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## **New Commuter Services Website Offers Mobile-Friendly Ride-matching and Other Tools and Services**

**YORK, Pa. (July 23, 2013)** – Commuter Services of Pennsylvania has launched a redesigned, mobile-enabled website to help individuals find information specific to area commuting options easily and quickly from any device. In addition to the enhanced layout, the website also offers a way to share information and resources with friends through social media or email.

“Commuter Services is committed to the ongoing education of current commuters specific to the options available for utilizing alternative modes of transportation (carpool, vanpool, transit, bike, walk) and continues to facilitate outreach to potential commuters by providing easy access to information and resources encouraging the use of these modes within the region,” said Matt Boyer, Executive Director of Commuter Services of Pennsylvania. “The redesigned website provides a number of user friendly benefits for employers and commuters alike and serves as a distribution point for information on all the commuting options available in the region.”

Within the new website, users are able to view potential carpool partners using the ride-matching software and obtain contact information for these participants for the purpose of establishing carpool matches and travel routes. Commuters may also utilize an interactive map to quickly obtain directions to and from park-and-ride locations allowing additional travel and commuting options. A “Live Chat” feature provides a real-time connection to a customer service specialist to answer questions instantaneously. The website also includes bus schedule links and detailed information on the Emergency Ride Home program in case of emergencies for participating commuters.

Commuters looking to learn more about employer partners currently participating with Commuter Services programs and/or seeking to identify the community partners who support Commuter Services may view a full list of partners on the new website. In addition, commuters will find information on a variety of commuting options available in the nine county service region, as well as links to regional transit partners.

Employers are strongly encouraged to visit the website to learn about how they can direct existing employees to the free services available from Commuter Services and utilize the transportation planning options to entice new employees to join to their workforce. Through the utilization of Commuter Services programs employers will find employees become better at time management skills, reduce stress and increase productivity, reduce the demand for parking spaces, and find additional time to complete work related tasks while commuting back and forth to the workplace.

Visit the new website at [www.PaCommuterServices.org](http://www.PaCommuterServices.org).

Connect with Commuter Services on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/CommuterServicesPA](http://www.facebook.com/CommuterServicesPA)) and on Twitter ([twitter.com/SaveOnCommutePA](http://twitter.com/SaveOnCommutePA)).

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Funding is provided by the Federal Highway Administration through PennDOT and the region's metropolitan and rural planning organizations.

Commuter Services board includes transit agencies, planning organizations and chambers:

- Harrisburg Regional Chamber; the Gettysburg Adams, Lebanon Valley, Greater Chambersburg Chambers of Commerce, and the York County Economic Alliance; Lancaster and Greater Reading Chambers of Commerce & Industry;
- Berks Area Regional Transportation Authority (BARTA), Lebanon Transit (LT); Red Rose Transit Authority (RRTA, Lancaster); York Adams Transportation Authority (rabbittransit); Capital Area Transit (CAT, Cumberland-Dauphin-Harrisburg);
- Adams, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon, Reading and York Area Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs); Harrisburg MPO (Cumberland, Dauphin and Perry counties).

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