate was a \$4.5 billion shortfall in state revenue.

## **Governor Greg Abbott released his priorities for the session.**

- Expand tele-medicine
- Protect pre-existing conditions
- Public safety
- 2<sup>nd</sup> amendment sanctuary state
- Protect against cancelation of conservative speech
- Protect religious rights
- Fight overreach of Biden Administration

## **LEGISLATIVE DATES OF INTEREST**

**Monday, November 9, 2020** First day legislators and legislators-elect may file bills for the 87th Legislature. Regular Session

**Tuesday, January 12, 2021** (1st day) 87th Legislature convenes

**Friday, March 12, 2021** Deadline for the unrestricted filing of bills and joint resolutions other than local bills, emergency appropriations, and emergency matters submitted by the governor.

**Monday, May 31, 2021** (140th day) Last day of 87th Regular Session (sine die)



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## Items of Interest from TxDOT's Public Transportation Division (TxDOT-PTN)

### **Texas Transportation Commission to consider \$60 million in additional federal CARES Act funding awards on January 28**

In May 2020, the Texas Transportation Commission approved over \$74 million in CARES Act funding awards to support rural transit, including rural intercity bus connections. In September, the Commission awarded additional funds for intercity bus connections. At its January 28, 2021 meeting, the Commission will consider an additional \$60 million in funding awards supporting rural transit in Texas.

Watch the meeting via a live video link that will be posted on [TxDOT.gov](https://www.txdot.gov). The agenda will be posted [here](#) a week before the meeting.

### **Please Join TxDOT's effort to End the Streak.**

Texas has exceeded 20 years of daily deaths on Texas roadways.

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### **TxDOT Semiannual Transit Operators Business Meeting** to be conducted Virtually on Wednesday, January 27.

Meeting link will be transmitted via TxDOT email.

### **Public Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting** to be Conducted Virtually on Friday, January 29 at 1pm.

[Click here](#) to join (no password needed)

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## **Funding to Help Develop Contactless Payment System**

Sun Metro is the recipient of a \$225,000 grant from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) as part of its Public Transportation COVID-19 Research Program.

The federal program will support Sun Metro in developing and deploying innovative solutions to improve operational efficiencies that enhance the transit experience.

"We are extremely grateful to the FTA for this award. The funding is critical during the COVID-19 pandemic in supporting our innovative efforts to keep our passengers safe. The grant will allow us to develop and integrate a contactless payment system for tickets and passes," said Sun Metro Managing Director Ellen Smyth.

FTA's Public Transportation COVID-19 Research Demonstration Grant Program is part of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 public health emergency funding to aid transit agencies that were significantly impacted during the pandemic.

For more information about Sun Metro, visit [sunmetro.net](http://sunmetro.net) or call (915) 212-3333. Like us on Facebook at [facebook.com/sunmetro](https://facebook.com/sunmetro) or follow us on Twitter @SunMetro.

***John Hendrickson of HTG presented Resilience Project Ideas regarding Cares Act Funding to all Rural Transit Districts on 1/14/21.***

The following are a list of ideas that were presented:

1. PPE and Related Equipment
2. Improvements to Vehicle and Facility HVAC Systems
3. Improvements to Vehicle Interior Treatments
4. Improvements for Operator Barriers
5. Contactless Fare Collection Systems
6. Fleet Replacements
7. Disinfecting Equipment
8. Facility Barrier upgrades



## DART D2 Subway Project Named Global Light Rail Award "Vision of the Year"

At this year's Global Light Rail Awards, recognizing excellence and innovation in the global light and urban rail sector, Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) was named the winner of the "Vision of the Year" for the D2 Subway project.

The DART D2 Subway project is a future second light rail line through downtown Dallas that extends from Victory Park to Deep Ellum. The D2 project reached the 30% level of preliminary design in October. A Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) is being prepared in cooperation with Federal Transit Administration (FTA). The FTA plans to issue a combined FEIS and Record of Decision (ROD) to environmentally clear the project so it can advance into the next stage of development. Once the FEIS/ROD is issued and FTA approves the project into the Engineering phase, DART will advance the project through detailed design and construction. Public, agency and stakeholder involvement will continue to be integral to the process.


The D2 Subway project will sustain the North Texas transit into the future with added capacity, flexibility, reliability and economic development opportunities ensuring the continued growth and competitiveness of the region. Learn more at [DART.org/D2](https://www.dart.org/D2).






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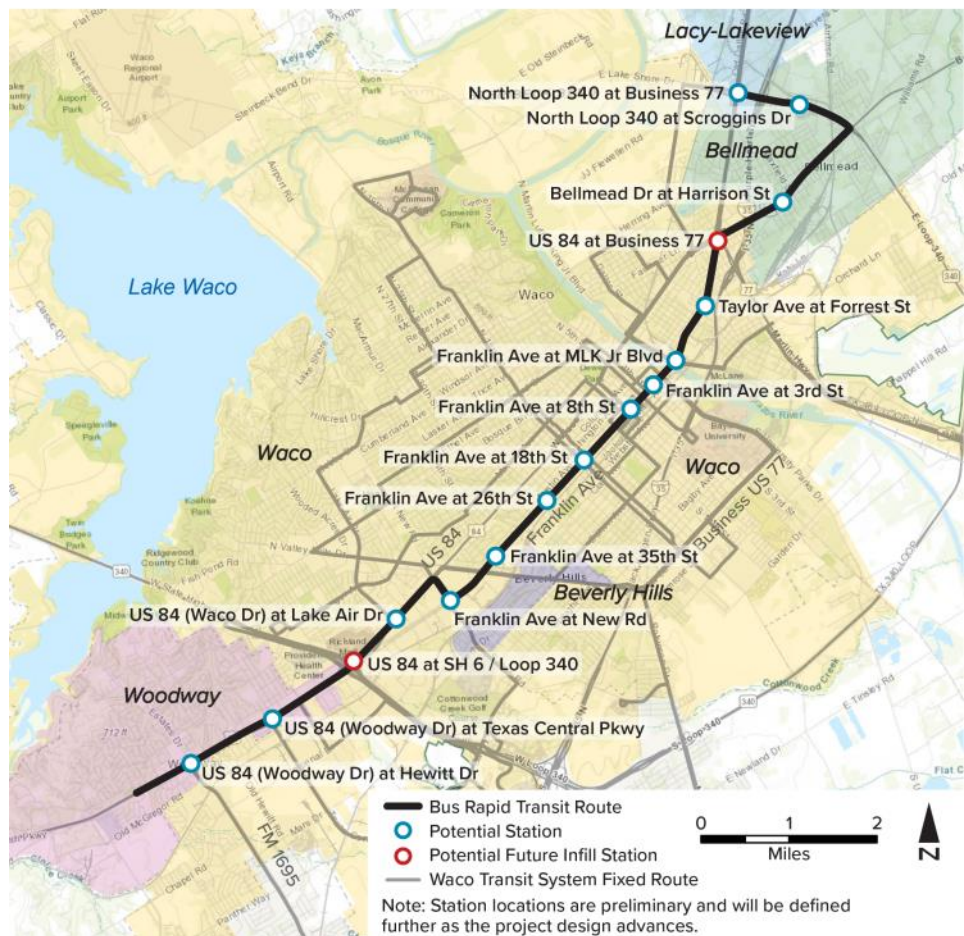
# Waco Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Project

Waco Transit System (WTS) is developing a 13-mile BRT route that would offer safe, reliable and efficient transit service by providing buses every 15-minutes during peak service hours, extending service hours to 10 p.m., and providing service on Sundays.

In 2018 WTS and the Waco Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) finalized the Waco BRT Feasibility Study. The result of this community-driven effort was the identification of the BRT corridor with the greatest potential to support transit investment improvements, designated as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA). The BRT route is oriented in a north-east-southwest direction and if implemented would serve industrial and commercial employment centers, the Central Business District, as well as important retail centers for residents and visitors. It

would also connect Waco with the adjacent cities of Woodway, Beverly Hills, Bellmead and Lacy-Lakeview. The proposed BRT route would also provide better and more efficient transfers to other routes operated by Waco Transit System.

The project is now at the next phase in the development process which involves preliminary engineering and environmental review. The purpose for advancing this project with the goal of implementing BRT service in Waco is to offer residents enhanced mobility and to provide improved access to jobs, medical and social services, and educational facilities. Ultimately, the project would connect the community through a safe and rapid transit ride.



<https://www.waco-texas.com//transit/brt.asp#gsc.tab=0>



## **CAB Driver SECURITY BARRIER**



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### **Style Buses currently in Production**

- New Flyer D40 Low Floor
- New Flyer DE40LF Electric
- New Flyer DE60LF Electric
- Proterra Roadrunner 40' Electric
  - Gillig G27D102N4
  - Gillig Phantom 40
  - Gillig LF 2020 40
  - Nova LFS 40
  - Nova LFS 60
- MCI D4500 Early Model
- MCI D4500 Late Model
  - Thomas 40
  - El Dorado 40
- El Dorado cutaway
  - Van Hool
  - Nabi 40
  - Nabi 60
- Champion Cutaway



## VIA Providing Fare-Free Connections to COVID-19 Vaccination Sites

Passengers with confirmed appointments may ride to City/County vaccine clinics

VIA Metropolitan Transit will offer complimentary transportation for any person traveling to or from an appointment at a City/County-sponsored COVID-19 vaccination site—including the Alamodome, Wonderland of the Americas mall and others — beginning Monday, January 11, and until further notice.

This includes regular bus service, VIA Link, and VIAtrans paratransit service. VIA bus and VIA Link passengers may present their appointment registration in print or on their mobile device, and/or their COVID-19 shot record to ride fare-free on the day of their appointment. Registered VIAtrans customers must schedule their trip in accordance with VIAtrans policies and procedures by phone or online.

“VIA offers this fare-assistance program as part of our mission to ‘connect our community’ and ensure people can reach critical destinations and services, using safe, reliable public transportation options,” VIA President/CEO Jeffrey C. Arndt said. “We support local efforts to expand access to the COVID vaccine and will keep doing our part to help protect the health and safety of our community.”

VIA continues to provide safe, reliable essential trip options for persons who must travel during the ongoing COVID crisis. Health and safety precautions designed to slow the spread of germs will remain in place for all VIA riders and employees, including masks over the nose and mouth at all times, safe capacity limits on vehicles to allow for social distancing, enhanced cleaning and sanitizing of vehicles and facilities, frequent hand washing and other good hygiene practices.

Customers are asked to only make essential trips during this time and avoid public spaces, including public transit, if they are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or have recently been exposed to someone who has tested positive for the virus.

If you plan to ride VIA to your confirmed COVID-19 vaccine appointment, here's what you need to know:

Who can ride fare-free?

Any VIA bus, van or VIA Link passenger traveling in the VIA service area to a confirmed COVID-19 vaccine appointment at a designated City of San Antonio or Bexar County vaccination site. Please present your appointment confirmation in print or on your mobile device to the operator when boarding. You may also present the vaccine record provided when you receive your shot for the return trip. Registered VIAtrans customers must schedule their trip in accordance with VIAtrans policies and procedures by phone or online. Please mention you are traveling to a scheduled COVID-19 vaccine appointment when making the reservation.

When is the free fare available?

On the day of your appointment.

How do I know which route serves my vaccination site?

Enter the address into VIA's Online Trip Planner or on the VIA goMobile app to find the most convenient route, or call Customer Information at (210) 362-2020.

Where can I find more information?

Visit [VIAinfo.net](http://VIAinfo.net) or call Customer Information at (210) 362-2020 for assistance.



## Gulf Coast Transit District Hires Leadership Staff

TEXAS CITY, TX, December 8, 2020 – The recently formed Gulf Coast Transit District (GCTD) announced the appointment of two key executive staff members at its December 8th Board meeting. Sean Middleton, currently employed by The Goodman Corporation, and Nathan Nevelow, currently employed by the City of Galveston, will serve in the positions of Executive Director and Administrative/Finance, respectively, for the new District. The GCTD represents the Connect Transit system which is transitioning from the Gulf Coast Center, a Community Center which provides service and support for people with mental health, substance abuse, and intellectual and developmental disabilities in Galveston and Brazoria Counties. The new GCTD is expected to be fully operational in April of 2021.



Sean Middleton, Executive Director  
Gulf Coast Transit District



GCTD Board Chairman Stephen Holmes, who represents Galveston County as Commissioner of Precinct 3, stated that securing both Middleton for Executive Director and Nevelow for the Administrative/Finance position represents the first steps in developing an

executive staff to oversee the Connect Transit workforce and operations. The new agency will take over an approximate \$5 million annual operating budget and \$12 million in recently completed and ongoing capital improvements.

The agency is completing certification requirements with regional, state and federal agencies as well as establishing the financial, management and personnel systems necessary to support ongoing operations. The agency will operate fixed route, ADA paratransit, demand response, and commuter services in Brazoria and Galveston counties.

For further information, contact Joanne Ma at [jma@thegoodmancorp.com](mailto:jma@thegoodmancorp.com).

<https://www.gulfcoasttransitdistrict.com/>



# The Texas Transit Association welcomes Queen City Engineering as a new Associate Member

Queen City Engineering & Design, located in Concord, NC, is a North Carolina registered Professional Engineering firm founded in 2015 to bring value to their customers with exceptional Mechanical Engineering & Manufacturing Services.

Rex Carriker P.E., Founder and President of Queen City Engineering, is a graduate of North Carolina State University, and has worked exclusively in Research and Development throughout his career. He created Queen City Engineering & Design to provide Turn-Key Engineering Solutions to the complex problems faced by his customers. Their in-house team of engineers and technicians is highly skilled in designing and developing purpose-built, custom-engineered products and solutions. They realize that their customers want real-world solutions to real-world problems. For this reason, in 2018, they relocated to a new 7,000 sq ft manufacturing facility in Concord, NC., with machining, sheet metal, welding, and finishing capabilities. This addition allows them to provide Turn-Key Solutions by fully controlling the entire development process resulting in greater flexibility and shorter lead times.



Queen City Engineering's specialty lies in Turn-Key design, development, and manufacturing of fabricated and machined, end-user, components and products. They have built their business by earning customers' trust through creating realistic, cost-effective solutions to the most challenging problems. Queen City Engineering has completed projects ranging from commercial silicone tape dispensers that retail for \$75 to purpose-built, carbon fiber processing machinery for the aviation industry with budgets well into the millions. Their customers include GE Aviation, 3M, Speedball Art Products, Briggs & Stratton, Tesla, and many more. This level of experience has allowed Queen City Engineering to provide the same great level of service and support for their latest venture: Designing, Manufacturing, and Installing Mass Transit Driver Barriers.

Queen City Engineering & Design started their Transportation Driver Shielding Solutions in April 2020. It was then that they were called upon by Mecklenburg County DSS to develop a shield project for them. They helped them design, fabricate, manufacture, and install shields for all of their LTV cutaway vehicles. They were able to complete their entire project within three weeks of the initial phone call. Since then, they have entered the world of Public Transportation, designing new products for the transportation industry and supplying shields across the country. To date, they have provided over 2000 shields/barriers for over 1500 vehicles in just 35 transportation fleets across the Southeast. Queen City Engineering has been able to accomplish this with only word of mouth marketing. Queen City Engineering is also very close to having their driver shields for School Buses across the Country.

Queen City Engineering has a long history in product development. Their Professional Engineer and staff will work with you to design, fabricate, manufacture, assemble, quality control, package, and ship all products from their shop in North Carolina. This process eliminates any unnecessary markups or flaws in the production. Queen City Engineering has provided regular follow up calls and documentation for every shield they have produced since they started. This process has helped them to understand and address their customer needs.

To contact Queen City Engineering or learn more about their product, call 704-918-5851 or email [Sales@queencityeng.com](mailto:Sales@queencityeng.com)

## DART Celebrates Silver Line Construction with First Concrete Pour Ceremony

Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) and Archer Western Herzog (AWH) commemorated construction of the future Silver Line Regional Rail project with a First Concrete Ceremony on Wednesday, December 16. The event took place near the intersection of Preston Road and the Keller Springs Road, a mile northeast of the future Knoll Trail Station in Dallas.

The ceremony included a long-held tradition by the Walsh Group, parent company of AWH, of placing Miraculous Medals in a project's first concrete pour. A Walsh Group institution for more than six decades, the Miraculous Medal is an oval-shaped depiction of Mary according to Saint Catherine Laboure's vision. The gesture of placing Miraculous Medals symbolizes an inspiration to successfully complete the job safely and to make it as miraculous as the Medal itself.



The Silver Line Regional Rail Project's primary purpose is to provide passenger rail connections and service that will improve mobility, accessibility and system linkages to major employment, population and activity centers in the northern part of the DART Service Area.

With revenue service scheduled for early 2023, the 26-mile Silver Line Regional Rail Project traverses seven cities between DFW Airport, Grapevine, Coppell, Dallas, Carrollton, Addison, Richardson and Plano, and includes 10 new stations. When completed, the \$1.2 billion Silver Line will connect with the Trinity Metro TEXRail commuter rail line at DFW North station providing access to Downtown Fort Worth and various other Tarrant County locales. The line will also connect

with the Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) A-train commuter rail line providing access to various Denton County locations and DART's Green Line providing access to Dallas Love Field and Downtown Dallas via Downtown Carrollton Station.





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## VIA Announces Participation in Nationwide Public Transportation Industry “Health and Safety Commitments” Program

SAN ANTONIO (Dec. 2, 2020) – VIA Metropolitan Transit announced that it has joined the American Public Transportation Association’s (APTA) “Health and Safety Commitments Program,” the public transportation industry’s overarching pledge to passengers that public transit systems are taking all the necessary measures to operate safely as the nation recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.



The health and safety of passengers and operators is the most important priority for VIA. Since the beginning of the pandemic, VIA personnel have worked tirelessly to keep riders safe from infection from the coronavirus, implementing a “safe capacity” maximum-passenger load of 16 riders at a time in early April and requiring face coverings on all agency buses, vans, and property.

“We realize that public transit is a necessity for many in our community every day and perhaps especially during a crisis, including those who may rely on transit as their only means of travel to critical service centers, meal distribution sites, or other necessary trips,” VIA President/CEO Jeffrey C. Arndt said. “By joining APTA’s Health and Safety Commitments Program we are assuring the public that we will safely meet the essential mobility needs of our community and continue to play an important role as our city and economy go into recovery.”

By signing on to the APTA Health and Safety Commitments Program with more than 100 public transit systems, VIA and the public transit industry are actively working to instill confidence in riders that it’s committed to protecting their health and safety when they are ready to resume riding VIA for all their travel needs.

The Program was developed after asking transit users from across the country what measures would make them feel more confident riding public transportation amid concerns about COVID-19. From this research, the industry identified four key areas that transit systems need to address to earn riders’ confidence:

Following public health guidelines from official sources;

Cleaning and disinfecting transit vehicles frequently and requiring face coverings and other protections;

Keeping passengers informed and empowered to choose the safest times and routes to ride; and

Putting health first by requiring riders and employees to avoid public transit if they have been exposed to COVID-19 or feel ill.

VIA has pledged to meet these commitments by implementing measures that are effective for our system, our riders, and our community. VIA is closely monitoring ridership and making alterations to maintain safe, reliable service, including adding frequency to routes that continue to see high ridership, adjusting routes with low ridership, and modifying others based on changing road conditions.

Customers are being welcomed back to VIA for all their travel needs. All passengers must continue to maintain social distancing aboard the bus whenever possible and non-exempt riders are required to wear a face covering while on a VIA vehicle or at a VIA facility.

“The program being launched today is the public transportation industry’s pledge to promote sensible policies and practices designed to keep transit users and transit employees safe during the COVID-19 crisis,” said APTA President and CEO Paul P. Skoutelas. “It is a logical extension of the innovation and commitment we have been demonstrating for the past several months – and it makes the need for at least \$32 billion in additional emergency funding that much more urgent and critical.”

A key component of the Health and Safety Commitments Program is the shared responsibility of our system and our riders to follow the guidelines. Riders rely on us to follow these commitments, and VIA relies on riders to protect themselves and other customers. For more information on how VIA is participating in the program, please visit Safe Riding - VIA Metropolitan Transit ([viainfo.net](http://viainfo.net)).



## GOBUS TRANSIT NEWS - DECEMBER 2020

2020 was a challenging year for the World as we faced the pandemic, COVID-19. In March when businesses began to close and people were staying home, GoBus staff quickly sprang into action. Staff took charge and began ordering personal protective equipment including, gloves, masks, disinfectants and barriers for the fleet. The entire call center was up and running from staff homes within forty eight hours. Despite the pandemic, GoBus was able to increase ridership over previous years by rearranging routes and implementing new scheduling software that created a more effective process. GoBus also receive new fleet through TxDOT's Tiger Grant which staff took the opportunity to customize to better fit the needs of the region. The new fleet is smaller, more efficient, saves money on gas and maintenance and is more maneuverable in the remote, rural areas we serve. GoBus looks forward to 2021 and any challenges the new year brings!



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