

# Loudoun County Transit and Commuter Services Snapshot

TPB Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee Meeting

June 27, 2023

#### Purpose: Provide an update on Loudoun County Transit and Commuter Services

- Overview of Transit
  - Types of Transit Services
  - Who are our riders?
  - Snapshot of transit service
    - Pre Pandemic, Post Pandemic, and Today
  - Efforts to increase ridership
  - Commuter Services
  - Employer Services
  - Recent Planning Efforts



# Loudoun County Transit

#### Bus Services and fares

- Commuter bus
- Local bus service
- Paratransit service

#### Passenger resources

- Park and ride options
- Bike racks on buses
- Bus Biz rider alerts
- Transit app



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## Snapshot: Who are our riders?

#### **Commuter Bus**

Race Ethnicity

 Majority white (73.1% of riders) with smaller proportions making up the remaining riders.

#### Income

- Fewer than 3% with income below \$75,000
- 79.2% Household income of \$150,000 or more
- Overall 97.5% had income in excess of \$75,000

Language Spoken at Home and English Proficiency

 83.5% do not speak a language other than English

#### Disability

 96.1% did not identify as having a disability





#### **Local Bus**

Race Ethnicity

Minority riders makeup 69.1%

#### Income

 74.7% fall below low income threshold (High concentration of low income riders at or below \$75,000)

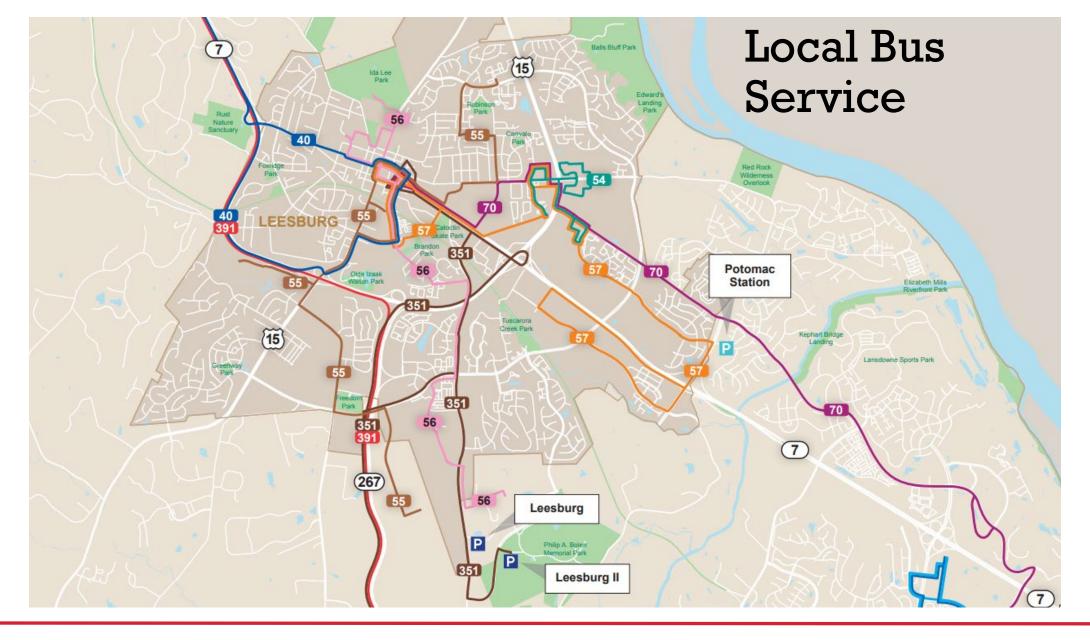
Language Spoken at Home and English Proficiency

- 64.1% speak English at home
- Of the 35.9% who speak a different language at home, Spanish was spoken.

#### Disability

 90.3% did not identify as having a disability







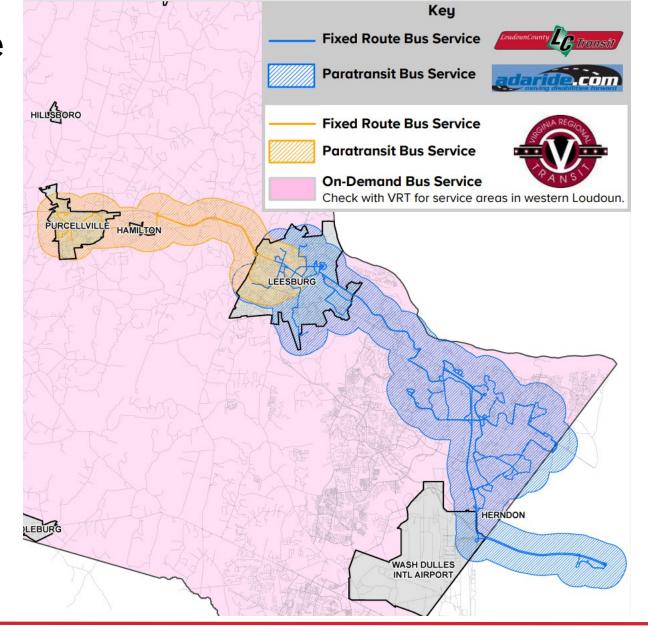
#### Commuter Bus Service



- 12 routes with service to/from Rosslyn, Crystal City, the Pentagon, and Washington DC
- Operates Mon-Fri Excluding Federal Holidays during peak hours

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### Paratransit Service





# Ridership Snapshot: The past and today

Transit	Pre- Pandemic	Post - Pandemic	Strike	Today (5/23)
Local Bus	12 routes/~ 1000 Daily Riders	~ 850 Daily Riders	~ 750 Daily Riders	~1300 Daily Riders
Commuter	~4000-4500	~500 Daily	0	~1300 Daily
Bus	Daily Riders	Riders		Riders
Paratransit	~45 Daily	~75 Daily	~ 55 Daily	~70 Daily
	Riders	Riders	Daily Riders	Riders



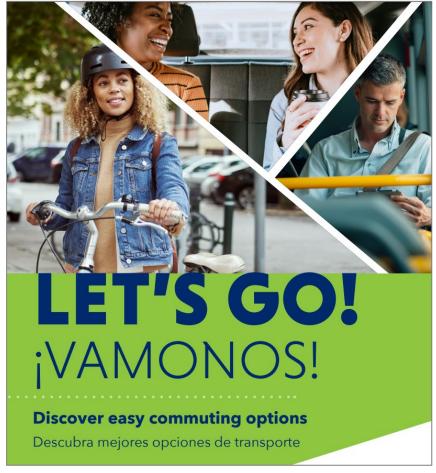
#### **Commuter Services**

## Assist public with options:

- Transit
- Carpools/vanpools
- Biking/walking to work

#### Access to incentives:

- incenTrip
- Guaranteed Ride Home



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## What is incenTrip?

- Earn Cash by Choosing a smart commute!
- App users can earn up to \$600 per calendar year by traveling via transit, bike, walking, carpool, or vanpool.

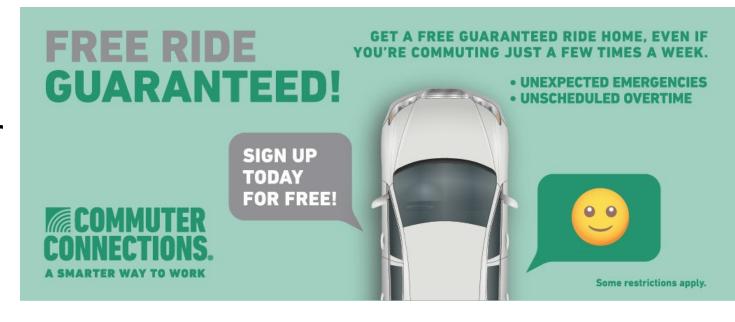




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#### Benefits of Guaranteed Ride Home

 Providers commuters who take transit, carpool, vanpool, bike or walk to work at least twice a week with up to six FREE reliable rides home when an unexpected emergency arises.



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## **Employer Services**

- Assessment of commuting patterns.
- Personalized trip planning.
- Carpool and vanpool formation.
- Transportation e-newsletter.
- Recognition opportunities.
- Transit benefit assistance.









# Re-Discover Your Ride (Transit)

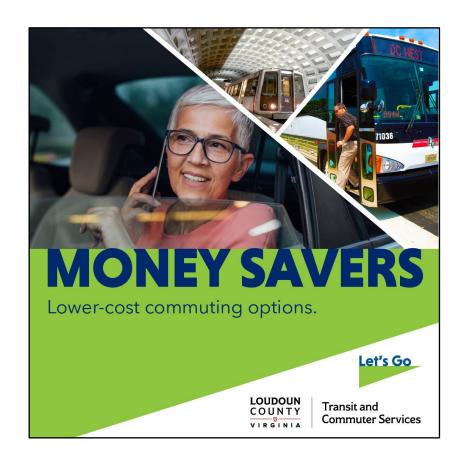
- Goal: To increase public awareness about Loudoun County Transit services and Covid safety procedures.
- Timeline: January to March 2022
- Funding: DRPT grant
- Languages: English & Spanish
- Venues: Radio, Social Media, Digital Display and Digital out-of-home (DOOH)
- Results:
  - Top message was public health
  - 9.6 M impressions
  - 47,000 CTR @ loudoun.gov/riderinformation





## Let's Go

- Goal: To increase public awareness of Loudoun County's commuting options.
- Timeline: May and June 2022
- Funding: DRPT grant
- Languages: English & Spanish
- Venues: Social Media, Google Display, Wunderkind Display, DOOH and Radio
- Messages: About Loudoun County's -
  - cost-effective commuting options
  - transit system
  - o commuting programs (via DRPT and Commuter Connections)





# Recent Planning Efforts

- Paratransit Service Area Boundary Study (FY2023)
- Park and Ride Lot Study (FY2021)
- Title VI Program Update (FY2023)
- Commuter Assistance Program Strategic Plan (ongoing)
- Transit Strategic Plan (ongoing)

Questions?

Thank you!

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