

# **Guaranteed Ride Home Customer Satisfaction Survey**

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# Survey - Online

#### Commuter Connections GRH Satisfaction Survey We'd like to know how you feel about our program. Please take a moment to complete this survey. Your response is greatly appreciated. How would you rate the service you received from our **GRH trip reservation staff?** O Poor O Fair O Good O Excellent How would you rate the taxi or rental car service? O Poor O Fair O Good O Excellent How would you rate our response time? O Poor O Fair O Good O Excellent Overall how would you rate our GRH service? O Poor O Fair O Good Excellent Approximately how many minutes did you wait until receiving your ride?

What was the reason for your GRH trip?	
Sick Child	
O Personal Illness	
O Unscheduled Overtime	
Other Emergency	
Please Provide us with any comments about your GRH	
experience.	
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Do you consider your comments to be a: (check all that	
apply)  Compliment	
Compliment	
Suggestion	
- Suggestion	
Complaint	
General Comment	
Do your comments refer to: (check all that apply)	
☐ Taxi or Rental Car Service	
☐ Overall Service ☐ Reservation Staff	
Response Time	
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Submit	

#### Survey Card

#### Thank you for using Guaranteed Ride Home (GRH).

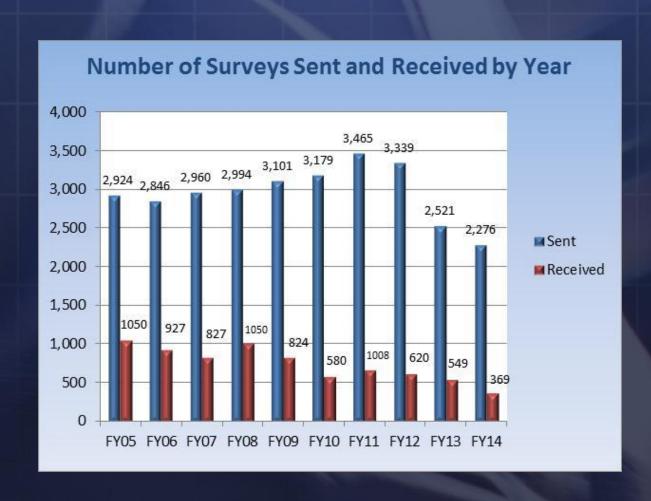
We'd like to know how you feel about our program.

Please take a moment to complete this card and drop it in the mail. Your response is greatly appreciated. Poor Fair Good Excellent 6. What was the reason for your GRH trip? How would you rate the service you received from our GRH trip reservations staff? ☐ Sick Child Overtime □ Personal Illness Other Emergency How would you rate the taxi or 7. Your name: (optional) rental car service? How would you rate our response time? 8. Comments: Overall, how would you rate our GRH service? Approximately how many minutes did minutes you wait until receiving your ride? We'll get you home. Guaranteed.

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#### Survey Response Rate



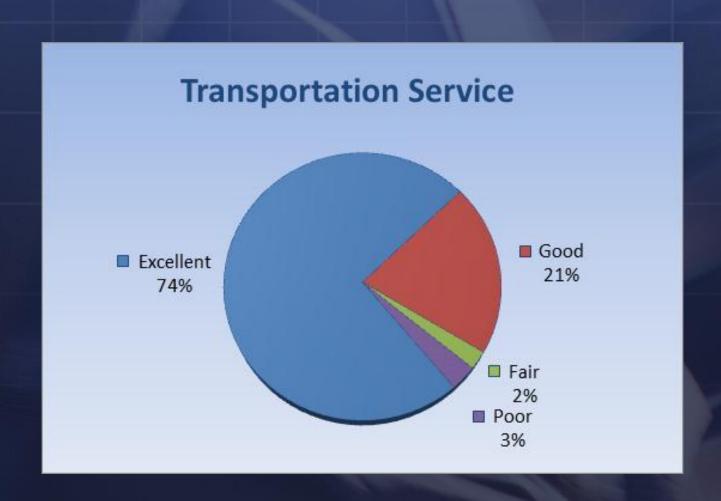
#### Survey Response Rate



#### Reservations Staff



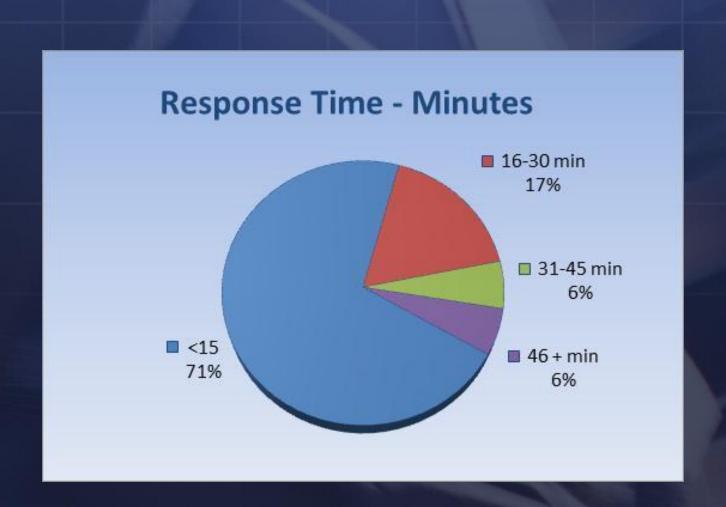
### Transportation Service



# Response Time Rating



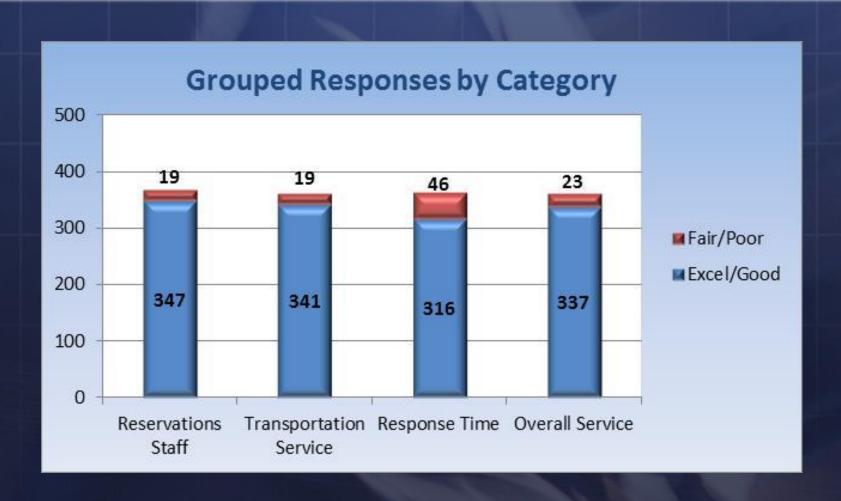
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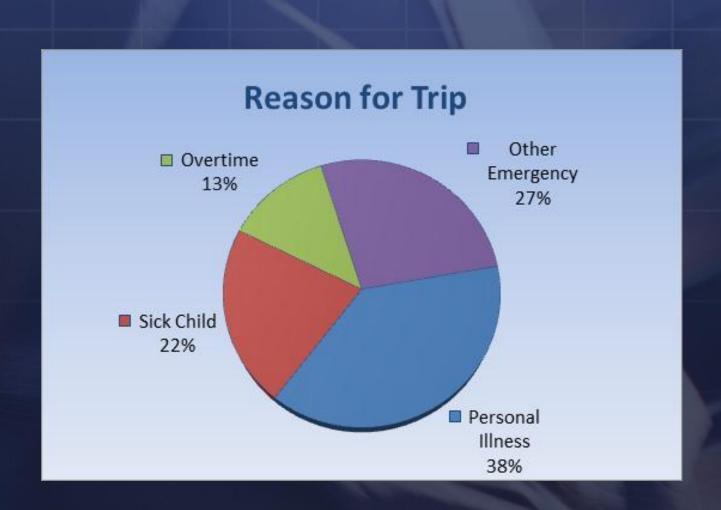
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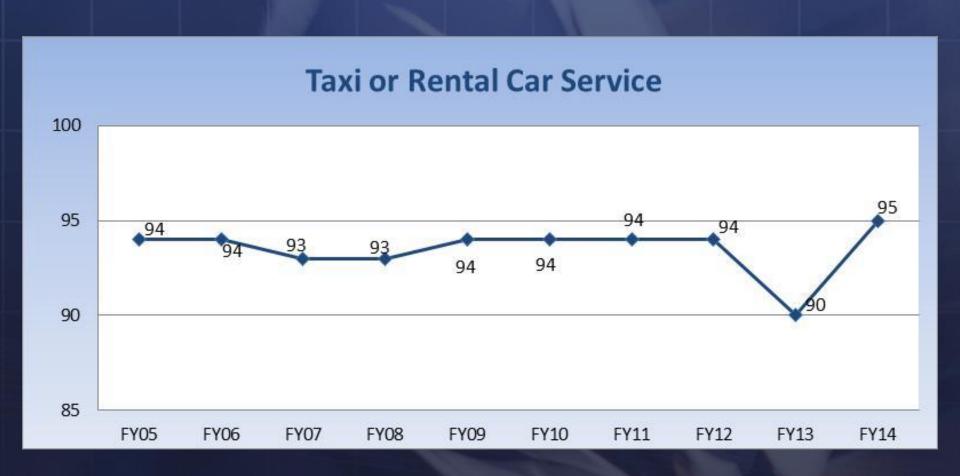
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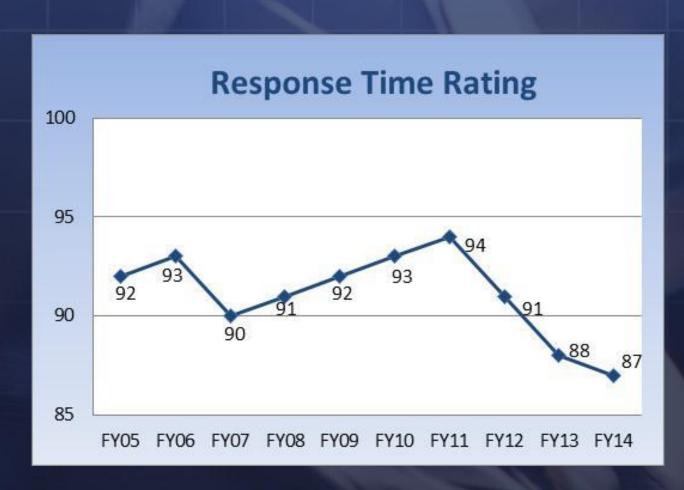


# Trip Reason

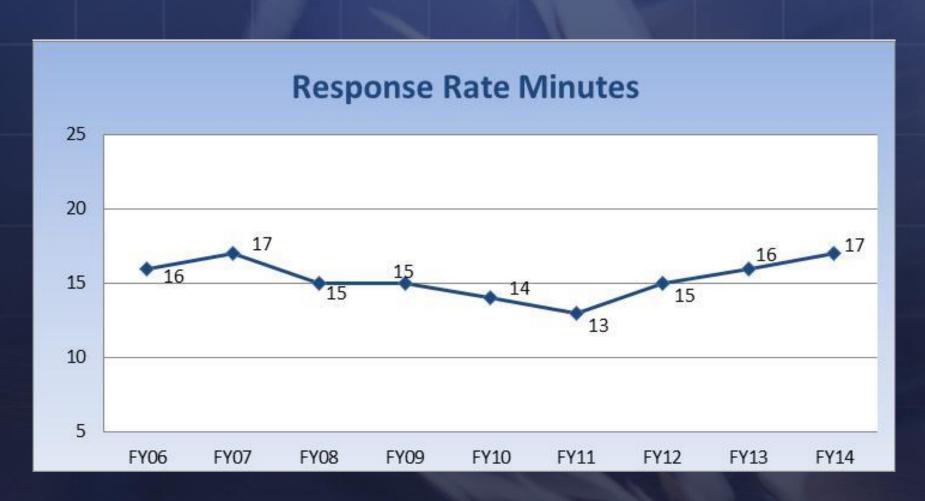








#### Comparison to Previous Years





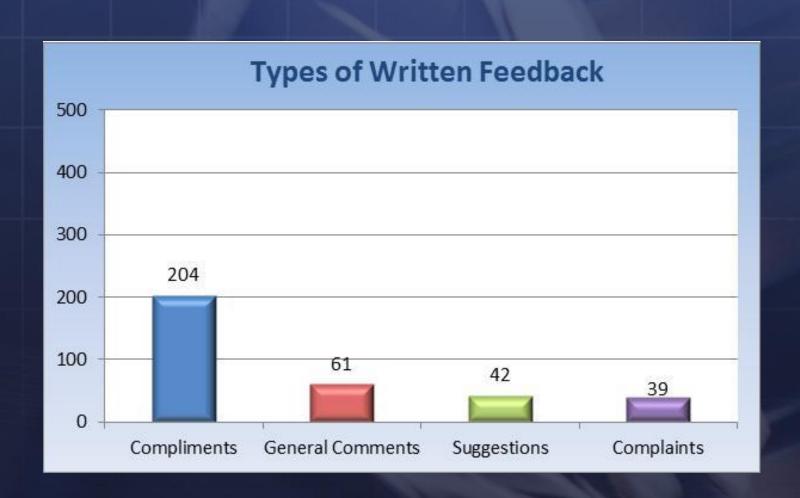
#### FY14 Customer Feedback



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- 72% of respondents provided written responses
  - 63% provided positive comments
  - 13.5% not so much

### Written Responses - Types



### Written Response Categories



#### FY14 Customer Compliments:)

- Amazing Service. I do not think you can even describe to people who have not used GRH how great it is.
- I appreciate the fact that there is a GRH program that commuters that take the VRE such as myself can use in case of an emergency.
- I am so grateful! I'm redoubling efforts to encourage fellow bus riders and friends to sign up!
- My daughter is living with type 1 diabetes and it gives me great reassurance to know I can count on the very speedy process you have to ease my mind! Thank you!
- Was very pleased with the response. Everything worked out perfect. I appreciate everyone's help in making this work.
- This was the most amazing service, just as advertised, I had never used it before, but have been yelling from the roof tops since.
- When feeling ill, it's nice to have your service to fall back on.
- Whenever I use this service it is always excellent.
- The guaranteed ride home really saved me. I was home in 1/2 hour to get a sick child

#### FY14 Customer Compliments:)

- Thank you! Without this service I would probably have to drive to work everyday just in case I need to get home unexpectedly.
- This was a lifesaver. I was so sick today at work, and it really helped that
  I was able to go home immediately. Thank you.
- This is the best service for commuters who find themselves stranded. I am so grateful for this arrangement. I don't what I would have done.
- This is an excellent service and has been so helpful to me when needed.
- It gives me the peace of mind that I don't have to drive to work, in case of emergencies, since I have a younger child.
- The phone operator and the cab driver were extremely pleasant and helpful. My husband and child were in a car accident and I had to get to back quickly and safely. The program allowed that to happen.
- The GRH was helpful. I have taken bus, train for a long time, but I recently, registered the program. Thank you.
- An injured child and I am at work, in DC. Too soon for the MARC commuter train. We remembered your service and within 20 minutes I was in a taxi headed back to get to the hospital.

#### FY14 Customer Complaints: (

- Pam from GRH was awesome, but the taxi serviced used was terrible. It took them 1 hour to pick me up.
- The driver that Enterprise Car Rental sent to come pick me up could not find my work location. After waiting for over an hour, I made other ride arrangements.
- I don't understand why a taxi cab service from my current work location is not available? Having to use a rental car is not very convenient.
- The taxi smelled very bad from cigarettes and was dirty.
- The driver did not take the HOV lanes as he was advised. We were stuck
  in more than an hour worth of traffic, it was hot in the vehicle.
- I was taken aback that the driver did not know where he was going, did not have GPS or a traffic monitor in his vehicle?
- being asked to get on Metro at 2:30 and take a train to Springfield and then call Commuter Connections to then order me a taxi takes much too long when you are dealing with potentially a serious problem.
- My driver had neither a GPS nor an EZ-Pass, so I had to keep giving him directions. I was quite ill, so this wasn't too good. However, he tried hard.

#### FY14 Customer Complaints: (

- I have used this service in the past and its always been an acceptable experience. The cab battery died. I called the service rep again and I had to explain to her numerous times the situation till she finally agreed that I shouldn't be charged an extra ride since the cab that was sent out to me was disabled.
- I should have been put in a cab and not a rental car. Sometimes in an emergencies people are too upset to be able to drive themselves.
- The dispatcher requested I call back when at the metro station. When I did that, I was told that the taxi would arrive at Greenbelt Metro within 15 minutes. The taxi finally arrived after 45 minutes.
- The taxi driver was a nightmare. He drove looking over his shoulder talking to me almost getting into an accident at least 3 times. The last one right before the turn into the park and ride area when he wasn't paying attention and slammed on his breaks.
- The driver told me he drove a cab because he was convicted of selling drug and that was all he could do then proceeded to hand me his business card for his personal insurance business.

#### Recap

- 2,276 surveys distributed
- 16% return rate
- Overall satisfaction rating 93%
- Positive rating of 87 and above for all categories
- Average response wait was 17 minutes
- 88% waited 30 minutes or less
- Written responses from 72% of survey participants
- Compliments out weighed criticism 5 to 1

#### Questions

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