GREATER METRO TRANSIT STUDY - GROWING OUR TRANSIT SYSTEM STRENGTHEN INTERMODAL CONNECTIONS

Many people use more than one mode of transportation to get from one place to another. As mobility manager for Rhode Island, RIPTA is dedicated to coordinating efforts to provide a seamless experience for passengers using multiple forms of transportation, whether it is by car, bus, train, plane, bike or feet.



Getting to the right place means linking to the right systems. RIPTA can effectively build its system by connecting to the MBTA commuter rail at South Attleboro and Warwick, the T.F. Green Airport, and the Amtrak station in Providence.

LINKING TRANSIT MAKES IT STRONGER

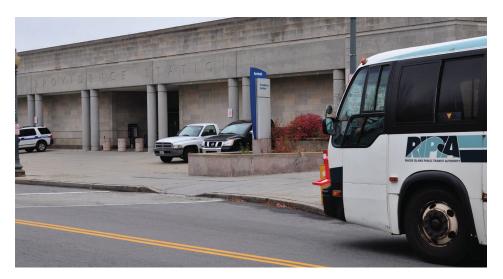
Airports, regional and commuter rail, buses, bicycles and pedestrian routes all work together to form a complete public transit system. While Rhode Island has all of these at work, RIPTA can be the mobility manager that coordinates with other transit providers to create a seamless experience for riders. In order to create a truly multimodal transportation system, RIPTA must implement a series of improvements to enhance existing and upcoming commuter rail services, as well as bicycle and pedestrian connections. RIPTA proposes three improvements over the next five years. The first is the creation of a bus transfer to serve the South Attleboro MBTA station. This project would extend existing routes from downtown Pawtucket and East Providence via Newport Avenue to a new stop







within walking distance of the station. The second improvement would offer new and reconfigured routes to connect CCRI, the Warwick Mall, the Centre of New England, the Amgen headquarters, as well as local Warwick, East Greenwich and Scituate neighborhoods to the new Warwick Intermodal Station at T.F. Green Airport. Finally, RIPTA would provide additional passenger amenities at the Providence Amtrak Station including more visible bus stops, system maps, real-time bus arrival information, public art and fare vending for RIPTA, MBTA and Amtrak riders. This effort would also facilitate schedule and fare coordination between transit agencies, Amtrak and private intercity bus operators. Additionally, RIPTA would introduce improved bike and pedestrian connections and amenities throughout its system. These would include improved wayfinding, bicycle parking, and higher capacity racks on buses.



MAP OF WARWICK AND T.F. GREEN CONNECTIONS



RIPTA improvements would connect the buses to T.F. Green and the new Warwick MBTA stop.

By connecting to air, rail, bicycle and pedestrian networks, RIPTA will offer local, regional and global travel.







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