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Dump the Pump: Free Bus Rides on Harford Transit LINK June 20

BEL AIR, Md., (June 12, 2019) – Harford Transit LINK, the county's bus transportation system, will offer free rides on all its fixed routes Thursday, June 20 to celebrate National Dump the Pump Day. The American Public Transportation Association organizes this annual event to promote public transportation as a convenient, cost-saving travel option. According to the Association, commuters who switch from cars to public transportation can save, on average, \$847 per month, or \$10,164 each year.

Harford Transit LINK operates six fixed routes Monday through Friday with 12 buses countywide and into Cecil County. The LINK also connects with Amtrak (Aberdeen only), MTA/MARC trains, MTA commuter buses, and regional Greyhound, which then connects with main terminals in Baltimore and interstate travel. Key service areas include Harford Community College, the Mary Risteau State Office Building, Upper Chesapeake and Harford Memorial hospitals, Perryman Peninsula and Riverside business communities, Aberdeen Train Station, Harford Mall, the Constant Friendship shopping area, Edgewater Village Shopping Center, and Beard's Hill Shopping Plaza.

Riding Harford Transit LINK is more convenient than ever before with RouteShout 2.0 and Token Transit, two free apps introduced by the administration under County Executive Barry Glassman.

RouteShout 2.0 displays bus routes and schedules, and lets riders track buses in real time with a free download from Google Play and Apple's App Store, or via www.harfordtransitlink.org. Once the application has been downloaded, users should choose "Harford County Transportation Services" from the menu to view Harford Transit LINK routes.

The Token Transit app eliminates the need to carry exact fare or a bus pass. After downloading the app, users can buy single or 12-ride passes on their smartphones and simply activate the online passes to show the driver before boarding the bus. Token Transit is available for free on Google Play or Apple's App Store. To get started, customers can also text the word "Token" to 41411 or visit www.tokentransit.com/app and choose Harford Transit LINK from the menu.

More information about Harford Transit LINK and Dump the Pump Day on June 20 is available by calling 410-612-1620 or at www.harfordtransitlink.org.