

# YOU ARE INVITED TO RIDE THE BUS

Where: Around Lake Menomín, along the major north/south and east roads.

Date: 2018

Time: Check the various Route Maps and Schedules [www.co.dunn.wi.us/transit](http://www.co.dunn.wi.us/transit)

RSVP: 715-235-7433



## ***Dunn County Transit 2017 A Year in Transition***

### **Transition from multiple distinct customer groups**

Seniors  
General Public  
College Students  
Disabled



Everyone  
Synergy, Diversity, Inclusive

### **Transition to sustainable budget funding**

Not DET



 US Department of Transportation DOT  
Federal Transit Administration FTA  
Wisconsin Department of Transportation WisDOT  
Dunn County Transit Commission

## NO LONGER DET

### Disabled Elderly Transportation- DET

Specialized Transportation is under the umbrella of services of the **USDOT**

INTEGRATION WITH PUBLIC TRANSIT PROGRAMS  
COORDINATION OF HUMAN SERVICE  
TRANSPORTATION  
FTA GUIDANCE REQUIRED COORDINATION OF THE  
PROGRAM WITH OTHER FEDERAL HUMAN  
SERVICES TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS.

The Section 5310 program (local DET) was established in 1975 as a discretionary capital assistance program, and the program awarded grants to private non-profit organizations to serve the needs of seniors and persons with disabilities. Many of the non-profit agencies used the vehicles primarily for transportation of their own clients. The Section 5310 program changed to a formula program under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA). ISTEA encouraged the coordination of human service transportation, and FTA guidance required coordination of the program with other federal human services transportation programs. The Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) enacted in 1998, reauthorized the Section 5310 program. TEA-21 increased the authorized funding levels, but made no significant program changes.

WisDOT Program Manager



## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### USDOT

#### Mission Statement

Serve the United States by ensuring a fast, safe, efficient, accessible and convenient transportation system that meets our vital national interests and enhances the quality of life of the American people, today and into the future.

## FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION



### FTA

#### Mission Statement

Our mission is to enhance citizens' mobility, accessibility, and economic well-being through the development and management of public transport services that are comprehensive, affordable, efficient, reliable, safe, and environmentally sound

# THE WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (WISDOT)

## Mission

Provide leadership in the development and operation of a safe and efficient transportation system

### WISDOT FUNDING PROGRAMS

The Federal Formula Grant Program for **Rural Areas** (Section 5311) supports capital and operating expenses for public transportation services that are scheduled for and operated in non-urbanized areas (population under 50,000).

**Wisconsin counties** (or agencies thereof) are the **only eligible applicants for funds available under s. 85.21, Wis. Stats**, which are allocated on annual basis as determined by current population estimates.

### FUNDING SHARES FEDERAL STATE LOCAL

Tier C: Systems serving areas with population between 2,500 and 50,000

(Tiers are A1, A2, B, and C)

Annual funding amounts per system are equalized via formula statewide

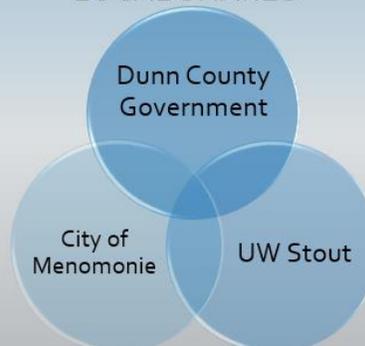
#### Capital

80% Federal 20% Local

#### Operations

57% State 43% Local (Approximately)

### DUNN COUNTY TRANSIT LOCAL SHARES



## Sustainable Budget

- ❑ Renegotiated Dispatching Software for savings
- ❑ Renegotiated Ride System APP for savings
- ❑ Lower Health Care Cost with HSA
- ❑ Overall change in budget accounting, using SAP, and WisDOT line item format.
  
- ❑ Route changes made at direction of Commission  
Reduced staffing expenses

## Overall

3.3% Slight decline in total ridership

27% Strong increase in Doorstop Route

10% Operation expense decrease

29% Reduction in Expense/Revenue hour

## 2017 MINUTES SUMMARY

### MINUTES POSTED

WisDOT, FTA

Agency Updates

Bus Fleet

Staffing, Operations

Capital Projects

Miscellaneous

## WisDOT/FTA

- Building Reimbursements Completed
- 2014 WisDOT Audit Completed
- Capital Awards Announcement-only vehicle replacement – no smaller project i.e. shelter, signage
- 1<sup>st</sup> State Heavy Duty Bus Procurement Completed – Base Prices  
30' Diesel \$327,000-40' Hybrid \$654,740

## WISDOT/FTA

November 2017

### 5 - Year On-Site Transit Management Performance Overall Review Very Positive

"Advanced information provided, nice to see cooperation with Public Works, will provide savings and better bus maintenance, nice to see transit as a team player with PW, after reviewing several small systems in WI, I can say that DC is one of the best I have reviewed, your thoughtful and honest enthusiasm was refreshing, I have confidence that you will be able to guide Dunn County Transit through the challenges that will occur in the next few years."

Final Review Posted on [www.co.dunn.wi.us/transit](http://www.co.dunn.wi.us/transit)

## AGENCY UPDATES

- Service Contract Renewal, Inclusa family care 48+ counties
- Ridership Agreement renewal with UW Stout
- City Council Meeting Public Hearing
- Participation
  - Community Health Coalitions
  - Dunn County Economic Development Corporation Board
  - Dunn County Veterans Conference
  - Chamber of Commerce Events
  - ADRC Regional Roundtable
  - St. Croix Co. Transit Development

## FLEET

### BUSES BREAK!

Expensive and ongoing repairs are necessary  
(2 removed from service due to costly engine  
repairs)

We perform regular engine maintenance  
inspections

Lifts are inspected quarterly

## STAFFING, OPERATIONS

We have a strong, stable and loyal core staff of full-  
time and part-time employees

### **Customer Service is Key**

Marketing initiatives throughout the year

New Public Works Director October 2017

## CAPITAL PROJECTS

Submitted multiple funding applications for  
buses, shelters and signage

Purchased one new bus, specifically for the  
Doorstop Route, configured with additional  
wheelchair capacity

Delivery on February 15, 2018

## MISCELLANEOUS

- Staff Training
- Conferences
- Building Ownership Maintenance
- Full year in new facility

All staff in one location, efficiency of service

All buses in one location, efficiency of service

Fleet protected from weather, reliable winter start-ups

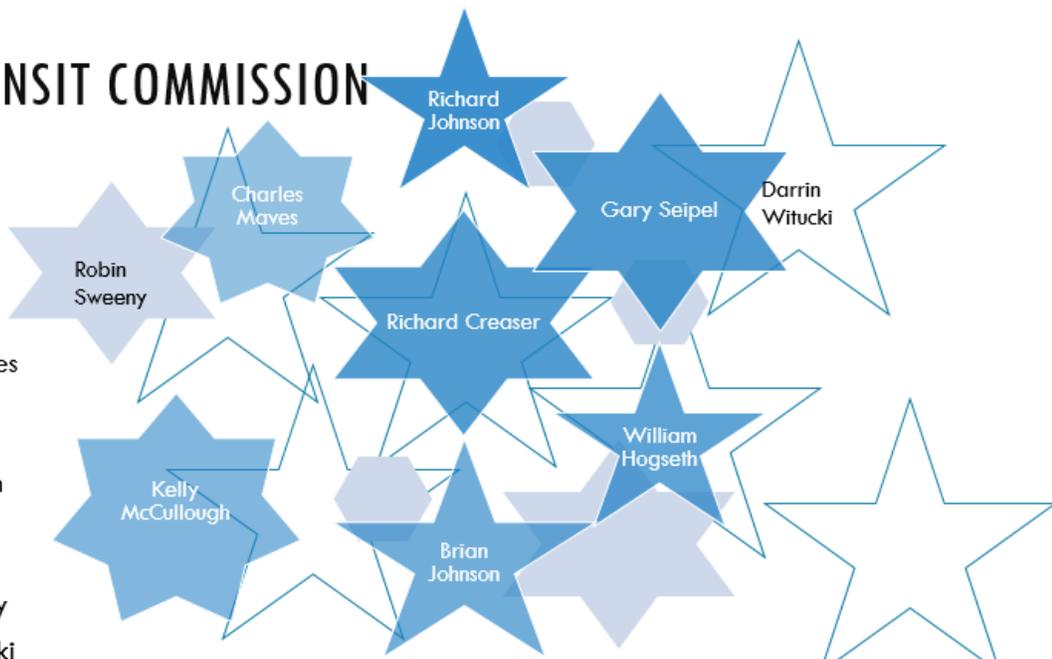
Asset Protection

## 2018

- Summited 1<sup>st</sup> funding application - In Review
- Adding additional advertising budget requests
- Increasing the maintenance budget
- Hoping to get Capital funding allocations for buses, shelters and signage.

## TRANSIT COMMISSION

Gary Seipel  
Richard Creaser  
Richard Johnson  
Charles Maves  
Kelly McCullough  
Brian Johnson  
William Hogseth  
Robin Sweeny  
Darrin Witucki



THANK YOU

DCT APPRECIATES YOUR  
INTEREST IN

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION  
FOR ALL

