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**Seventh Annual ‘Try Transit’ Month Removes Over 144,000
Vehicle Miles From The Road**

*Local commuters were encouraged to try public transportation during
the month of September*

YORK, Pa. (November 16, 2017) – Commuter Services of Pennsylvania launched its seventh annual ‘Try Transit’ month in September 2017, encouraging local commuters to try bus or rail transportation options to travel to work rather than driving alone. During this one month initiative, a total of 202 PA residents participated in the challenge and logged their transit trips. Commuters representing twenty two counties logged a total of 144,885 miles traveled by bus or train instead of driving alone in an automobile.

To participate, commuters were asked to try local bus services or Amtrak, log the miles traveled, and report their totals to Commuter Services at the end of the month. By logging the mileage, commuters were entered to win a Kindle Fire or a pair of round-trip Amtrak coach class tickets on the Amtrak® Keystone Service® valid from Harrisburg to New York City.

Patricia Doherty of Berks County was the randomly selected grand prize winner and received a Kindle Fire. Doherty opted to ride BARTA.

Constance Luttermoser of Lancaster County and Michael Staub of York County each won a pair of round-trip Amtrak coach class tickets on the Amtrak® Keystone Service® valid from Harrisburg to New York City.

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

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

- Capital Area Transit, Lebanon Transit, Monroe County Transportation Authority, Schuylkill County Transportation System, South Central Transit Authority and Central Pennsylvania Transportation Authority.
- Adams, Franklin, Harrisburg (Cumberland, Dauphin and Perry counties), Lancaster, Lebanon, NEPA (Schuylkill, Carbon, Monroe and Pike counties), Reading and York MPOs.
- The Carbon Chamber & Economic Development, the Harrisburg Regional Chamber & CREDC; the Gettysburg Adams, Greater Chambersburg and Lebanon Valley Chambers of Commerce; Greater Reading Chamber and Economic Development Corporation (GRCEDC), Lancaster Chamber of Commerce & Industry and the York County Economic Alliance.