



PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

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City of Ellensburg
Date & Time of Meeting
Place of Meeting

PTAC Meeting Agenda
July 18, 2023 2:00 PM
Virtual Meeting

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Approval of Agenda:

- Motion to approve the Agenda of the July 18, 2023 PTAC Meeting Agenda.

3. Ridership Stats:

- **3.A June Ridership Stats** **Pg 2**

4. Agenda Items:

- **4.A 2023 – 2028 Transit Development Plan and 2022 Annual Report** **Pg 12**

5. Transit Updates:

- **5.A 2023 – 2025 Grant funding award letters** **Pg 44**

6. Approval of Minutes:

- **6.A Motion to approve the June 20, 2023 PTAC Minutes.** **Pg 47**

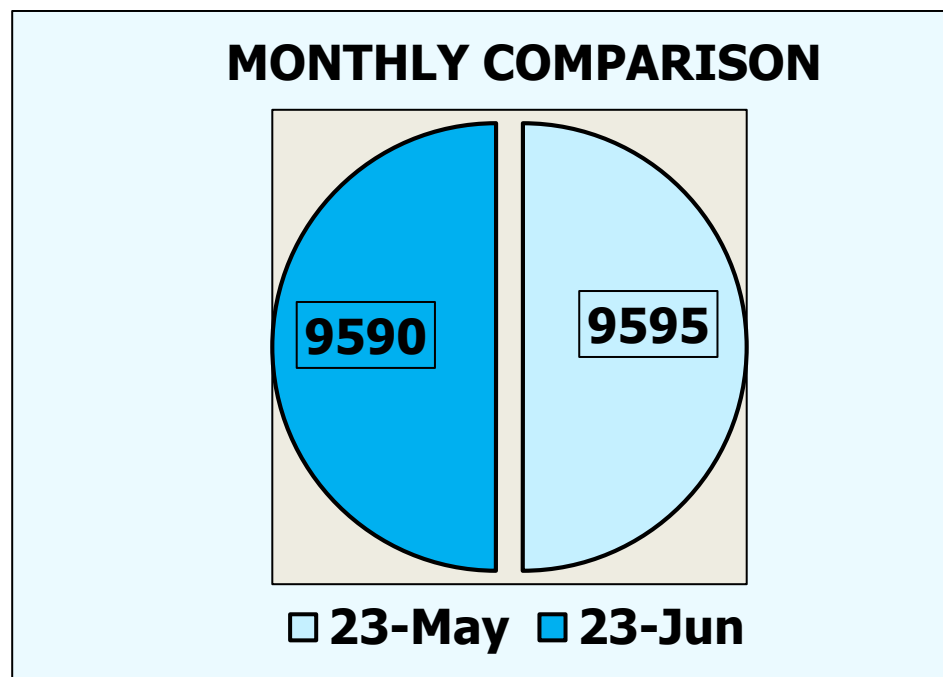
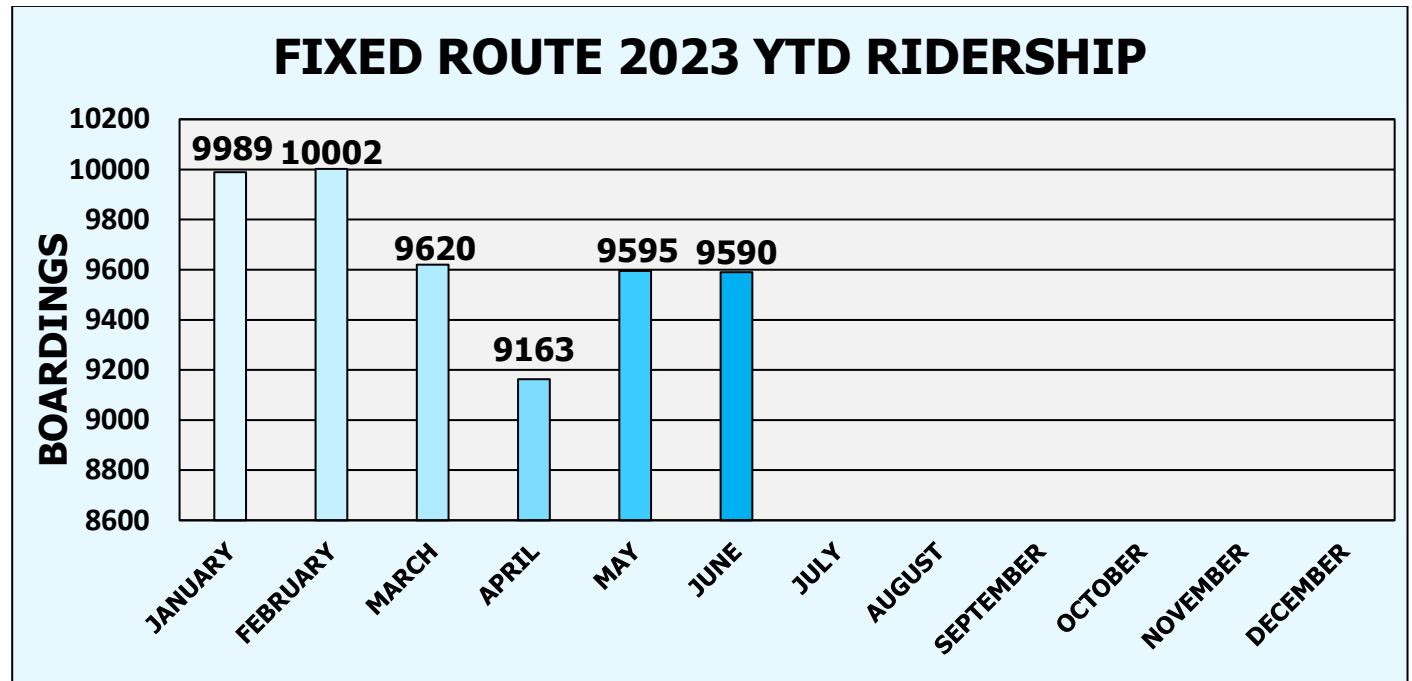
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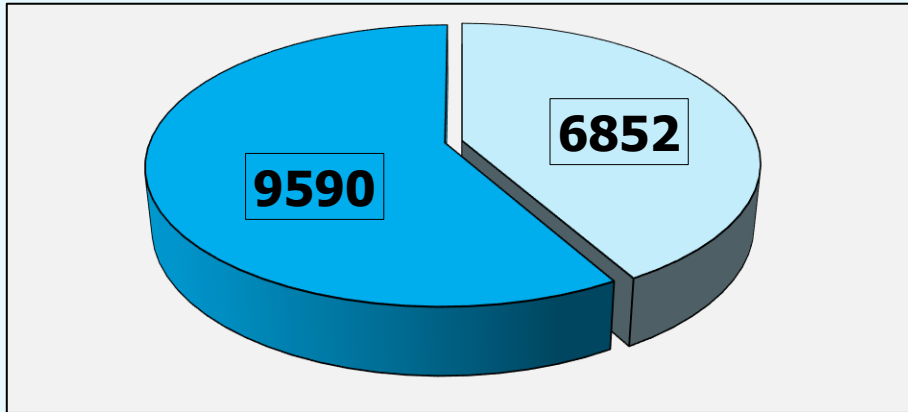
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3.A JUNE RIDERSHIP

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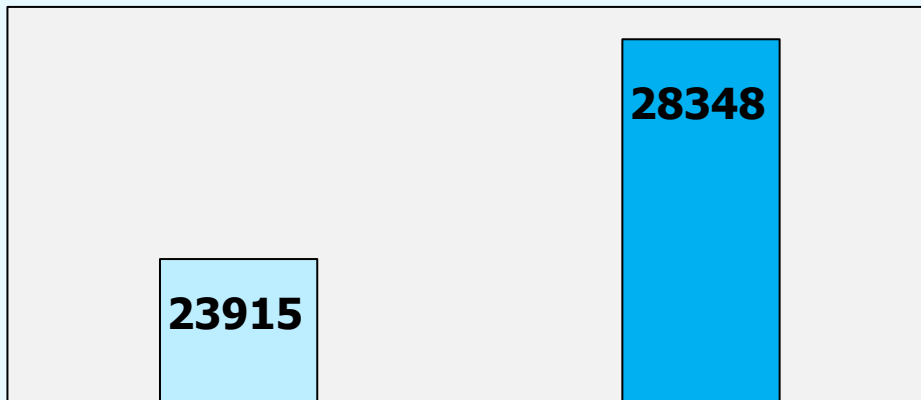
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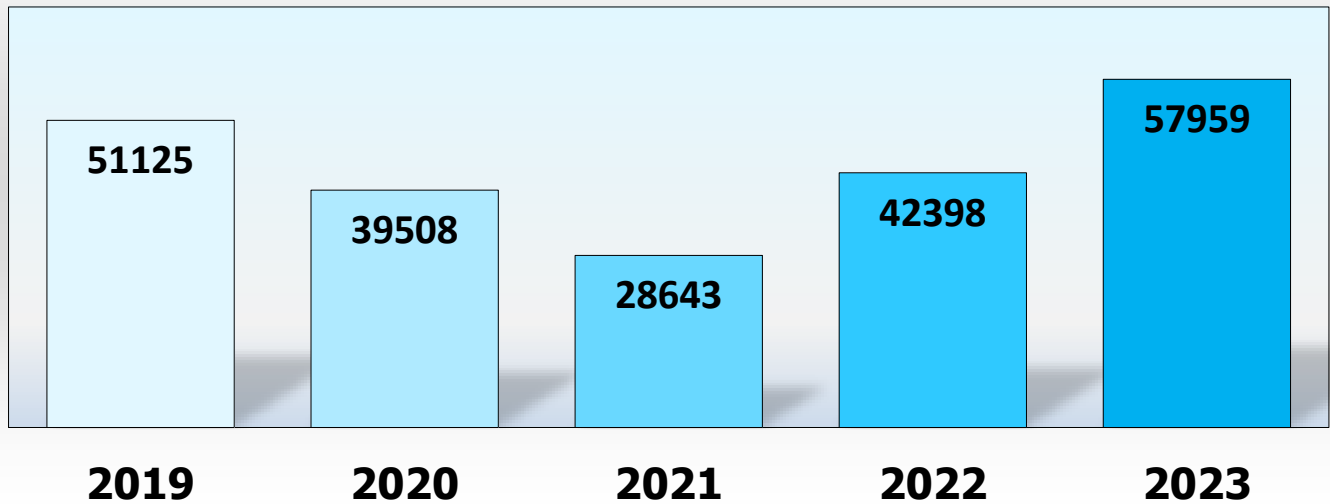


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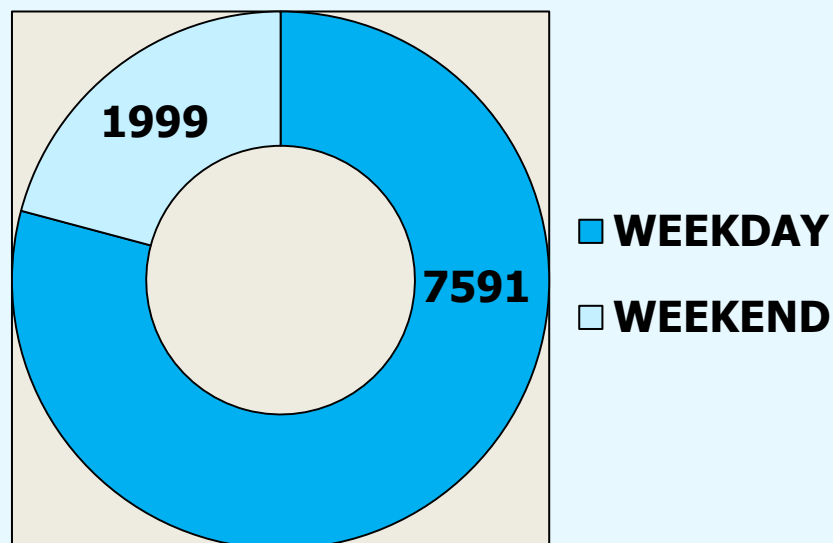
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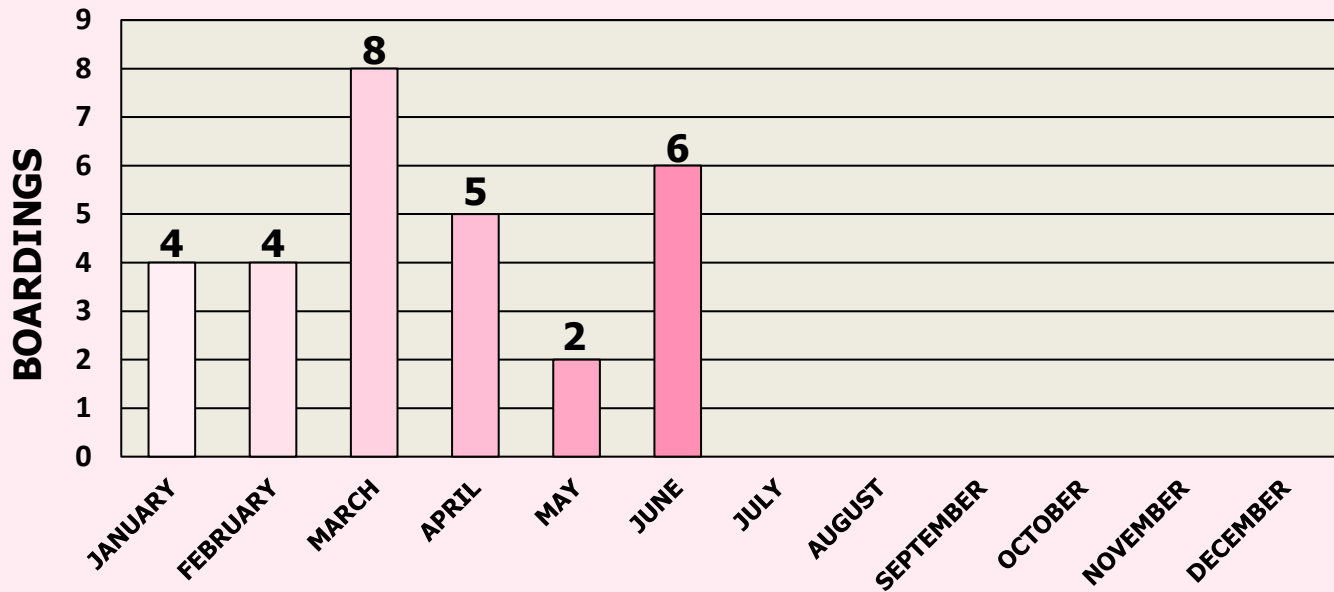
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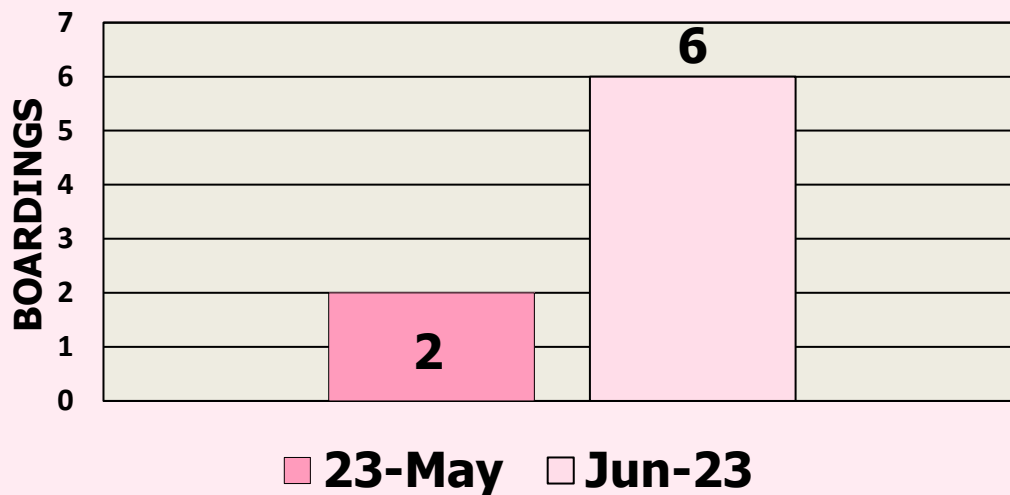
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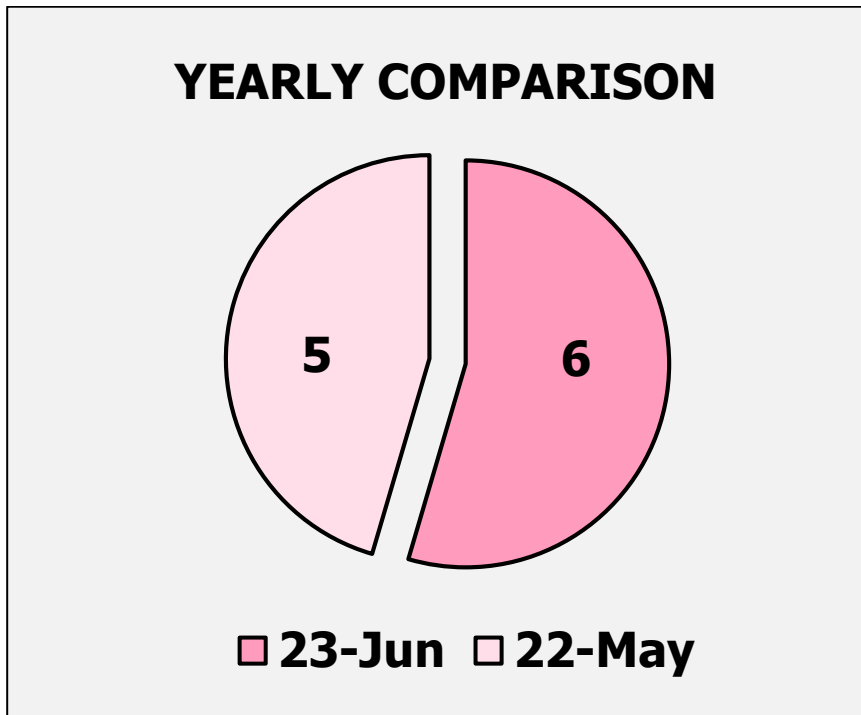
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2023 PARATRANSIT RIDERSHIP



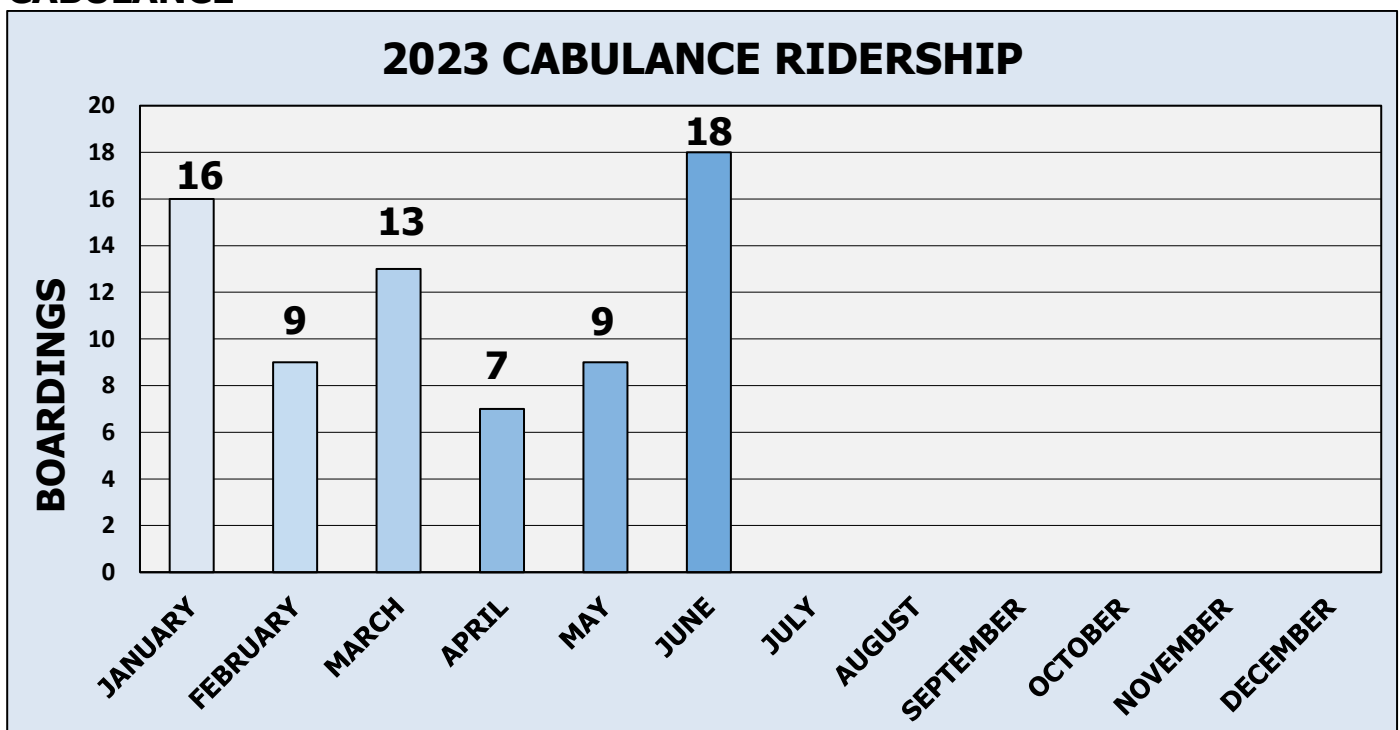
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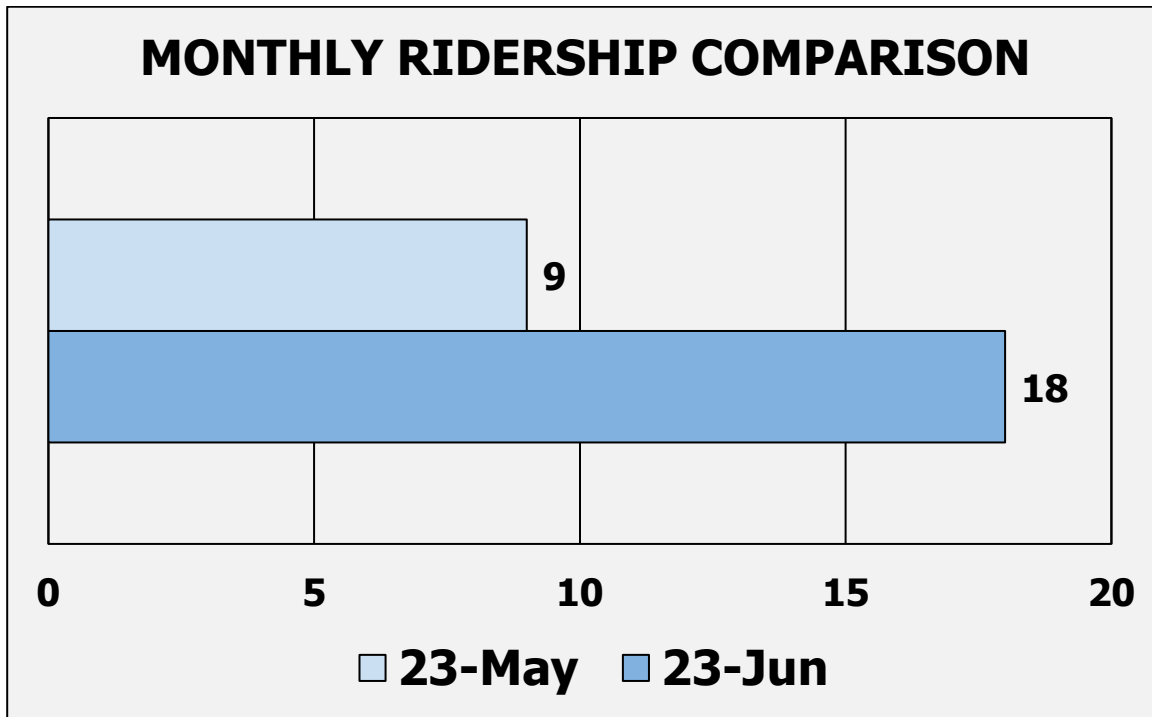




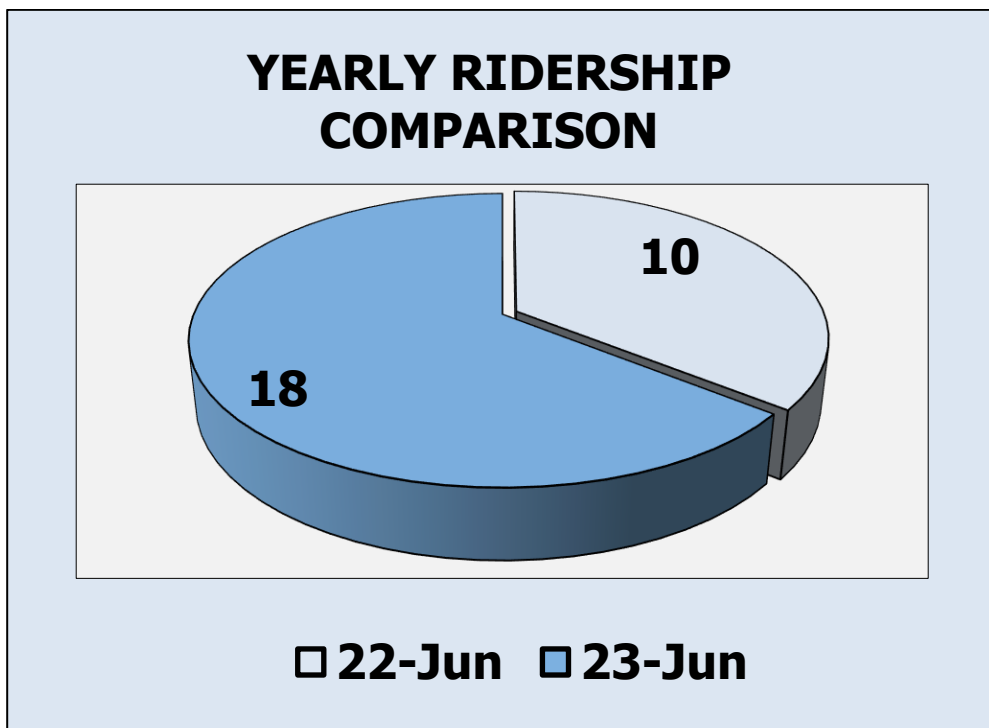
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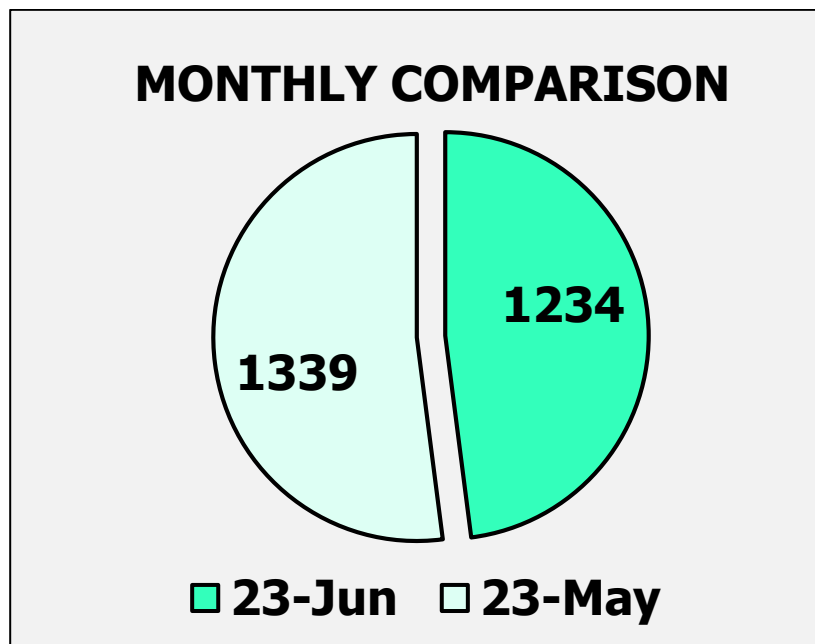
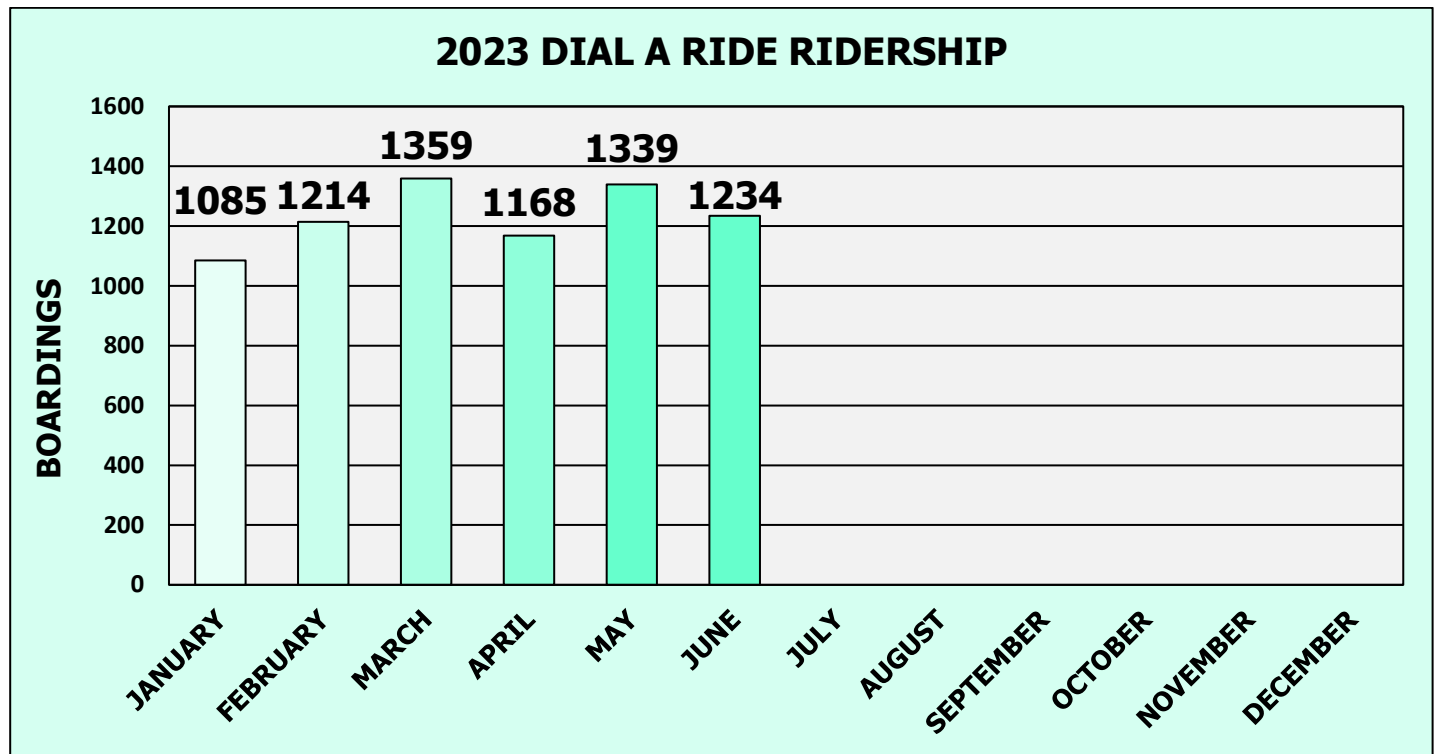
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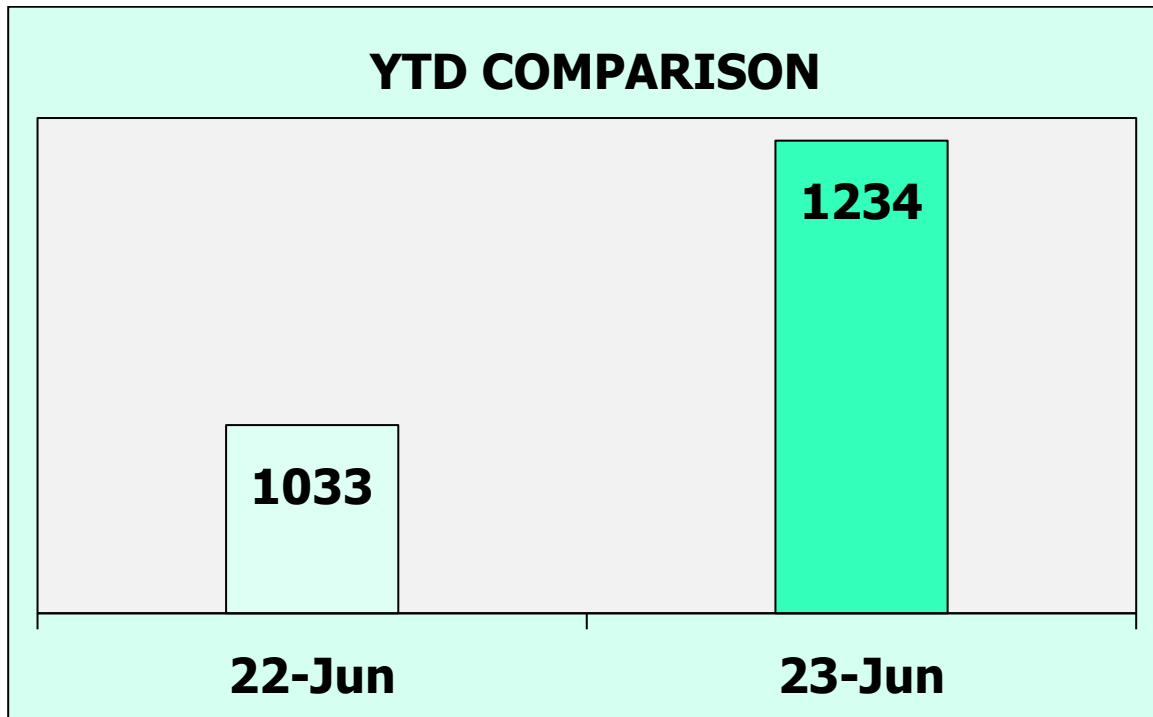
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PICK UP LOCATIONS	
KVH Hospital	16
Hearthstone Cottage	0
Pacifica Senior Living	0
Meadows Place	2
Private Residence / Other	0
Prestige	0
Kittitas Valley Fire & Rescue	0
Total	18
DROP OFF LOCATIONS	
KVH Hospital	2
Hearthstone Cottage	6
Pacifica Senior Living	0
Private Residence / Other	5
Meadows Place	1
Prestige	4
Kittitas Valley Fire & Rescue	0
Total	18

DIAL A RIDE

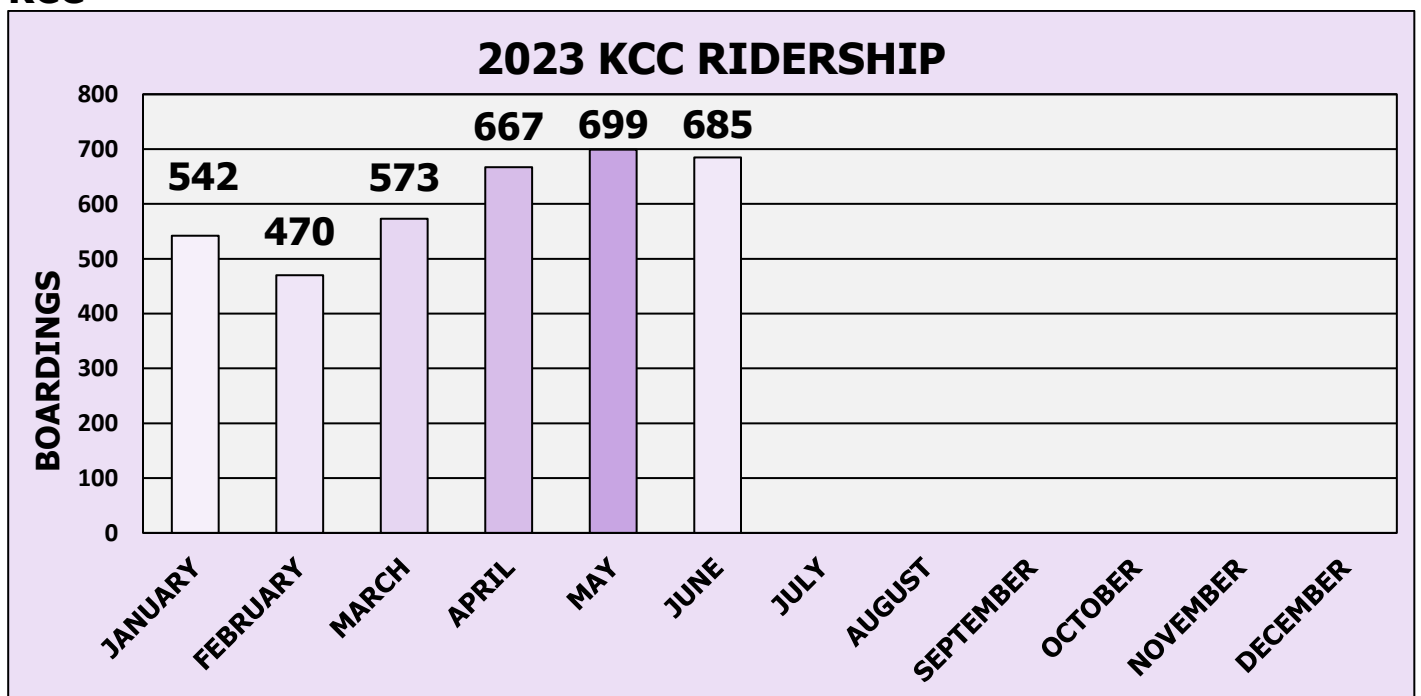


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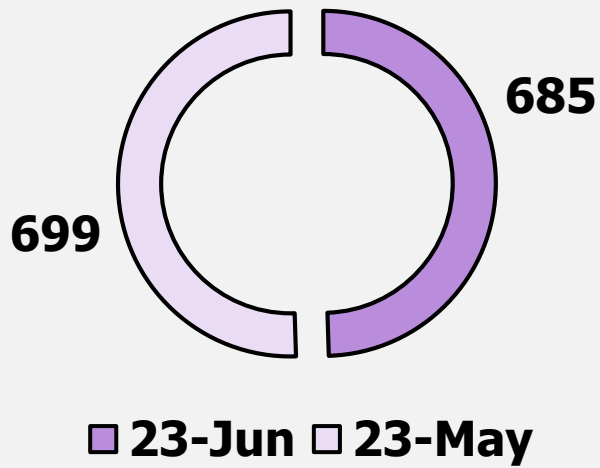


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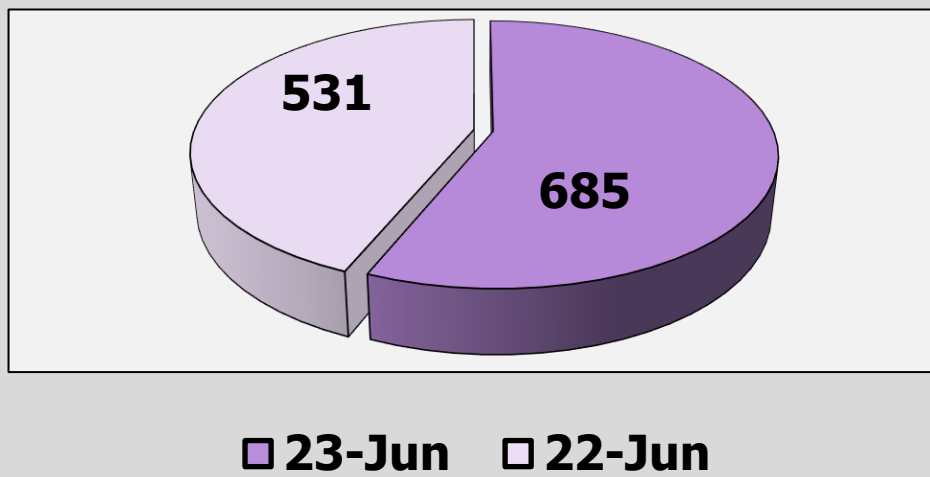


MONTHLY COMPARISON



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YEARLY COMPARISON



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4.A TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND ANNUAL REPORT

Transit Development Plan 2023 - 2028

with 2022 Annual Report



Date of Public Hearing: July 18, 2023 - August 18, 2023

Adopted: August 15, 2023



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Plan Adoption, Public Hearing and Distribution

Plan Adoption

The City of Ellensburg City Council adopted the 2023 - 2028 Transit Development Plan on August, 2023 at 7 PM at the City of Ellensburg's City Hall Council Chambers located at 501 N Anderson Street, Ellensburg, WA 98926.

Public Participation Process

The 2023 – 2028 Transit Development Plan was reviewed by the Public Advisory Committee on July, 2023 and recommended it be submitted to the Ellensburg City Council for approval.

Public Comment Period: July 18, 2023 – August 18, 2023

Comments Submitted to: transit@ci.ellensburg.wa.us

Central Transit
Betsy Dunbar, Transit Manager
501 N Anderson Street
Ellensburg, WA 98926

Public Hearing: The City of Ellensburg will hold a public hearing on the Transit Development Plan on August, 2023 at 7PM at the City of Ellensburg City Hall.

Notice Posed to Website: Central Transit posted a notice of the hearing on the Transit Development Plan to its website at www.centraltransit.org on July 18, 2023.

Notice Published in Local Paper: The Daily Record published a notice of the hearing on the Transit Development Plan on July 18, 2023.

Request for Paper or Digital Copies: Central Transit allowed the public to request a paper or digital copy of the Transit Development Plan on and after July 18, 2023 by emailing transit@ci.ellensburg.wa.us or by calling 509-925-8680.

Available to the Public for Review: Central Transit allow the public to view a copy of the draft Transit Development Plan at City Hall, 501 N Anderson Street, Ellensburg, WA 98926.



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Plan Distribution

On August, 2023 Central Transit distributed the adopted Transit Development Plan to:
WebGrants at wsdot.ptd.webgrantscloud.com

All cities, counties and regional transportation planning organizations within which Central Transit operates.

Description of Service Area, Operation and Facilities

Service Area

Central Transit is a rural public transit system serving a population of 19,530 residents within a total area of 7.65 square miles. Located just east of the Cascade Range at the junction of Interstate 90 and 82, Ellensburg is known as the most centrally located city in the state of Washington.

Central Transit serves the general public throughout the city limits of Ellensburg.

Schedules and maps can be found on Central Transit's website at:

<http://www.centraltransit.org>

Operations

Central Transit provides accessible fixed route and complimentary ADA paratransit services.

Central Transit operates 5 fixed routes daily from 6:55 AM to 8:15 PM. Central Transit's system maps Exhibit's C - G, Pages 10 - 14 show the locations of each route, the direction of bus movement, scheduled bus stops, on demand bus stops, bus shelters and transfer service points.

- Routes 12 A operates from 7:10 AM – 7:45 PM and 12 B operates from 7:40 AM to 8:15 PM and serve the north end of the City, Central Washington University, downtown, and the business and shopping areas on the south end of town.
- Route 13 operates from 6:57 AM to 7:15 PM and extends north to Elmview and south to senior housing and the hospital.
- Route 14 operates from 6:55 AM to 6:45 PM and serves additional north end housing and Ellensburg High School on the south end.
- Routes 15 operates from 7:55 AM – 7:20 PM and 16 operates from 7:25 AM to 6:50 PM and serves downtown and the west side of Ellensburg.

The majority of Central Transit's transfer locations allow connections to other ground transportation which include the Kittitas County Connector, Greyhound, Flixbus, the

Yakima-Ellensburg Commuter, the Travel Washington Apple Line, and the Bellair Airporter Shuttle which connects with SeaTac International Airport and Amtrak.

Exhibit A: Central Transit Connections



Central Transit also connects passengers with many shared-use biking and walking trails including the Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail.



ADA Paratransit services are available within $\frac{3}{4}$ miles of the fixed route service during the same time as the Central Transit fixed route services.

EXHIBIT B: ADA Paratransit Service





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Central Transit's Cabulance service operates independently 24-7 to provide accessible non-emergency medical transportation for individuals within the City limits of Ellensburg to and from specific medical facilities as initiated by Kittitas Valley Fire and Rescue and other contracted facilities.

Transit services operate year-around with the exception of the following holidays: New Year's Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

The City of Ellensburg contracts all transportation operations to HopeSource, a local private nonprofit organization.

The City of Ellensburg provides support for HopeSource's county wide Dial A Ride and Kittitas County Connector services. The City also provides support for Yakima Transit's Yakima-Ellensburg Commuter Service.

Route schedules, maps, route planning, alerts, rider guide, news and information can be found on Central Transit's website at www.centraltransit.org.

EXHIBIT C: Full Service Map

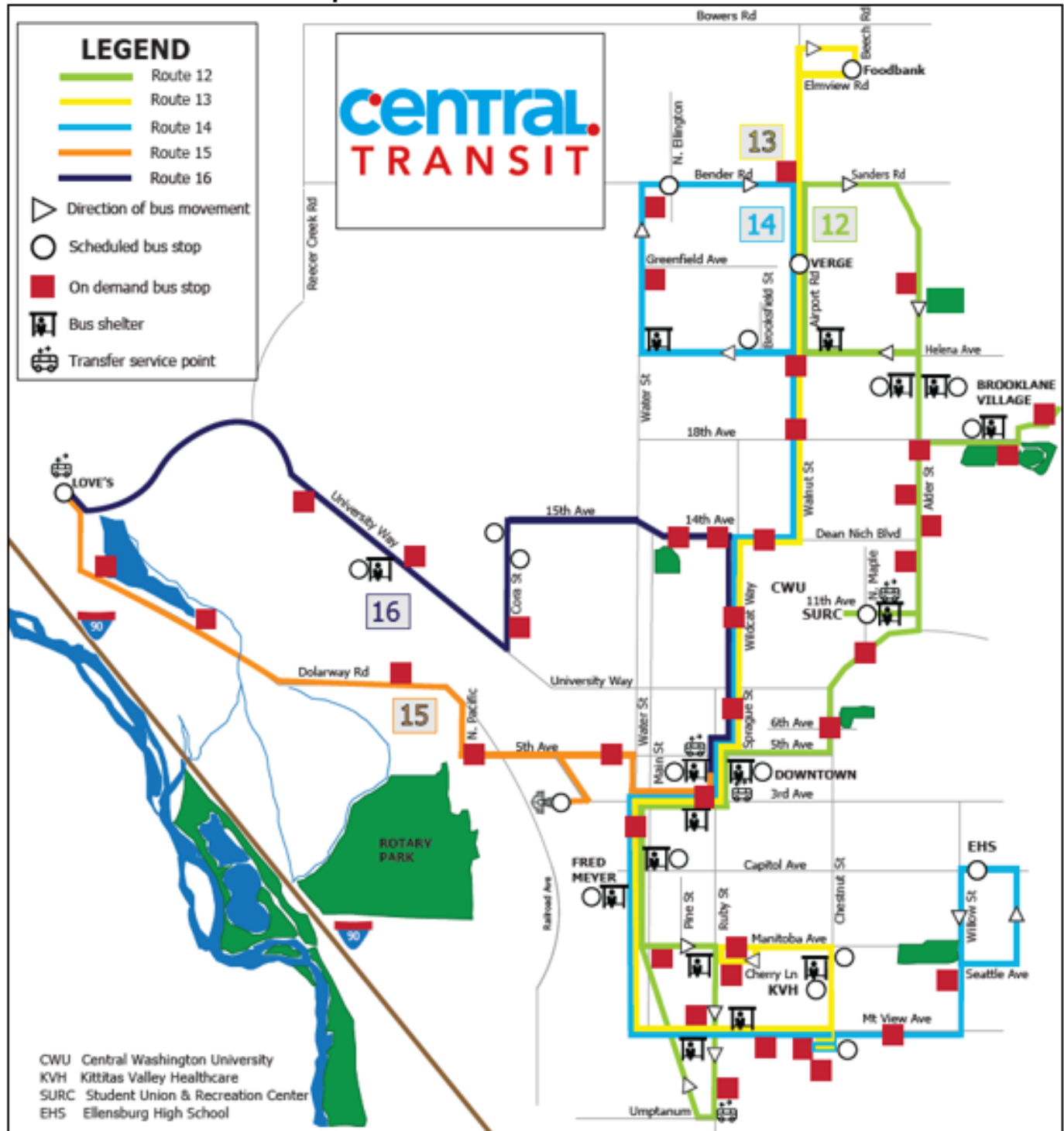


EXHIBIT D: Route 12 A | B Service Map

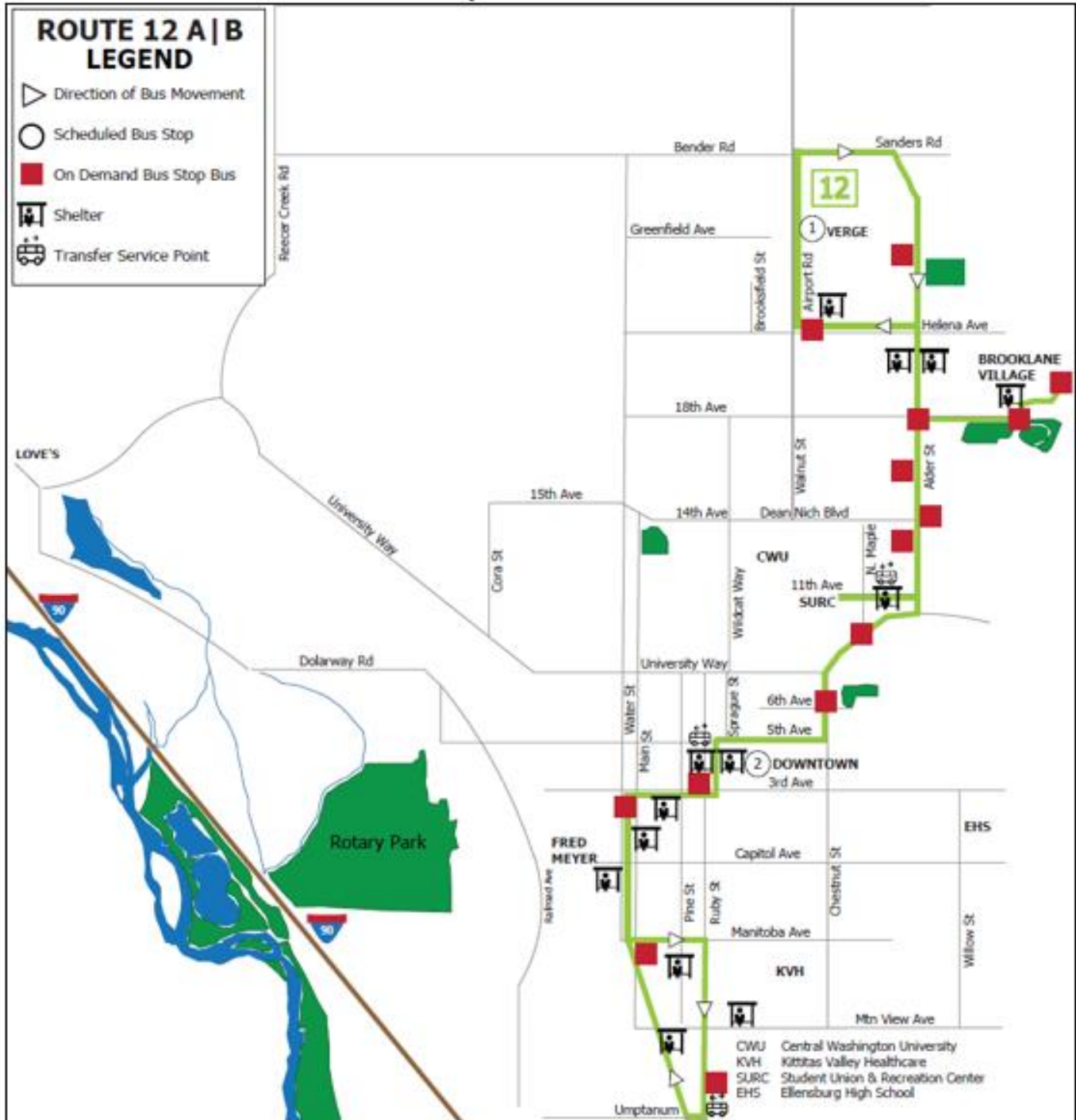


EXHIBIT D: Route 13 Service Map

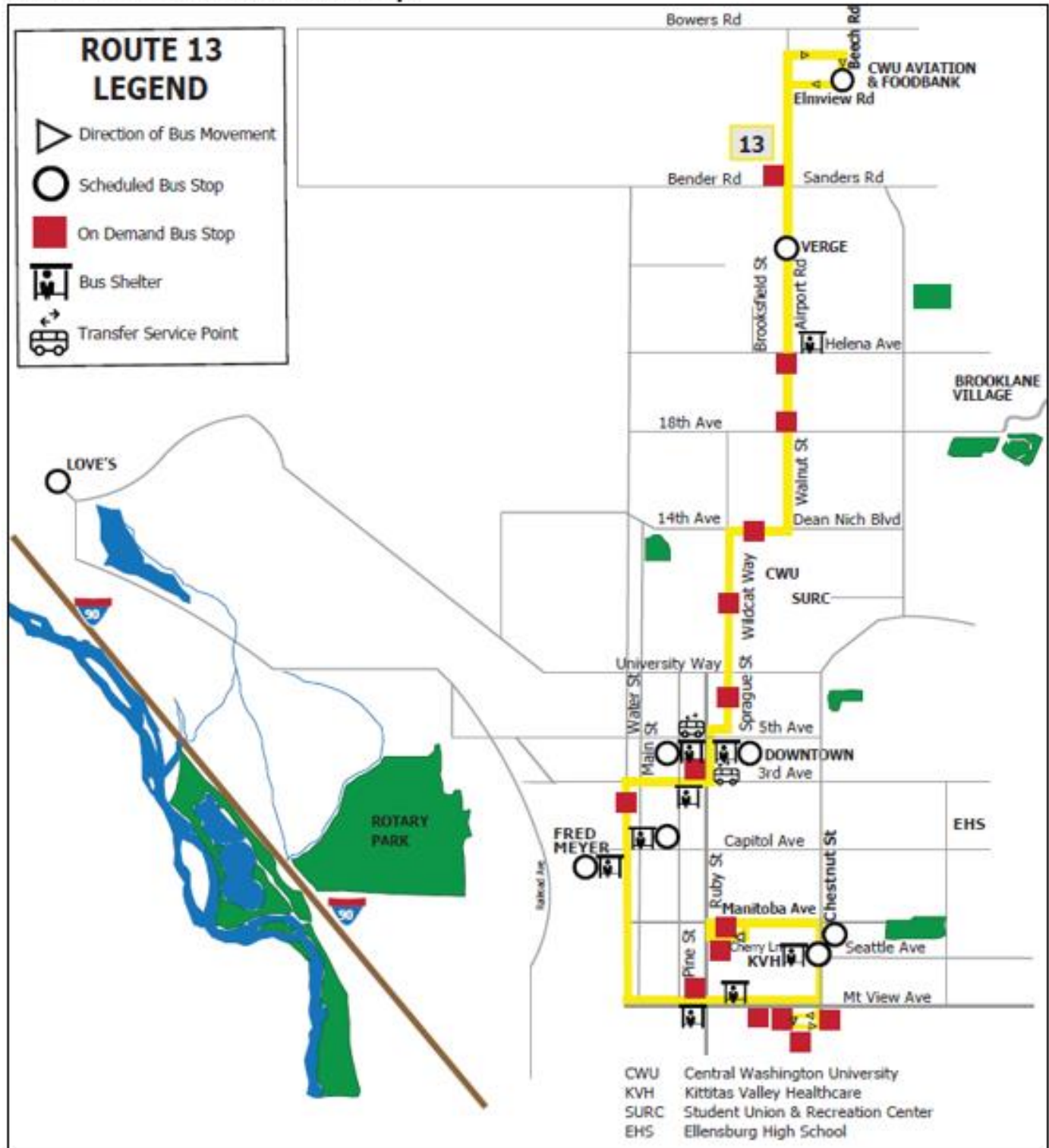


EXHIBIT D: Route 14 Service Map

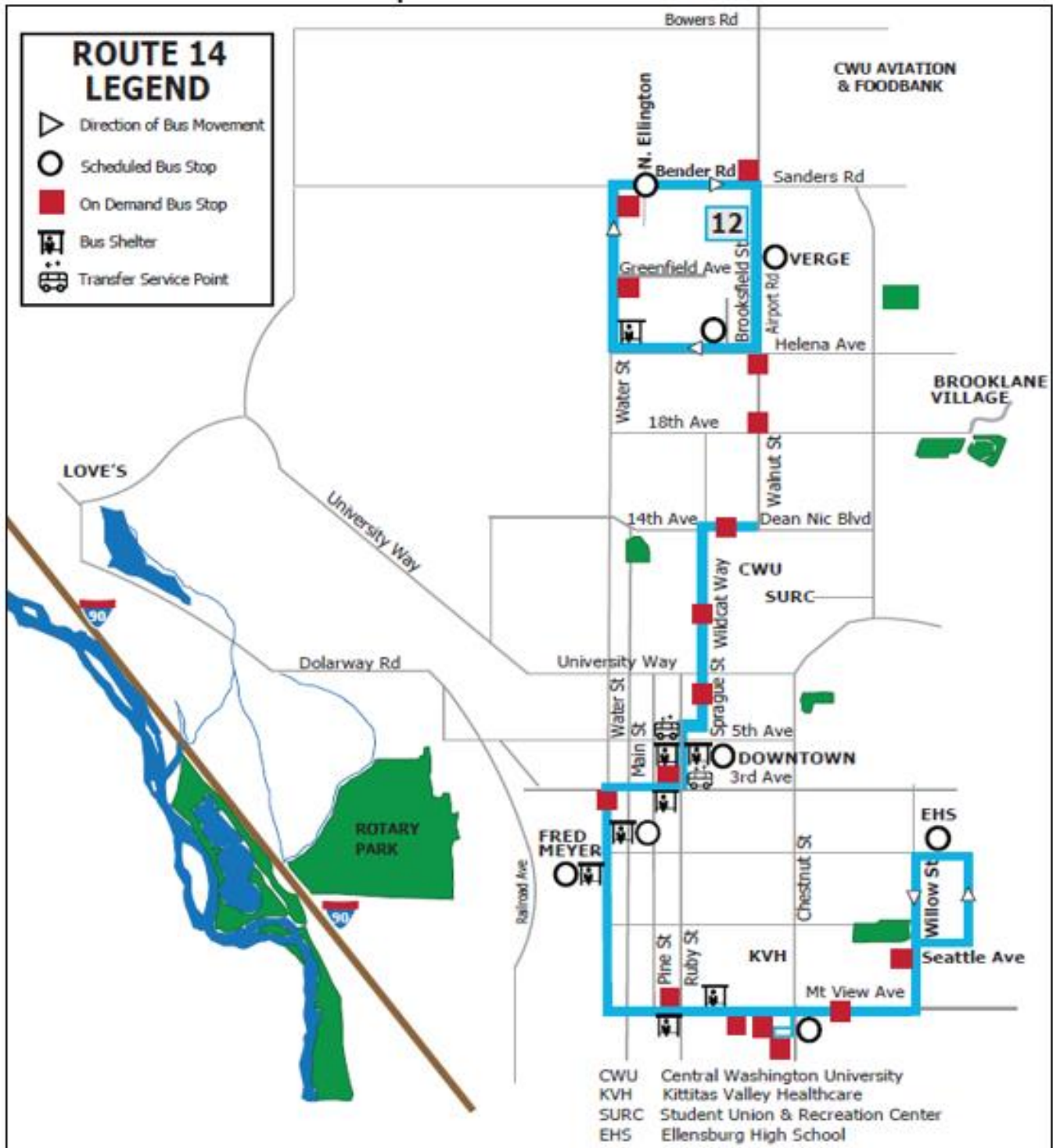


EXHIBIT D: Route 15 Service Map



EXHIBIT E: Route 16 Service Map



Fares

All Central Transit services are fare free.

Facilities

All operational equipment is owned and maintained by HopeSource located at 606 W 3rd Ave, Ellensburg, Washington 98926.

EXHIBIT H: Contractor Location



Central Transit's administrative office is located at 501 N Anderson Street, Ellensburg, Washington 98926.

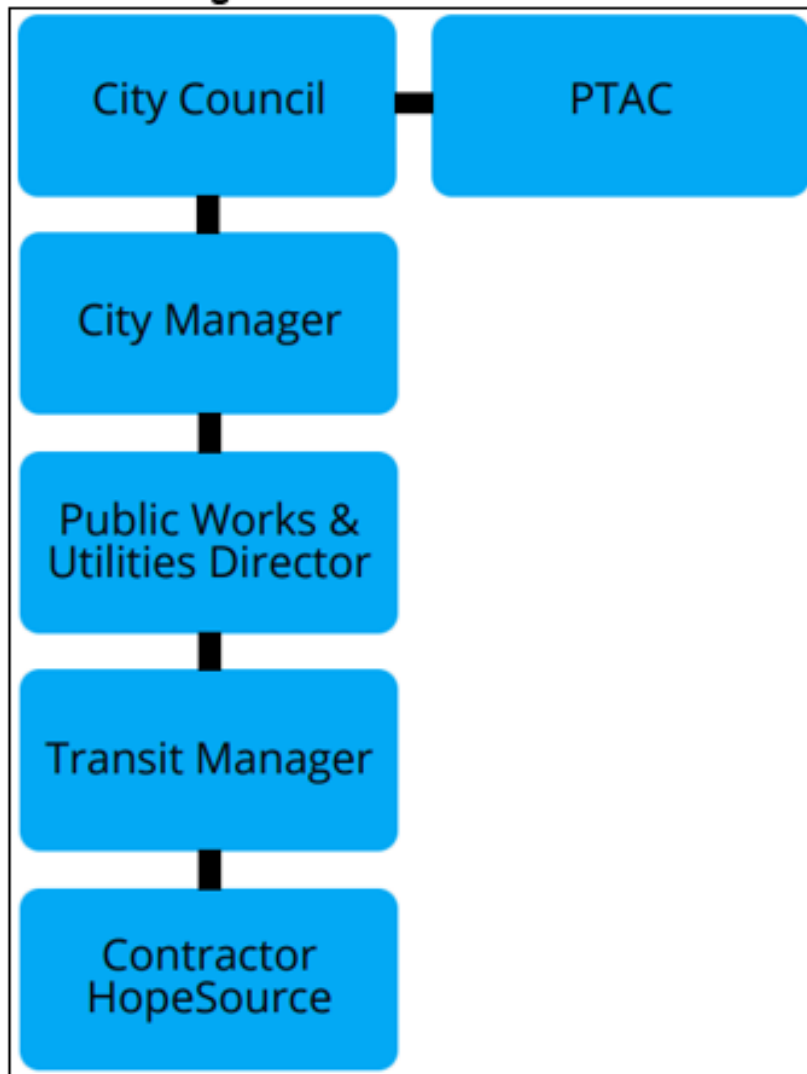
EXHIBIT I: City Hall



Organization

The Ellensburg City Council is responsible for Central Transit's operations. The Public Transit Advisory Committee provides oversight of the transit system and reports to the City Council on those and other elements as directed. The City Manager and Public Works and Utilities Director also report to the City Council on Transit activities, policies and finances. The Transit Manager oversees and manages the operational activities of the Transit System.

EXHIBIT J: Organization Chart



State and Agency Goals, Objectives and Strategies

From 2023-2028, Central Transit will focus on the five key priorities in Table 1 below. The table conveys how Central Transit's local priorities align with state goals established in the Washington State Transportation Plan.

Central Transit strives to provide safe reliable transportation services connecting passengers to employment, essential services, education and many other services which increases the quality of life in the community. To that end, Central Transit's proposed project and action strategies align our goals with the state's public transportation objectives.

The state's six policy goals are:

1. **Economic Vitality:** To promote and develop transportation systems that stimulate, support and enhance the movement of people and goods to ensure a prosperous economy.
2. **Preservation:** To maintain, preserve, and extend the life and utility of prior investments in transportation systems and services.
3. **Safety:** To provide for and improve the safety and security of all passengers and the transportation system.
4. **Mobility:** To improve the predictable movement of goods and people throughout Washington State.
5. **Environment:** To enhance Washington's quality of life through transportation investments that promote energy conservation, enhance healthy communities and protect the environment.
6. **Stewardship:** To continuously improve the quality, effectiveness, and efficiency of the transportation system.

State and Agency Goals, Objectives and Strategies

Table 1: 2023 – 2028 Goals, Objectives, Strategies and Alignment with State Goals

Goals, Objectives and Strategies	Economic Vitality	Preservation	Safety	Mobility	Environment	Stewardship
Goal 1: Improve convenience, reliability and customer service of transit system						
Objective 1.1: Evaluate Central Transit's reliability and on-time performance.						
Strategy 1.1.1: Evaluate Central Transit's fixed route reliability and on-time performance.	X			X		X
Strategy 1.1.2: Use technology to review and adjust schedules to improve on-time performance.	X			X		X
Strategy 1.1.3: Promote website for convenient transit information and data.	X			X		X
Strategy 1.1.4: Promote passenger real time information applications for easy access and reliable transit information.	X			X		X
Strategy 1.1.5: Promote SMS & IVR navigation tools for passengers with alternative transportation needs.	X	X	X	X		X
Strategy 1.1.6: Coordinate with connecting services to ensure timely connections.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Objective 1.2: Provide amenities to make riding transit more comfortable and convenient for passengers.						
Strategy 1.2.1: Add additional bus shelters and bench seating.	X	X	X	X		X
Strategy 1.2.2: Add additional ADA landings and bus turnouts.	X	X	X	X		X
Objective 1.3: Improve service accessibility for non-motorized modes.						
Strategy 1.3.1: Identify and complete a prioritized list of non-motorized access deficiencies at existing bus stops and bus shelters.	X	X	X	X		X
Strategy 1.3.2: Provide connecting services to pedestrian and biking trails.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Goal 2: Improve operational safety and security						
Objective 2.1: Review best practices and industry standards in the area of safety.						
Strategy 2.1.1: Update and implement a safety plan which meets the requirements of 49 C.F.R. Part 673.		X	X			X

Strategy 2.1.2: Ensure vehicle operator trainings occur quarterly and vehicle operators are trained to proficiency in operating the accessibility equipment, including wheelchair and passenger securements on board the vehicles.		X	X	X		X
Strategy 2.1.3: Install additional surveillance cameras at transit facilities.		X	X			X
Strategy 2.1.4: Enforce transit rules and establish a culture of excellent customer service.	X	X	X			X
Goals, Objectives and Strategies	Economic Vitality	Preservation	Safety	Mobility	Environment	Stewardship
Goal 3: Enhance the integration of transit services to support the economy and preserve the environment						
Objective 3.1: Reduce fossil fuel consumption through the consideration of alternative fuel vehicle technology.						
Strategy 3.1.1: Use the zero-emissions transition plan as a guide to transition to alternative fuel vehicles and supportive infrastructure.		X		X	X	X
Strategy 3.1.2: Support the procurement of alternative fuel transit vehicles.		X		X	X	X
Strategy 3.1.3: Support the development of a zero-emissions infrastructure.		X		X	X	X
Goal 4: Maximize and expand transit services						
Objective 4.1: Operate an efficient, cost effective transit system.						
Strategy 4.1.1: Maintain internal controls and compliance over public resources.	X	X	X	X	X	X
Strategy 4.1.2: Plan financially for future operational and capital needs.	X	X	X	X	X	
Strategy 4.2.3: Provide connections to other transportation services throughout the state.	X	X		X	X	X
Strategy 4.1.4: Strengthen coordination and integration of social services and transportation resources.	X	X		X	X	
Strategy 4.1.5: Expand transportation services within the county.	X			X	X	X
Objective 4.2: Improve equal access to public transit.						
Strategy 4.2.1: Evaluate service coverage and re-route design standards to improve access for low-income, youth, aging adults and persons with limited mobility. Improve and predict the movement of people throughout the city and state with multimodal connections and other accessible modes of transportation.	X	X		X		X

Objective 5.1 Ensure Central Transit buses and amenities are ADA accessible.						
Strategy 5.1.1: Use Central Transit's ADA Transition Plan to identify and schedule projects to remove accessibility barriers.	X	X	X	X		X
Strategy 5.1.2: Continue to provide ADA Paratransit services for those who qualify.	X	X	X	X		X
Strategy 5.1.3: Participate in community events, education and direct and indirect public outreach.	X	X	X	X		X

Table 2: 2023 – 2028 Local Performance Measurements and Targets

Performance Measure	Target
Technology Amenities	Provide additional apps and icons on the Central Transit website. Use and upgrade software to track on-time performance and reliability.
Passenger Amenities	Add additional bus shelters at active stops and vulnerable population locations. Add additional pullouts, ADA landings, seating and lighting to create convenient, safe locations for passengers to wait for the bus.
Connectivity	Improve non-motorized access deficiencies at existing bus stops and shelters.
Collisions	Zero Collisions
Alternative Fuels	Acquire a zero-emissions transition plan by mid-year 2023.. Use the plan to support the transition to alternative fuel vehicles with a supportive infrastructure.
Transit Productivity	Fixed Route: Increase passenger count per revenue hour by 10-15%. Paratransit: Increase qualified passenger ridership by 5-15%.
Amenity State of Good Repair	Maintain all transit amenities within a state of good repair.
Service Coverage	Review and adjust routes if needed to ensure demographics in service areas within 0.5 miles of a transit stop serve priority populations.
Growth	Expand or add additional routes in community growth and development areas.

Plan Consistency

Central Transit is a voting member on the 4-County Community Transportation Planning Team and participates in the planning of regional projects, policies and program decisions. Central Transit service information is submitted to the Coordinated Public Transit Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) to align with the region's goals. Planned goals and projects are then submitted to the Regional Transportation Improvement Program for inclusion in the State Transportation Improvement program. The 2022 HSTP can be found on the Quadco RTPO Website. [QUADCO RTPO \(wa.gov\)](https://www.quadco.org/rtpo)

Central Transit continues its own strategic planning process by identifying goals, objectives and work plans. Annually, the work plan is reviewed to develop projects adhering to local, state and federal guidelines.

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Central Transit's services and key priorities outlined in Table 3, are consistent with regional and state goals and policies.

- Work with other agencies and jurisdictions to coordinate a safe, accessible and integrated system of public transportation.
- Encourage citizens, students and businesses to use Central Transit as an alternative to the single-occupant vehicle.
- Support adequate funds for Central Transit services to provide services for persons with special transportation needs.
- Encourage coordination among other transit service providers as well as other modes of transportation services.

Planned Capital Expenses

Table 3: 2023-2028 Summary of Planned Capital Expenses

Year	Projects	Preservation Replacement	Expansion Improvement
Amenities and Infrastructure			
2023	Additional bus shelters with artwork, bus pullouts, ADA landings, bus stop seating and lighting. Improve service accessibility with curb cuts, sidewalks and connections to non-motorized pathways and trails. Support a zero-emissions infrastructure, and an intermodal transit station.		X
2024	Additional bus shelters with artwork, bus pullouts, ADA landings, bus stop seating and lighting. Improve service accessibility with curb cuts, sidewalks and connections to non-motorized pathways and trails. Support a zero-emissions infrastructure, and an intermodal transit station.		X
2025 - 2028	Additional bus shelters with artwork, bus turnouts, ADA landings, bus stop seating and lighting. Improve service accessibility with curb cuts, sidewalks and connections to non-motorized pathways and trails. Support a zero-emissions infrastructure, and an intermodal transit station.		X

Planned Operating Expenses

Table 4: 2023-2028 Summary of Planned Operating Projects

2023 - 2028 Projects	Reduction	Expansion Improvement
Increased safety measures to ensure the safety of vehicle operators and passengers.		X
Implement transit services in areas with high key priority populations.		X
Use technology to monitor, analyze and improve route schedules.		X
Promote Central Transit services.		X

Provide direct and indirect community outreach.		X
Adjust routes to service new housing and business developments.		X
Adjust routes to better serve passengers.		X
Update schedules and timetable brochure.		X

Multiyear Financial Plan

2023-2028 Capital Improvement Program and Financial Assumptions

Central Transit's capital improvement program includes the capital expenses identified in Table 3 above.

Retail sales tax collected in Central Transit's public transportation benefit area is the primary revenue source. Other funding sources include support from Central Washington State University, state operating grant funding, federal capital funding and other miscellaneous revenues.

Local Sales Tax revenue throughout the planning period in all years is based on recent trends.

Minimal growth in formula in federal and state operating grants throughout the planning period is 2-3 percent respectively.

Central Transit is responsible for all matching funds.

These system projects and improvements noted above are subject to change pending inputs from the City of Ellensburg's Finance Department, the Public Transit Advisory Committee, and the City Council.

Table 5: 2023-2028 Capital Improvement Estimated Financial Plan

Capital Expenditure	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Bus Stop Seating	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Bus Shelters	20,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Safety	20,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000
Zero-Emissions Transition Plan	120,000	-	-	-	-	-
Infrastructure	50,000	200,000	300,000	600,000	800,000	800,000
Artwork	10,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Total Capital Expenditures	230,000	285,000	385,000	685,000	885,000	885,000

Table 6: Operating and Maintenance Estimated Finance Plan

Operating Revenue	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
State						
2021 – 2023 PTD0307 Consolidated Operating Grant through June 30, 2023 with a 71% match	250,000	-	-	-	-	-
2023 – 2025 PTD0307 Consolidated Operating Grant through June 30, 2025 with an estimated 22% match	757,500	1,515,000	1,600,000	1,600,000	1,700,000	1,700,000
Transit Support Formula Grant	66,563	133,125	140,000	140,000	150,000	150,000
Paratransit/Special Needs Formula Grant	7,276	4,218	9,000	4,500	9,000	10,000
WSTIP	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
Transportation Services (ASCWU)	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000
Interest Income	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
Local Sales Tax	1,470,000	1,470,000	1,470,000	1,470,000	1,470,000	1,470,000
Total Revenues ** Minus Operating Grant Match	2,672,839	3,243,843	3,340,500	3,336,000	3,450,500	3,451,500

Operating Expenses	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028
Administrative	348,020	358,461	369,215	380,291	391,700	403,451
Fixed Route	1,140,000	1,200,000	1,250,000	1,300,000	1,350,000	1,400,000
Paratransit	18,000	18,000	18,500	19,000	19,500	20,000
Cabulance	47,500	52,000	55,000	58,000	61,000	64,000
Dial A Ride	82,313	82,313	82,313	83,000	83,000	83,000
Kittitas County Connector	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000	44,000
Yakima-Ellensburg Commuter	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Total Expenses	1,699,833	1,774,774	1,839,028	1,904,291	1,969,200	2,034,451

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2022 Revenues and Expenses

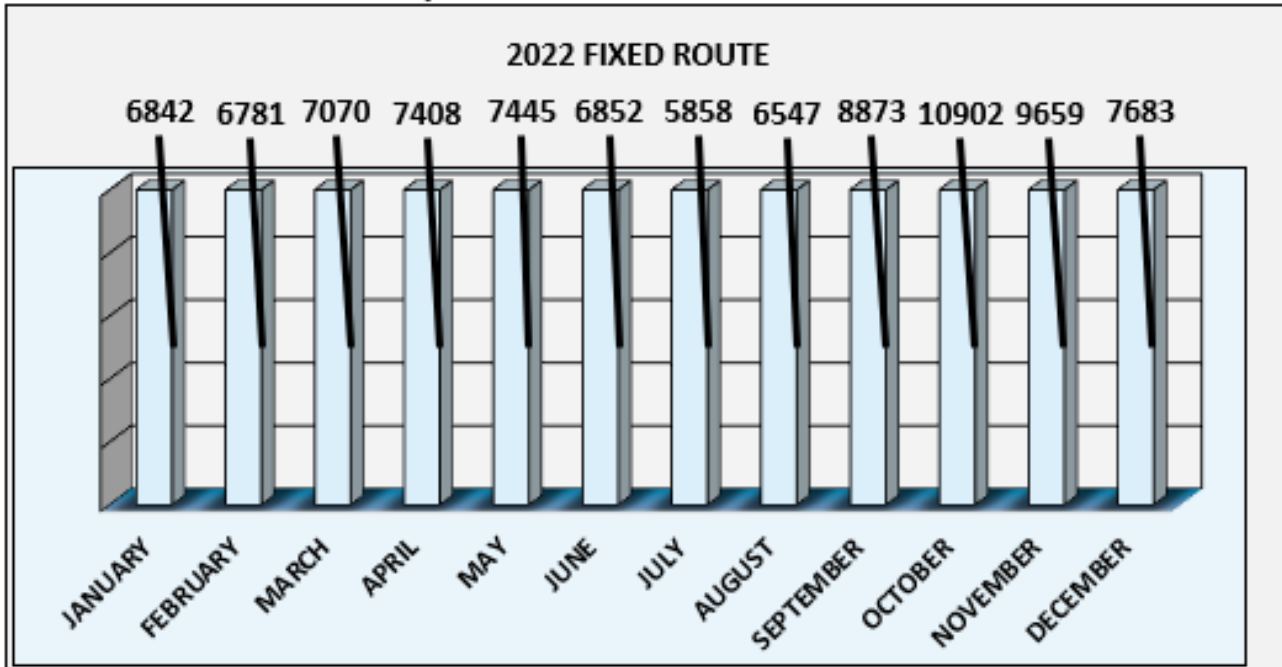
Ellensburg Public Transit Revenues thru 12-31-22	2022 Total
Retail Sales Tax .02% for Public Transit	1,468,428
Special Transportation Need Grant	1,603
WSDOT Consolidated Grant with a 71% Match	265,599
ARPA General Grant	142,983
WSDOT CRRSAA	629,644
WSTIP – Risk Management Grant	2,500
ASCWU Revenue	75,000
Interest Income	43,620
Total Revenues	2,629,377

Central Transit public Transit Expenditures thru 12-31-22	2022 Total
Total Administrative	348,020
Fixed Route	1,154,919
ADA Paratransit / On Demand Service	16,643
Cabulance	43,321
Yakima Transit Yakima-Ellensburg Commuter Service	20,000
HopeSource Dial A Ride service	82,813
HopeSource Kittitas County Connector service	44,000
Total Expenditures	1,709,716

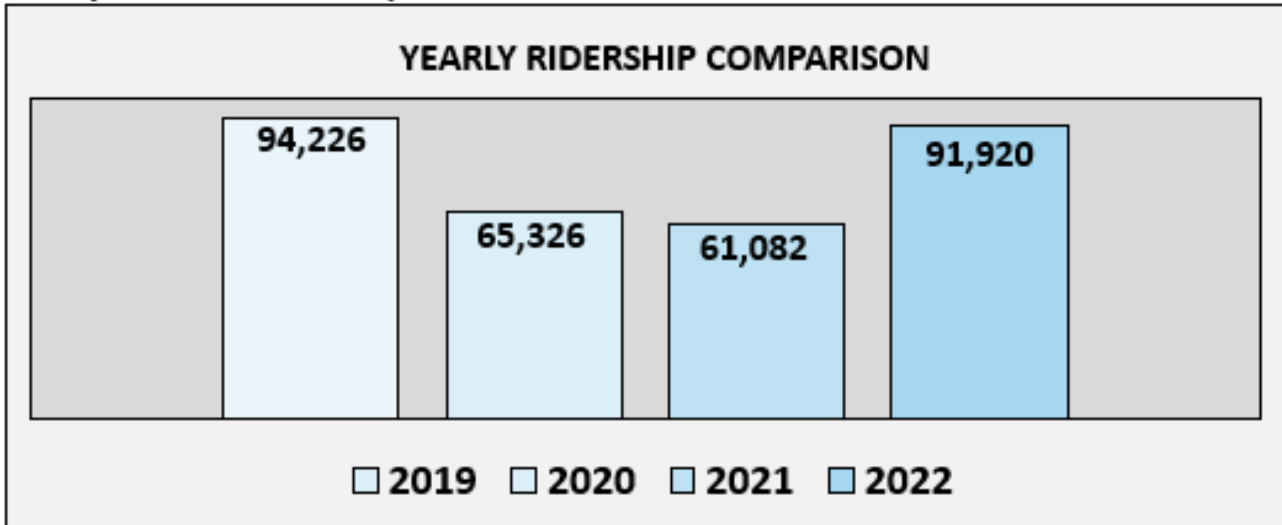
2022 Central Transit Ridership Stats

SERVICE	1-WAY BOARDINGS	REVENUE MILES	REVENUE HOURS	GALLONS OF FUEL	COLLISIONS	INJURIES
Fixed Route	91,920	237,401	21,112	33,117	0	0
Paratransit	262	812	202	251	0	0
Cabulance	133	248	214	87	0	0
Total	92,315	238,461	21,528	33,455	0	0
Supported HopeSource Services						
Dial A Ride	12,326	105,344	7,808	12,497	0	0
KCC	5,357	88,242	4,184	8,756	0	0
Total	17,683	193,586	11,992	21,253	0	0
Supported Yakima Transit Service						
Yakima-Ellensburg Commuter	18,375	-	-	-	-	-
Total	18,375					

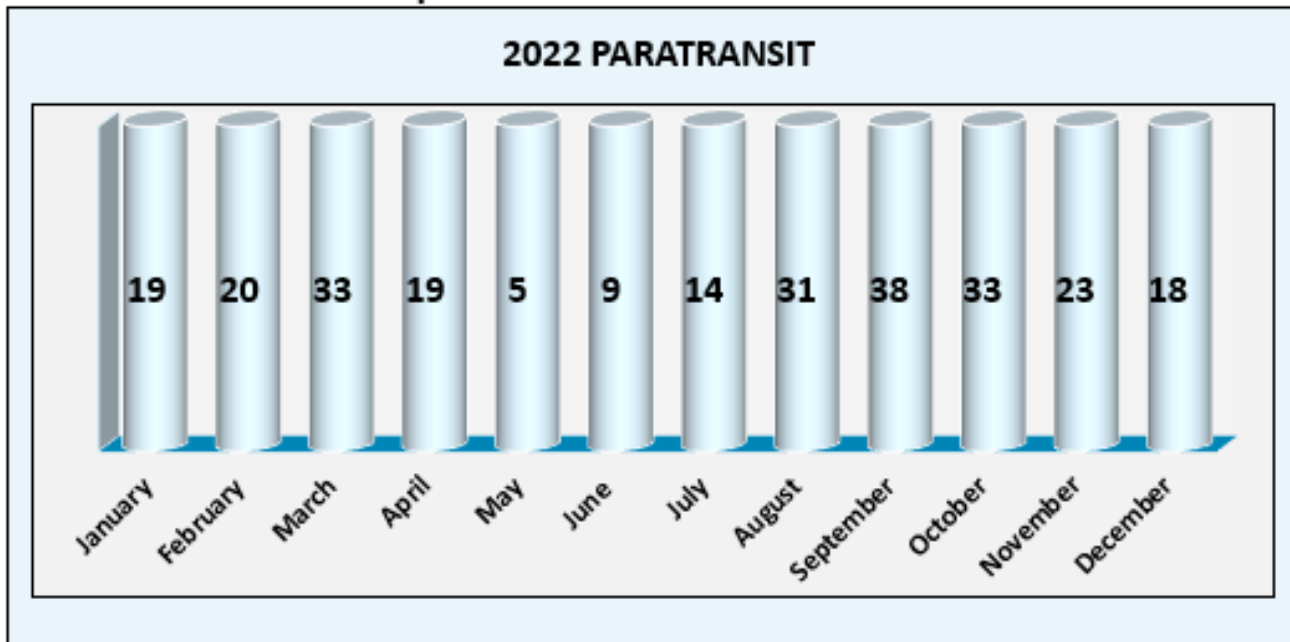
2022 Fixed Route Ridership



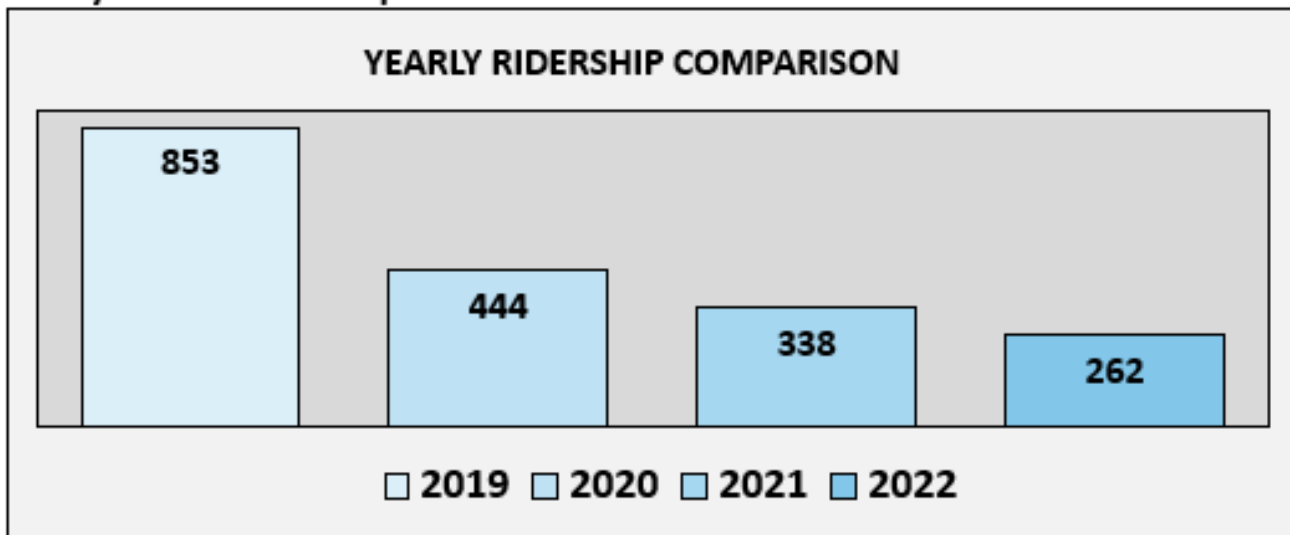
Yearly Fixed Route Comparison



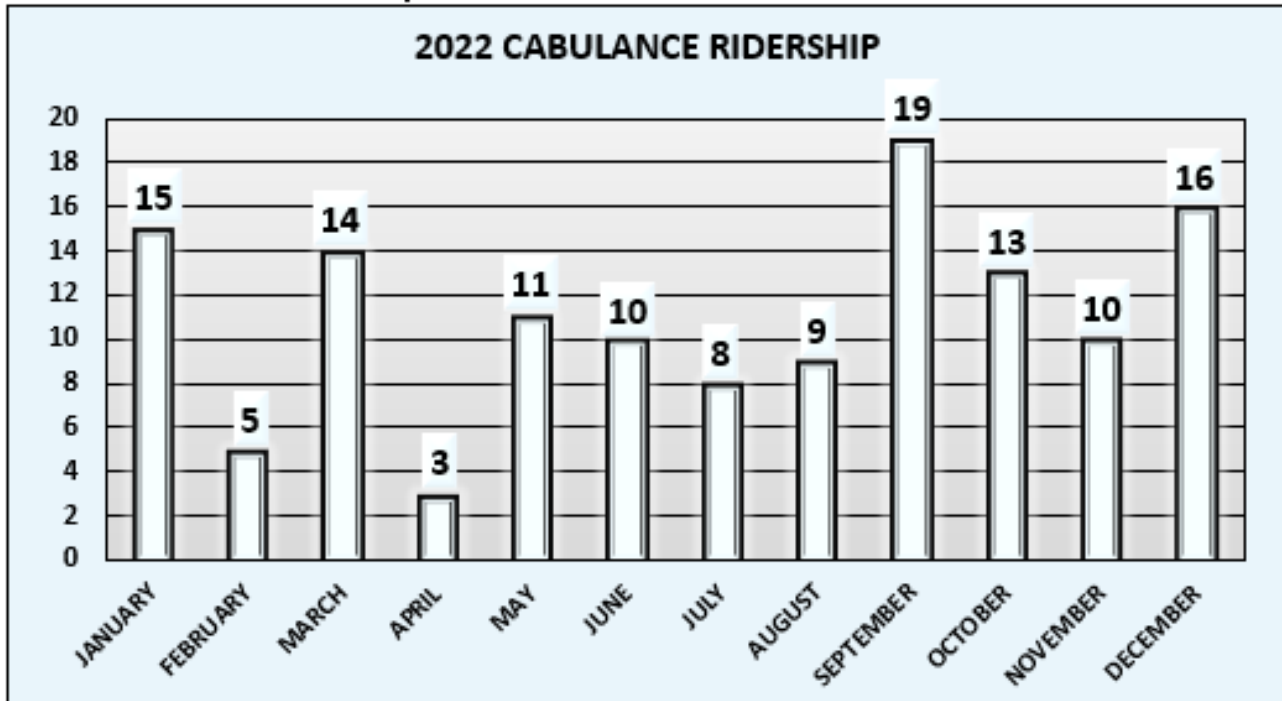
2022 Paratransit Ridership



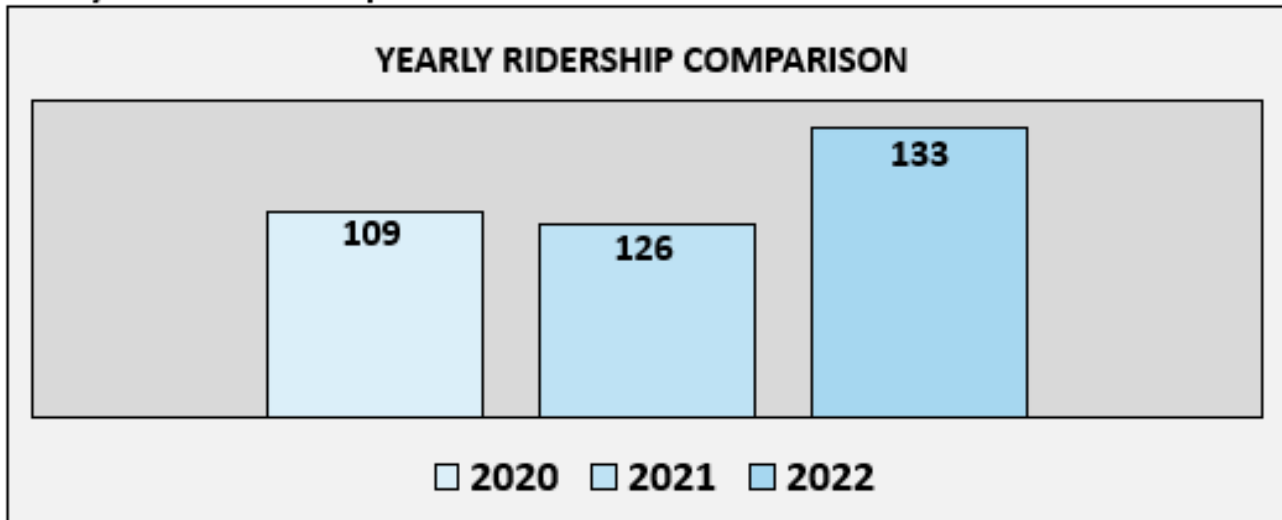
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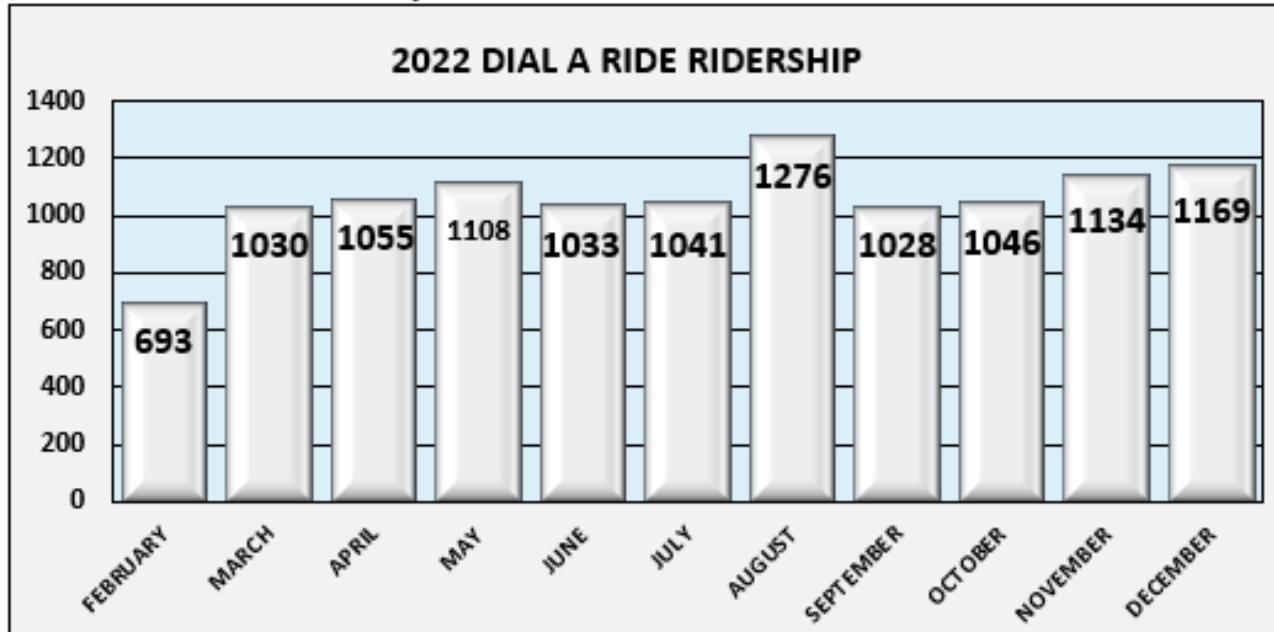
2022 Cabulance Ridership



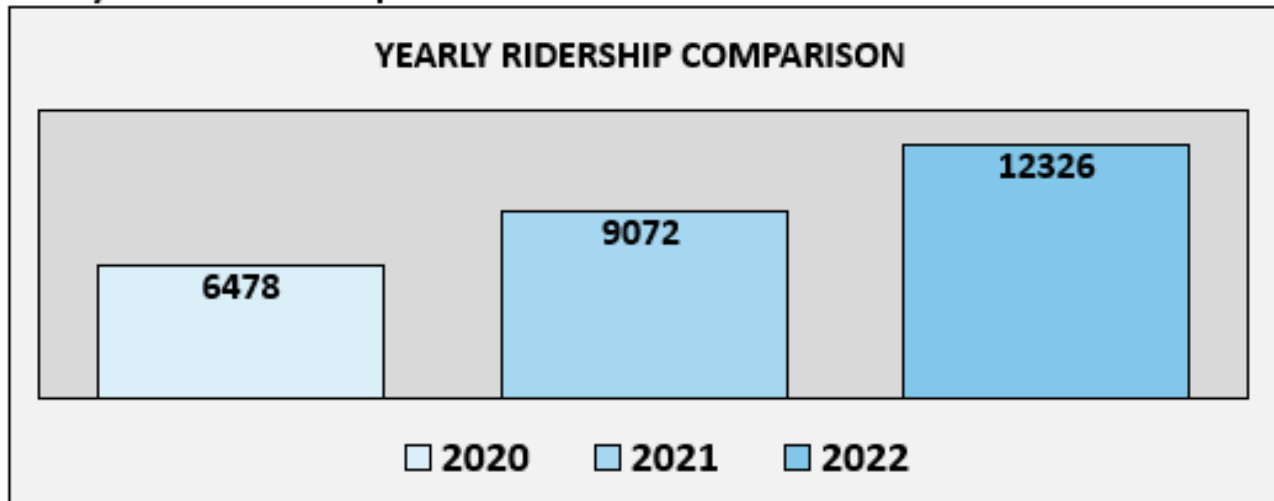
Yearly Cabulance Comparison



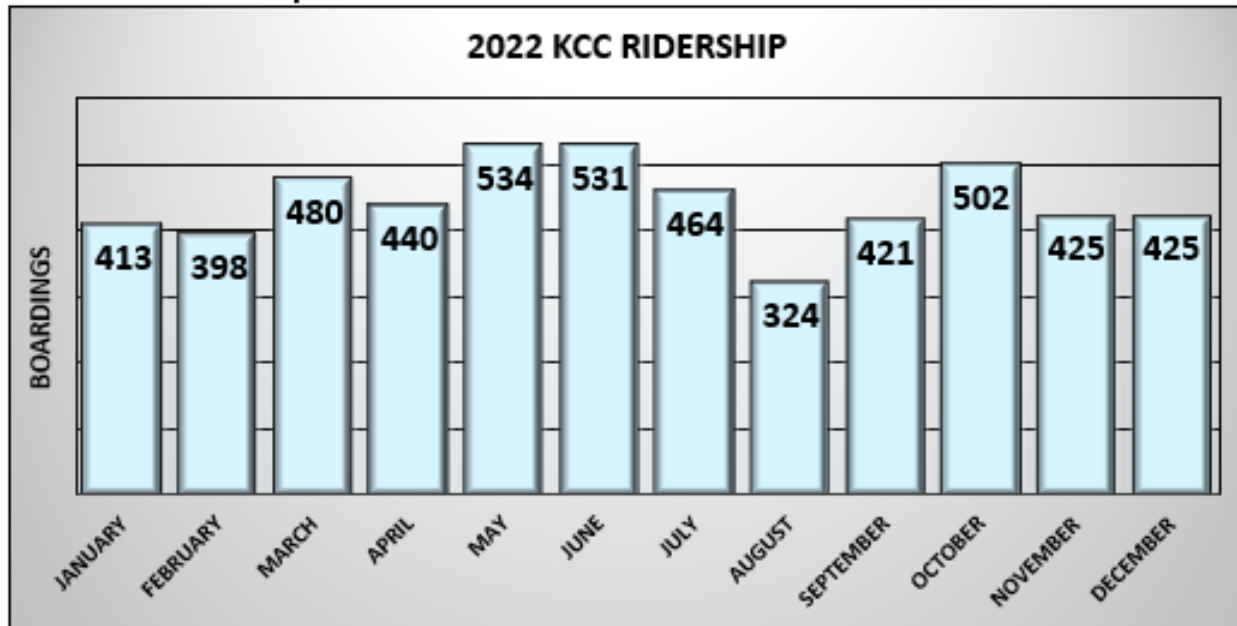
2022 Dial A Ride Ridership



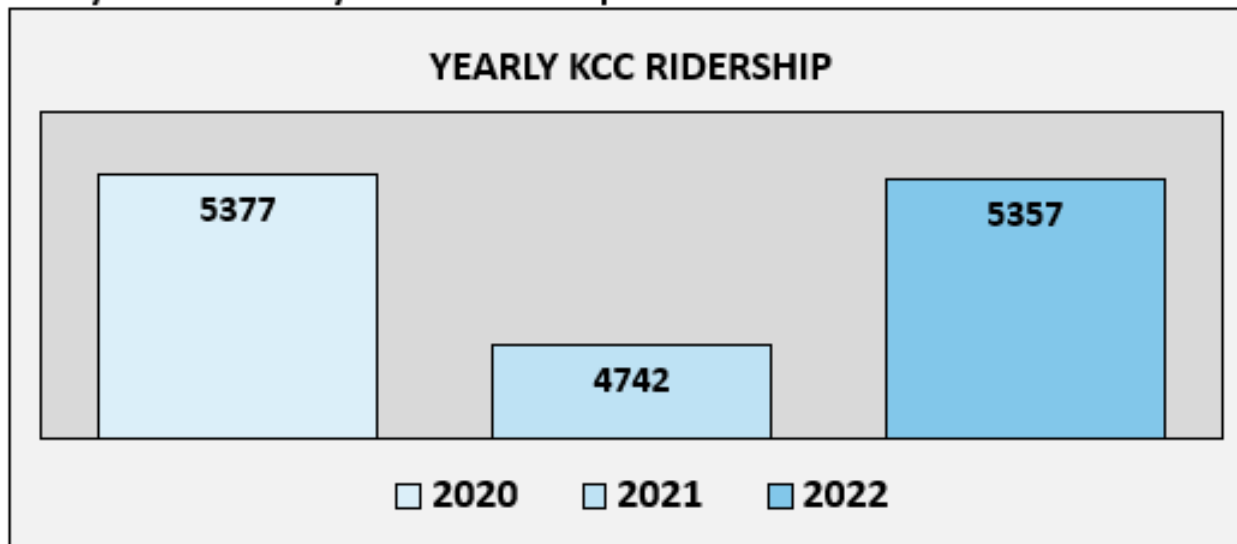
Yearly Dial A Ride Comparison



2022 KCC Ridership



Yearly Kittitas County Connector Comparison





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2022 Transportation Improvements

ADA curb cuts and ramp upgrades.
Sidewalk repairs and improvements.
New bus shelter with artwork.
New bus pullout.
Bus shelter artwork installed.
Additional bench seating.
Added On-Time Performance module to Central Transit's Technology Platform.
Added Run Times module to Central Transit's Technology Platform.
Added one new bus stop to Route 15.
Fixed Route ridership recovered to Pre-COVID status.



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5.A Grant Award Letters



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June 8, 2023

Ryan Lyyski
City of Ellensburg
501 N Anderson St
Ellensburg, WA 98926-3147

Subject: 2023-2025 Consolidated Grant Program Award

Dear Ryan Lyyski:

Congratulations! The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is pleased to provide your organization's Consolidated Grant Program award for the 2023-2025 biennium. Listed in the table below is your funded project, contingent upon availability of federal funding:

Project	Award 2023-2025	Projected 2025-2027
Central Transit's Fixed Route and ADA Demand Response Operations.	\$3,030,000	\$0

Please note that funds are reimbursable for grant-supported activities beginning July 1, 2023. Project expenditures accrued prior to this date may not be charged to your award.

Primary point of contact

Olivia Meza, community liaison, is your primary WSDOT contact, who will assist you with all aspects of your project. You can reach Olivia at olivia.meza@wsdot.wa.gov or 509-303-0016 if you have questions or concerns.

Additional information

If you are unable to successfully implement your project, your matching-funds sources are no longer available, or you will be unable to meet your application's pledged match, please contact your Community Liaison.

You will be using the Grants Management System (GMS) to manage your grant(s). If you have questions regarding the GMS, contact PTDGMSsupport@wsdot.wa.gov or 360-705-7111.

We appreciate the valuable services your agency provides. We look forward to finalizing your grant agreement and funding your project. Again, congratulations!



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June 13, 2023

Ryan Lyyski
Central Transit
501 N Anderson St
Ellensburg, WA 98926-3147

Subject: 2023-2025 Paratransit/Special Needs formula grant distribution

Dear Ryan Lyyski:

Congratulations! We are pleased to distribute your organization's Paratransit/Special Needs formula grant for the 2023-2025 biennium.

The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is distributing state Paratransit/Special Needs grant funding to 31 transit agencies across the state to assist in sustaining and expanding services to people with disabilities, seniors, and children.

Program	Award
Paratransit/Special Needs formula distribution for 2023-2025	\$8,436

WSDOT calculated your Paratransit/Special Needs formula distribution using data points from the most recent Summary of Public Transportation.

Paratransit/Special Needs formula funds are reimbursable for grant-related activities beginning July 1, 2023. Project expenditures accrued prior to this date may not be charged to your award.

Olivia Meza, community liaison, is your primary WSDOT contact, who will assist you with all aspects of your project. You can reach Olivia at olivia.meza@wsdot.wa.gov or 509-303-0016 should you have questions or concerns.

We look forward to finalizing your grant agreement and funding your project so that you can provide valuable services in your community. Again, congratulations!



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June 21, 2023

Ryan Lyyski
City of Ellensburg
501 N Anderson St
Ellensburg, WA 98926-3147

Subject: 2023-2025 WSDOT Transit Support formula grant award

Dear Ryan Lyyski:

Congratulations! The Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) is pleased to announce your organization's Transit Support formula grant award for the 2023-2025 biennium.

Program	July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2025
Transit Support Grant, 2023-2025 budget	\$266,251

Funds are reimbursable for grant-related activities beginning July 1, 2023. Project expenditures accrued prior to this date may not be charged to your award.

As a condition of these new funds, transit agencies must:

- Maintain a zero-fare policy for all modes provided by the agency, including paratransit, for passengers 18 years of age and younger.
- Report trips taken under this grant. This requirement includes total trips accomplished as the result of funding from the Transit Support grant and the number of trips taken by riders 18 years of age and younger.
- Maintain or increase their local sales tax authority on or after Jan. 1, 2022, and may not delay or suspend the collection of voter-approved sales taxes that were approved on or before Jan. 1, 2022, in order to qualify for the grants.

Transit Support grant funding has specific focus areas from the Legislature and the Climate Commitment Act. This includes tracking service to vulnerable populations in overburdened

6.A JUNE 2023 MINUTES

City of Ellensburg
Date & Time of Meeting
Place of Meeting

Minutes of PTAC Meeting
June 20, 2023 3:30 PM
Hybrid Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll Call Present: David Miller, Sawyer Stearns, Christopher King, Amy Spitznas, Joey Bryant

Roll Call Absent: Jim Hurson (Excused)

Also Present: Keiko Walsh - HopeSource

2. Approval of Agenda

- Motion by Joey Bryant to approve the PTAC Meeting Agenda.
Motion Affirmed by all.

3. Ridership Stats

- May 2023 Ridership stats were presented.

4. Agenda Items

- PTAC members recommended the Amendment No. 1 to the Agreement between Hearthstone and the City of Ellensburg for Cabulance Service be forwarded to the City Council for approval.
Motion by Joey Bryant. **Motion Affirmed by all.**

5. Transit Marketing Updates

- A Central Transit Bus will be at the June 21, 2023 Touch a Truck event.

6. Transit Updates

- Central Transit has 4 consent agenda items on the City County Agenda June 20, 2022.
- The updated runtimes and additional time stops were shared.
- Information regarding the DSHS Bus Shelter was shared including where the information is posted.
- Information regarding the completed Zero Emissions Transition Plan was shared.

7. Approval of Minutes

- Motion by Joey Bryant to approve the May 16, 2023 PTAC Minutes.



PUBLIC TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING



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Motion Affirmed by all.

10. Next PTAC Meeting:

The next regular PTAC meeting will be held on July 18, 2023

11. Adjournment:

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 PM

Betsy Dunbar

Drafted: June 22, 2023

Approved: July -, 2023

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