



## **COAST Needs Your Input**

### **Area Public Transit Agency Launching Online Survey**

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**Dover, NH** – The Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation ([COAST](#)) is excited to announce that it has launched an online survey to help it collect public input as it takes a comprehensive look at the entire public transit system, changes in development and travel patterns across the region, and assesses how to potentially provide new opportunities to better serve the region as it is today and into the foreseeable future.

Rad Nichols, COAST Executive Director, related, "So far we have received some great input at the seven public forums that we held in October and early November." Nichols continued, "We hope to build on that input through encouraging everyone with an interest in public transit to take our online survey and help us potentially reshape COAST services for the future. The public's input is critical to the success of this project."

To take the survey, visit COAST's webpage dedicated to their ongoing planning efforts to relook their public transit system ([www.coastbus.org/OurFuture](http://www.coastbus.org/OurFuture)). A link to the survey can be found on the project landing page.

COAST hopes that within the first couple of weeks in December there will be significant public input, from which they can begin to form a better understanding of the region's wants, needs and expectations. COAST will be reporting out on the initial public input gathered through their public forums and surveys in late January or early February.

Nichols added, "We really need and appreciate the public's input and participation, whether that be as a rider, local elected official, local business leader, city/town staff member, nonprofit/agency member, or an interested member of the public. We want to hear from a diverse cross section of the communities we serve."

The Cooperative Alliance for Seacoast Transportation (COAST) has provided public transit service to the Seacoast New Hampshire region since 1982. COAST is a public, non-profit transit system that relies primarily on federal and local government support to operate. COAST is governed by a board of directors representing the communities served, two regional planning commissions, and many local and state agencies.

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