



Ulster County 2021 Climate Smart Communities Recertification Documentation

Action 6.12: Implement Strategies That Increase Public Transit Ridership and Alternative Transport Modes

4 POINTS DOCUMENTED

Background: Ulster County maintains multiple routes that serve as a shuttle system to regional trains. Ulster County Area Transit (UCAT) also coordinates with MTA Metro-North to expand access to public transit within the region (MTA publishes UCAT schedules on their "Connecting Services" page, actively promoting the availability of the UCAT transit link routes.

The Kingston-Poughkeepsie Link (KPL) route connects multiple locations in the City of Kingston with the Poughkeepsie MTA Metro-North railroad station, 7 days/week.

The Ulster-Poughkeepsie Link (UPL) route connects multiple locations starting in the Town or Rosendale and the Town and Village of New Paltz with the Poughkeepsie MTA Metro-North railroad station, 7 days/week.

Real-time bus location information is available via the UCAT RiderPortal website (<https://ucat.rider.peaktransit.com/>) and the UCAT mobile application.

Documentation:

- UCAT Bus Schedules
Available here: <https://ulstercountyny.gov/ucat/bus-schedules>
- Metro North Connecting Services page
Available here: <http://web.mta.info/mnr/html/connectingservice.htm>
- MTA Metro-North Ulster-Poughkeepsie LINK schedule
Available here: http://web.mta.info/mnr/html/raillink/schedules/Ulster_Poughkeepsie_9-19.pdf

BLUE ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON PLAZA -- DOWNTOWN KINGSTON

Kingston Plaza	630	730	830	930	1030	1230	130	230	330	430	530
Academy Green	632	732	832	932	1032	1232	132	232	332	432	532
Restorative Justice Center	635	735	835	935	1035	1235	135	235	335	435	535
Broadway/Cedar	638	738	838	938	1038	1238	138	238	338	438	538
Pine Grove/YMCA	639	739	839	939	1039	1239	139	239	339	439	539
Mary's Ave: Health Alliance & SUNY Ulster	642	742	842	942	1042	1242	142	242	342	442	542
Yosman Towers/Broadway	645	745	845	945	1045	1245	145	245	345	445	545
Wurt & Abeel St.	647	747	847	947	1047	1247	147	247	347	447	547
PonckHockie: Abruyn/E.Union	650	750	850	950	1050	1250	150	250	350	450	550
PonckHockie: Lindsley/E.Union	652	752	852	952	1052	1252	152	252	352	452	552
Garraghan Dr. Across from City Court	655	755	855	955	1055	1255	155	255	355	455	555
Murray St. at Rondout Gardens	658	758	858	958	1058	1258	158	258	358	458	558
E. Chester St & Broadway	708	808	908	1008	1108	108	208	308	408	508	608
Kingston Hospital	710	810	910	1010	1110	110	210	310	410	510	610
Broadway & Dederick St.	712	812	912	1012	1112	112	212	312	412	512	612
Broadway & Cornell	715	815	915	1015	1115	115	215	315	415	515	615
Governor Clinton	720	820	920	1020	1120	120	220	320	420	520	620
Kingston Plaza	725	825	925	1025	1125	125	225	325	425	525	625

UE ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON -- SUNY ULSTER -- ELLENVILLE									
Golden Hill	620	-	-	-	-	220	-	-	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	630	730	930	1130	130	230	330	530	900
Hurley: Main St @ Wynkoop Rd	-	737	937	1137	137	237	337	537	-
Rt 209 @ Cottekill Rd	-	752	952	1152	152	252	352	552	-
SUNY Ulster	-	800	1000	1200	200	300	400	600	-
Stone Ridge: Rt 209 @ Rt. 213	645	802	1002	1202	202	302	402	602	915
Accord: Rt 209 @ Main St	653	812	1012	1212	212	312	412	612	923
Kerhonkson: Rt 209 @ Stewarts	658	817	1017	1217	217	317	417	617	928
Napanoch Walmart	-	825	1025	1225	225	325	425	625	-
Healthy Way	-	829	1029	1229	229	329	429	629	-
Shoprite	-	830	1030	1230	230	330	430	630	-
Ellenville: Liberty Sq @ Canal St	720	845	1045	1245	245	345	445	645	940
EU ROUTE WEEKDAY: ELLENVILLE -- SUNY ULSTER -- KINGSTON									
Ellenville: Liberty Sq @ Canal St	630	730	900	1100	100	300	400	745	945
Shoprite	-	-	909	1109	109	309	409	-	-
Healthy Way	-	-	910	1110	110	310	410	-	-
Napanoch Walmart	-	745	915	1115	115	315	415	800	-
Kerhonkson: Rt 209 @ Stewarts	650	755	925	1125	125	325	425	810	1005
Accord: Rt 209 @ Main St	655	800	930	1130	130	330	430	815	1010
Stone Ridge: Rt 209 @ Rt. 213	705	810	940	1140	140	340	440	825	1020
SUNY Ulster	-	830	1000	1200	200	400	500	-	-
Rt 209 @ Cottekill Rd	708	833	1003	1203	203	403	503	828	1023
Hurley: Main St @ Wynkoop Rd	720	845	1015	1215	215	415	515	848	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	725	900	1020	1220	220	420	520	853	1035
Golden Hill	-	-	-	-	-	440	-	-	1040

KS ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON -- MALL AREA -- SAUGERTIES

Golden Hill	520	620	-	-	-	-	-	-	220	320	-	-	-	-	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	530	630	730	830	930	1030	1230	130	230	330	430	530	700	800	900
DSS/Family Court (* curbside pickup/dropoff)	-	-	740	840	940	1040	1240	140	240	340	440	540	710*	810*	910*
Chambers	-	-	745	845	945	1045	1245	145	245	345	445	-	-	-	-
Tech City (Connect to Mall bus)	-	-	800	900	1000	1100	100	200	300	400	500	-	-	-	-
Mall Area (by request only)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	550	720	820	920
Grant Ave @ North East Center	-	-	802	902	1002	1102	102	202	302	402	502	-	-	-	-
9W & Grant Ave	603	703	803	903	1003	1103	103	203	303	403	503	603	733	833	933
Saugerties: 9w/32	610	710	813	913	1013	1113	113	213	313	413	513	613	743	843	943
The Mill	-	-	815	915	1015	1115	115	215	315	415	515	-	-	-	-
West Bridge St @ Main St.	620	720	820	920	1020	1120	120	220	320	420	520	620	750	850	-
Saugerties Post Office	622	722	822	922	1022	1222	122	222	322	422	522	622	752	852	-
Washington Ave @ Main St	624	724	824	924	1024	1224	124	224	324	424	524	624	-	-	-
Price Chopper	-	-	827	927	1027	1127	127	227	327	427	527	627	-	-	-

KS ROUTE WEEKDAY: SAUGERTIES -- MALL AREA -- KINGSTON

Saugerties Post Office	622	722	830	930	1030	1230	130	230	330	430	530	700	800	900	-
Washington Ave @ Main St	624	724	832	932	1032	1232	132	232	332	432	532	702	802	902	-
West Bridge St @ Main St.	633	733	833	933	1033	1233	133	233	333	433	533	703	803	903	-
The Mill	-	-	835	935	1035	1235	135	235	335	435	535	-	-	-	-
9w/32	638	738	838	938	1038	1238	138	238	338	438	538	708	808	908	945
9W & Grant Ave	648	748	848	948	1048	1248	148	248	348	448	548	718	818	918	955
Grant Ave @ North East Center	649	749	849	949	1049	1249	149	249	349	449	-	-	-	-	-
Mall Connect @ Tech City	700	800	900	1000	1100	100	200	300	400	500	-	-	-	-	-
Mall Area (by request only)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	550	720	820	920	-
Chambers	-	-	905	1005	1105	105	205	305	405	505	-	-	-	-	-
DSS/Family Court	-	-	910	1010	1110	110	210	310	410	510	610	740	840	940	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	720	820	920	1020	1120	120	220	320	420	520	620	750	850	950	1010
Golden Hill	-	-	-	-	-	-	225	325	-	-	-	-	-	-	1015

9PM EXPRESS RUN FROM KINGSTON TURNS AROUND AT SIMMONS PLAZA IN SAUGERTIES

KPL ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON - TRAIN STATION								
Golden Hill	520	-	-	1220	-	-	-	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	530	735	1035	1235	135	335	635	915
Broadway @ Kingston Hospital	535	740	1040	1240	140	340	640	920
Garraghan Dr @ Police Station	540	745	1045	1245	145	345	645	925
Port Ewen: 9W @ BOCES	550	755	1055	1255	155	355	655	935
Highland Park & Ride	605	810	1110	110	210	410	710	-
Milton Rd @ Vineyard Ave	607	812	1112	112	212	412	712	-
Rt. 9W @ Haviland-Tillson Rd	608	813	1113	113	213	413	713	-
Poughkeepsie Train Station	620	830	1130	130	230	430	730	955
Main & Market (Drop offs only by request)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Train Departure	652	852	1152	152	246	448	754	1148
Train Arrival	849	1049	149	349	446	653	953	202
KPL ROUTE WEEKDAY: TRAIN STATION - KINGSTON								
Train Departure	-	645	945	1145	1245	245	545	745
Train Arrival	-	845	1148	142	242	442	742	942
Poughkeepsie Train Station	630	915	1215	215	300	515	815	955
Rt. 9W @ Haviland-Tillson Rd	640	925	1225	225	-	525	825	-
Milton Rd @ Vineyard Ave	642	927	1227	227	-	527	827	-
Highland Park & Ride	655	940	1240	240	-	540	840	-
Port Ewen: 9W @ BOCES	710	955	1255	255	320	555	855	1015
Garraghan Dr @ Police Station	715	1000	100	300	325	600	900	1020
Broadway @ Kingston Hospital	717	1002	102	302	327	602	902	1022
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	730	1015	115	315	335	615	915	1030
Golden Hill	-	-	-	-	340	-	-	1035

MALL LOOP WEEKDAY: TOWN OF ULSTER SHOPPING CENTERS

Golden Hill	750	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sawkill Rd. at Barbarossa Ln.	755	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Tech City	800	900	1000	1100	100	200	300	400	500	-	-	-	-	
Mall Area by request											550	720	820	920
Caremount Medical	803	903	1003	1103*	103	203	303	403	503	**	**	**	**	
Walmart	808	908	1008	1108*	108	208	308	408	508	**	**	**	**	
V.A. Clinic (By request only)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Ollie's Bargain Outlet	812	912	1012	1112*	112	212	312	412	512	**	**	**	**	
Hudson Valley Mall	817	917	1017	1117*	117	217	317	417	517	**	**	**	**	
Shoprite	820	920	1020	1120*	120	220	320	420	520	**	**	**	**	
Kohl's Plaza	822	922	1022	1122*	122	222	322	422	522	**	**	**	**	
Ulster Gardens	-	930	1030	1130*	130	230	330	430	530	**	**	**	**	
Kings Mall	837	937	1037	1137*	137	237	337	437	537	**	**	**	**	
Bed, Bath & Beyond	839	939	1039	1139*	139	239	339	439	539	**	**	**	**	
Hannaford	841	941	1041	1141*	141	241	341	441	541	**	**	**	**	
Burlington-Staples Plaza	843	943	1043	1143*	143	243	343	443	543	**	**	**	**	
Tech City	900	1000	1100	-	200	300	400	500	550	-	-	-	-	
Tech City Connections to:	K, S	K, S	K, S	NONE	K, S	K, S	K, S	K, S	K, S	K, S	K, S	K, S	K, S	
Sawkill Rd. at Barbarossa Ln.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	555		-	-		
Golden Hill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	605		-	-		

*** 11AM LOOP DOES DROP OFFS ONLY BY REQUEST, DOES NOT RETURN TO TECH CITY ***

**** AFTER 5PM LOOP ****

**** PICK UP & DROP OFF BY REQUEST, BUS DOES NOT AUTOMATICALLY STOP****

Pick-ups at store locations must be called into dispatch office at 845-334-8458.

Drop offs at store locations can be told to the bus driver.

NPL WEEKDAY: NEW PALTZ LOOP

Main St @ Prospect St (Trailways)	845	930	1000	1030	1100	1130	100	200	230	300	330	400	430	500	530
Shoprite Plaza	900	935	1005	1035	1105	1135	105	205	235	305	335	405	435	505	535
Tops Plaza	905	940	1010	1040	1110	1140	110	210	240	310	340	410	440	510	540
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	910	945	1015	1045	1115	1145	115	215	245	315	345	415	445	515	545
SUNY New Paltz: Huguenot @ Southside	911	946	1016	1046	1116	1146	116	216	246	316	346	416	446	516	546
SUNY New Paltz: Southside @ South Rd.	912	947	1017	1047	1117	1147	117	217	247	317	347	417	447	517	547
SUNY New Paltz: Hawk Dr	914	949	1019	1049	1119	1149	119	219	249	319	349	419	449	519	549
Southside Ave @ Rt. 208	925	955	1025	1055	1125	1155	125	225	255	325	355	425	455	525	555
Rt. 208 @ Rt. 299 (Main St)	926	956	1026	1056	1126	1156	126	226	256	326	356	426	456	526	556

R ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON TO NEW PALTZ							
Golden Hill	515	520	600	800	1230	-	215
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	-	530	-	810	-	130	-
Rt 32 @ Golden Hill Dr.	516	535	601	820	1231	135	235
Bloomington: Rt. 32 @ Main St	526	540	605	825	1235	140	240
Rosendale Park & Ride	530	550	615	830	1245	150	245
NP Stewarts Rt 32	540	600	625	840	1255	200	255
Main St @ Prospect St (Trailways)	545	-	630	845	100	-	300
R ROUTE WEEKDAY: NEW PALTZ TO KINGSTON							
Main St @ Prospect St (Trailways)	-	1150	233	-	-	635	1033
NP Stewarts Rt 32	752	1155	235	302	558	640	1035
Rosendale Park & Ride	805	1205	245	315	608	650	1045
Bloomington: Rt. 32 @ Main St	810	1215	250	320	613	700	1050
Rt 32 @ Golden Hill Dr.	815	1220	255	325	618	705	1055
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	820	1230	300	330	-	-	-
Golden Hill	-	1240	310	340	619	706	1056

RED ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON PLAZA -- GOLDEN HILL -- LUCAS AVE.									
Kingston Plaza	735	835	935	1035	1235	135	235	335	435
Main St & Fair St (County Office Building)	738	838	938	1038	1238	138	238	338	438
St. James St & Clinton Ave	739	839	939	1039	1239	139	239	339	439
Clinton Ave & Greenkill Ave	742	842	942	1042	1242	142	242	342	442
Bldv/Stewarts	743	843	943	1043	1243	143	243	343	443
Golden Hill Dr: Mental Health	745	845	945	1045	1245	145	245	345	445
Golden Hill Dr: Infirmary	747	847	947	1047	1247	147	247	347	447
Gateway/Family Practice	751	851	951	1051	1251	151	251	351	451
Law Enforcement Center	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Washington Ave & Greenkill Ave	754	854	954	1054	1254	154	254	354	454
Main St & Washington Ave	756	856	956	1056	1256	156	256	356	456
Lucas Ave & Miller's Lane (Forsyth Park)	758	858	958	1058	1258	158	258	358	458
Fairview Ave (outside Fairview Apts)	800	900	1000	1100	100	200	300	400	500
Quarry St & Hurley Ave	803	903	1003	1103	103	203	303	403	503
Schwenk Dr & Frog Alley	804	904	1004	1104	104	204	304	404	504
Kingston Plaza	810	910	1010	1110	110	210	310	410	510
Law Enforcement Center location by request only. Call dispatch, 334-8458, to arrange pick-up/drop-off									

UPL WEEKDAY: NEW PALTZ -- HIGHLAND -- POUGHKEEPSIE TRAIN STATION									
Rosendale Park & Ride	530	-	-	-	-	230	-	-	-
NP Stewarts Rt 32	540	645	845	1045	1245	245	445	645	845
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	-	650	850	1050	1250	250	450	650	850
Highland Park & Ride	555	705	905	1105	105	305	505	705	905
Poughkeepsie Train Station	610	735	935	1135	135	335	535	735	935
Main & Market (Drop offs by request)	-	-	N/S	N/S	-	-	-	-	-
Train Departure (Poughkeepsie Station)	624	752	952	1152	152	346	550	754	945
Train Arrival (Grand Central)	821	949	1149	149	349	549	753	953	1143
UPL WEEKDAY: POUGHKEEPSIE TRAIN STATION -- HIGHLAND -- NEW PALTZ									
Train Departure (Grand Central)	-	-	745	945	1145	145	345	545	745
Train Arrival (Poughkeepsie Station)	-	-	948	1148	142	342	542	742	942
Poughkeepsie Train Station	615	800	1000	1200	200	400	600	800	1000
Main St @ Market St (Bus Depot)	620	805	1005	1205	205	405	605	805	1005
Highland Park & Ride	630	815	1015	1215	215	415	615	815	1015
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	-	830	1030	1230	230	430	630	830	1030
NP Stewarts Rt 32	645	835	1035	1235	235	435	635	835	1035
Rosendale Park & Ride	-	-	-	-	245	-	-	-	1045

W ROUTE WEEKDAY: NEW PALTZ -- WALLKILL			
NP Stewarts Rt 32	600	700	205
Rt. 208 & Southside Ave	602	702	207
Rt. 208 & Jansen Ave	605	705	210
Gardiner: Rt. 208 @ Rt 44/55	610	710	215
Wallkill: Popp Park	625	725	230
W ROUTE WEEKDAY: WALLKILL -- NEW PALTZ			
Wallkill: Popp Park	635	735	245
Gardiner: Rt. 208 @ Rt 44/55	640	740	250
Rt. 208 & Jansen Ave	645	745	255
Rt. 208 & Southside Ave	647	747	257
NP Stewarts Rt 32	652	752	302

X ROUTE WEEKDAY: NEW PALTZ -- NEWBURGH				
Main @ Prospect (Trailways)	630	900	100	330
Modena: Rt 32 @ Rt 44/55	640	910	110	340
Plattekill Post Office	648	918	118	348
Newburgh: Shoprite	658	928	128	358
Newburgh: Mid-Valley Mall	705	935	135	405
Newburgh: Water St @ Colden	720	950	150	420
Newburgh Mall	730	1000	200	430
X ROUTE WEEKDAY: NEWBURGH -- NEW PALTZ				
Newburgh Mall	745	1045	215	530
Newburgh: 17k Bus Terminal	750	1050	220	535
Newburgh: Water St @ Colden	800	1100	230	545
Newburgh: Mid-Valley Mall	805	1105	235	550
Newburgh: Shoprite	810	1110	240	555
Plattekill Post Office	820	1120	250	600
Modena: Rt 32 @ Rt 44/55	830	1130	300	610
Main @ Prospect (Trailways)	850	1150	320	620

YELLOW ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON PLAZA -- PORT EWEN

Kingston Plaza	635	735	835	935	1035	1235	135	235	335	435	535
Bruyn Ave & O'Neil St	640	740	840	940	1040	1240	140	240	340	440	540
Ten Broeck Ave & Foxhall Ave	643	743	843	943	1043	1243	143	243	343	443	543
Foxhall Ave & Broadway	645	745	845	945	1045	1245	145	245	345	445	545
Yosman Towers	650	750	850	950	1050	1250	150	250	350	450	550
Rt 9w & Salem St	700	800	900	1000	1100	100	200	300	400	500	600
Birches Senior Center	703	803	903	1003	1103	103	203	303	403	503	603
Rt 9w & Salem St	706	806	906	1006	1106	106	206	306	406	506	606
Flatbush Ave & Tammany St	710	810	910	1010	1110	110	210	310	410	510	610
Colonial Gardens	713	813	913	1013	1113	113	213	313	413	513	613
S. Manor Ave. & Elemendorf St	715	815	915	1015	1115	115	215	315	415	515	615
Elmendorf St & Broadway	717	817	917	1017	1117	117	217	317	417	517	617
Kingston Plaza	720	820	920	1020	1120	120	220	320	420	520	620

Z ROUTE WEEKDAY: KINGSTON -- WOODSTOCK -- PINE HILL								
Golden Hill	500	-	920	-	-			
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	510	730	930	1100	1200	145	330	600
West Hurley: RT 28 @ Rt. 375	520	740	940	1110	1210	155	340	610
Woodstock: Rt 212 @ Rock City Rd	-	750	950	1120	1220	205	350	620
Boiceville: Rt. 28 @ Upper B'Ville Rd	535	808	1008	1138	1238	-	408	-
Phoenicia: Rt 214 @ Church St	547	820	1020	1150	1250	-	420	-
Pine Hill: Main St @ Elm St	605	838	1038	1208	108	-	438	-
Belleayre Mountain	-	843	1043	-	113	-	443	-
Z ROUTE WEEKDAY: PINE HILL -- WOODSTOCK -- KINGSTON								
Belleayre Mountain	-	843	1043	-	113	-	443	-
Pine Hill: Main St @ Elm St	605	848	1048	1208	118	-	448	-
Phoenicia: Rt 214 @ Church St	623	906	1106	1226	136	-	506	-
Boiceville: Rt. 28 @ Upper B'Ville Rd	635	918	1118	1238	148	-	518	-
Woodstock: Rt 212 @ Rock City Rd	653	936	1136	1256	206	230	536	640
West Hurley: RT 28 @ Rt. 375	703	946	1146	106	216	240	546	650
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	715	958	1158	118	228	252	558	702
Golden Hill	-	-	-	-	-	302	-	712

SATURDAY E: KINGSTON -- ELLENVILLE				
Golden Hill	750	-	-	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	800	1000	100	400
Hurley: Main St @ Wynkoop Rd	810	1010	110	410
Stone Ridge: Rt 209 @ Cottekill Rd	820	1020	120	420
Stone Ridge: Rt 209 @ Rt. 213	825	1025	125	425
Accord: Rt 209 @ Main St	835	1035	135	435
Kerhonkson: Rt 209 @ Stewarts	840	1040	140	440
Walmart @ Rt 209	845	1045	145	445
Healthy Way	850	1050	150	450
Shoprite	851	1051	151	451
Ellenville: Liberty Sq @ Canal St	900	1100	200	500
SATURDAY E: ELLENVILLE -- KINGSTON				
Ellenville: Liberty Sq @ Canal St	900	1100	230	500
Shoprite	909	1109	239	509
Healthy Way	910	1110	240	510
Walmart @ Rt 209	915	1115	245	515
Kerhonkson: Rt 209 @ Stewarts	920	1120	250	520
Accord: Rt 209 @ Main St	925	1125	255	525
Stone Ridge: Rt 209 @ Rt. 213	935	1135	305	535
Hurley: Main St @ Wynkoop Rd	945	1145	315	545
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	1000	1200	330	600
Golden Hill	-	-	-	605
Kingston Plaza Connections to:	K, KPL, Blue, Yellow, Z	KPL, Red, Blue	KPL, Red, Yellow, Z	Red

SATURDAY SCHEDULE: KS ROUTE: KINGSTON -- MALL AREA -- SAUGERTIES					
Golden Hill	750	-	-	-	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	800	1000	100	300	500
DSS/Family Court (curbside)	810	1010	110	310	510
Chambers	813	1013	113	313	513
Mall Area (request only)	830	1030	130	330	530
9W & Grant Ave	835	1035	135	335	-
Saugerties: 9w/32	845	1045	145	345	-
The Mill (request only)	-	-	-	-	-
West Bridge St @ Main St.	850	1050	150	350	-
Saugerties Post Office	855	1055	155	355	-
Price Chopper (request only)	-	-	-	-	-
SATURDAY SCHEDULE: KS ROUTE: SAUGERTIES -- MALL AREA -- KINGSTON					
Saugerties Post Office	855	1055	155	355	-
Washington Ave @ Main St	900	1100	200	400	-
West Bridge St @ Main St.	903	1103	203	403	-
The Mill (request only)	-	-	-	-	-
9w/32	905	1105	205	405	-
9W & Grant Ave	915	1115	215	415	-
Mall Area (request only)	930	1130	230	430	530
Chambers	940	1140	240	440	540
DSS/Family Court (curbside)	943	1143	243	443	543
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	950	1150	250	450	550
Golden Hill	-	-	-	-	600
Kingston Plaza Connections to:	E, KPL, Blue, Yellow, Z	KPL, Red, Blue	Red, Blue, Yellow	Blue, Yellow	Red

SATURDAY KPL ROUTE: KINGSTON -- HIGHLAND -- POUGHKEEPSIE TRAIN STATION					
Golden Hill	750	-	-	-	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	800	1000	1200	200	400
Broadway @ Kingston Hospital	801	1001	1201	201	401
Garraghan Dr @ Police Station	805	1005	1205	205	405
Port Ewen: 9W @ BOCES	810	1010	1210	210	410
Highland Park & Ride	815	1015	1215	215	415
Poughkeepsie Train Station	830	1030	1230	230	430
Main & Market	835	1035	1235	235	435
Train Departure (Poughkeepsie Station)	852	1052	1246	246	448
Train Arrival (Grand Central)	1049	1249	246	446	653
SATURDAY KPL ROUTE: POUGHKEEPSIE TRAIN STATION -- HIGHLAND -- KINGSTON					
Train Departure (Grand Central)	645	845	1045	1245	245
Train Arrival (Poughkeepsie Station)	848	1048	1248	252	442
Poughkeepsie Train Station	900	1100	100	300	500
Highland Park & Ride	910	1110	110	310	510
Port Ewen: 9W @ BOCES	925	1125	125	325	525
Garraghan Dr @ Police Station	930	1130	130	330	530
Broadway @ Kingston Hospital	935	1135	135	335	535
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	940	1140	140	340	540
Golden Hill	-	-	-	-	550
Kingston Plaza Connections to:	E, K, Blue, Yellow, Z	Red, Blue	Blue, Yellow	E, Yellow, Z	Red

SATURDAY RED ROUTE:							
Kingston Plaza	800	930	1200	130	300	430	600
County Office Building	803	933	1203	133	303	433	603
Clinton & Greenkill	806	936	1206	136	306	436	606
Bldv/Stewarts	807	937	1207	137	307	437	607
Golden Hill Area (by request only)	*	*	*	*	*	*	615
Washington Ave & Main St	810	940	1210	140	310	440	-
Lucas Ave & Miller's Lane	815	945	1215	145	315	445	-
Fairview Ave (outside Fairview Apts)	820	950	1220	150	320	450	-
Quarry St & Hurley Ave	823	953	1223	153	323	453	-
Kingston Plaza	830	1000	1230	200	330	500	-
Kingston Plaza Connections to:	-	E, K, KPL, Yellow, Z	-	KPL, Yellow	E, KPL, Yellow, Z	K, Yellow	-

SATURDAY BLUE ROUTE:						
Kingston Plaza	830	1000	1230	200	330	500
Academy Green	832	1002	1232	202	332	502
Restorative Justice Center	834	1004	1234	204	334	504
Broadway & Cedar	835	1005	1235	205	335	505
Broadway & Pine Grove	839	1009	1239	209	339	509
Mary's Ave: Health Alliance & SUNY Ulster	*	*	*	*	*	*
Yosman Towers/Broadway	845	1015	1245	215	345	515
Wurt & Abeel St.	850	1020	1250	220	350	520
Garraghan Dr. (Across from Police Station)	855	1025	1255	225	355	525
Murray St. (Rondout Gardens)	857	1027	1257	227	357	527
Kingston Hospital	902	1032	102	232	402	532
Broadway & Dederick St.	905	1035	105	235	405	535
Broadway & Cornell	910	1040	110	240	410	540
Governor Clinton	915	1045	115	245	415	545
Kingston Plaza	920	1050	120	250	420	550
Kingston Plaza Connections to:	-	Yellow	KPL, Red, Z	K, Red, Yellow	K, Red	-
Mary's Ave: Health Alliance & SUNY Ulster by request only						

SATURDAY UPL: NEW PALTZ -- HIGHLAND -- POUGHKEEPSIE TRAIN STATION					
Rosendale Park & Ride	820	-	-	-	-
NP Stewarts Rt 32	835	1030	1245	245	445
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	840	1035	1250	250	450
Highland Park & Ride	855	1050	105	305	505
Poughkeepsie Train Station	915	1120	125	325	525
Main St @ Market St (Bus Depot)	*	*	*	*	*
Train Departure (Poughkeepsie Station)	952	1152	152	346	550
Train Arrival (Grand Central)	1149	149	349	549	753
SATURDAY UPL: POUGHKEEPSIE TRAIN STATION -- HIGHLAND -- NEW PALTZ					
Train Departure (Grand Central)	745	945	1145	145	345
Train Arrival (Poughkeepsie Station)	948	1148	142	342	542
Poughkeepsie Train Station	1000	1200	200	400	550
Main St @ Market St (Bus Depot)	-	1205	205	405	-
Highland Park & Ride	1015	1220	220	420	605
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	-	1235	235	435	-
NP Stewarts Rt 32	1030	1240	240	440	620
Rosendale Park & Ride	-	-	-	-	630

SATURDAY YELLOW ROUTE:

Kingston Plaza	800	900	1000	1100	100	200	300	400	500
Bruyn Ave & O'Neil St	810	910	1010	1110	110	210	310	410	510
Ten Broeck Ave & Cornell St.	813	913	1013	1113	113	213	313	413	513
Foxhall Ave & Broadway	815	915	1015	1115	115	215	315	415	515
Yosman Towers	817	917	1017	1117	117	217	317	417	517
Rt 9w & Salem St	824	924	1024	1124	124	224	324	424	524
Birches Senior Center	833	933	1033	1133	133	233	333	433	533
Rt 9w & Salem St	836	936	1036	1136	136	236	336	436	536
Flatbush Ave & Tammany St	840	940	1040	1140	140	240	340	440	540
Colonial Gardens	843	943	1043	1143	143	243	343	443	543
S. Manor St & Elemendorf St	845	945	1045	1145	145	245	345	445	545
Elmendorf St & Broadway	847	947	1047	1147	147	247	347	447	547
Kingston Plaza	850	950	1050	1150	150	250	350	450	550
Kingston Plaza Connections to:	-	E, K, KPL, Blue, Z	-	KPL, Red, Blue	KPL, Blue	K, Red, Blue	E, KPL, Red, Z	K, Blue	Red

SATURDAY Z ROUTE: KINGSTON -- WOODSTOCK -- PINE HILL				
Golden Hill	720	-	-	-
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	730	1015	130	415
West Hurley: RT 28 @ Rt. 375	740	1025	140	425
Woodstock: Rt 212 @ Rock City Rd	800	1045	200	445
Boiceville: Rt. 28 @ Upper B'Ville Rd	815	1100	215	-
Phoenicia: Rt 214 @ Church St	827	1112	227	-
Pine Hill: Main St @ Elm St	840	1125	240	-
Belleayre Mountain	845	-	245	-
SATURDAY Z ROUTE: PINE HILL -- WOODSTOCK -- KINGSTON				
Belleayre Mountain	845	-	245	-
Pine Hill: Main St @ Elm St	900	1125	300	-
Phoenicia: Rt 214 @ Church St	913	1138	313	-
Boiceville: Rt. 28 @ Upper B'Ville Rd	925	1150	325	-
Woodstock: Rt 212 @ Rock City Rd	940	1205	340	500
West Hurley: RT 28 @ Rt. 375	945	1210	345	505
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	1000	1225	400	520
Golden Hill	-	-	-	530
Kingston Plaza Connections to:	E, K, KPL, Blue, Yellow	E, K, Red, Blue	E, KPL, Red, Yellow	Red

SATURDAY NEW PALTZ LOOP:

Main St @ Prospect St (Trailways)	845	930	1000	1030	1100	1130	100	200	230	300	330	400	430	500	530
Shoprite Plaza	900	935	1005	1035	1105	1135	105	205	235	305	335	405	435	505	535
Tops Plaza	905	940	1010	1040	1110	1140	110	210	240	310	340	410	440	510	540
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	910	945	1015	1045	1115	1145	115	215	245	315	345	415	445	515	545
SUNY New Paltz: Huguenot @ Southside	911	946	1016	1046	1116	1146	116	216	246	316	346	416	446	516	546
SUNY New Paltz: Southside @ South Rd.	912	947	1017	1047	1117	1147	117	217	247	317	347	417	447	517	547
SUNY New Paltz: Hawk Dr	914	949	1019	1049	1119	1149	119	219	249	319	349	419	449	519	549
Southside Ave @ Rt. 208	925	955	1025	1055	1125	1155	125	225	255	325	355	425	455	525	555
Rt. 208 @ Rt. 299 (Main St)	926	956	1026	1056	1126	1156	126	226	256	326	356	426	456	526	556

SUNDAY K/UPL: KINGSTON - NEW PALTZ- TRAIN STATION				
Rosendale Park & Ride	750		135	
NP Stewarts Rt 32 Southbound	805		150	
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	810		155	
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford		1030		410
Broadway @ Kingston Hospital		1035		415
Garraghan Dr @ Police Station		1040		420
Port Ewen: 9W @ BOCES		1050		430
Highland Park & Ride	825	1105	210	445
Poughkeepsie Train Station	840	1120	225	500
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SUNDAY K/UPL: TRAIN STATION - NEW PALTZ - KINGSTON				
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Train Arrival Poughkeepsie	848	1148	252	442
Poughkeepsie Train Station	900	1200	300	500
Main St @ Market St (Bus Depot)	905	-	305	-
Highland Park & Ride	915	1215	315	515
SUNY New Paltz: Campus Tran Hub	930	-	330	-
NP Stewarts Rt 32 Southbound	935	-	335	-
Rosendale Park & Ride	945	-	345	-
Port Ewen: 9W @ BOCES	-	1230	-	530
Garraghan Dr @ Police Station	-	1235	-	535
Broadway @ Kingston Hospital	-	1237	-	537
Kingston Plaza @ Hannaford	1000	100	400	600



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WCDOT Bee Line Bus

Zipcar

New Haven Line

Amtrak

CT Transit

Danbury-Brewster Shuttle

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Regional Transit)

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Shuttle

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M104 - Lexington & 42nd St near Grand Central Terminal

WEEKDAYS FROM ULSTER VIA POUGHKEEPSIE TO GRAND CENTRAL TERMINAL

AM Light Face, PM Bold Face	AM Peak				AM				PM											
Rosendale Park & Ride	5 20	6 00	—	—	—	—	—	From Kingston	9 30	11 30	1 35	3 00	—	—	4 35	—	—	—	—	
New Paltz/Route 32 Across from Stewart's	5 28	6 10	6 30	—	7 45	8 30	9 38		11 38	1 43	3 07	3 45	4 15	4 45	5 50	6 45	7 45	9 00		
SUNY Campus Transit Hub	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		11 43	1 48	—	3 53	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rt. 299/Old New Paltz Rd	5 38	6 18	6 38	—	7 53	8 38	9 46		11 51	1 56	3 15	4 00	4 23	4 52	5 58	6 53	7 53	9 08		
Highland/Route 299 & 9W Park & Ride	5 45	6 25	6 45	°7 30	8 03	8 45	9 15		9 50	12 00	2 05	3 30	4 10	4 30	5 05	6 05	7 00	8 00	9 15	
Woodside Place	—	—	—	—	8 06	—	—	—	—	—	3 31	—	4 31	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Milton & Vineyard	—	—	—	7 33	8 07	8 48	—	9 53	—	2 08	3 32	—	4 32	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Haviland/Tillson & Rt. 9W	5 48	6 28	6 48	7 35	8 08	8 50	9 20	9 55	12 03	2 10	3 35	4 13	4 35	5 08	6 08	7 03	8 03	9 18		
Poughkeepsie Station	6 00	6 40	7 00	7 45	8 30	9 00	9 30	10 15	12 15	2 20	3 45	4 25	4 50	5 20	6 20	7 20	8 15	9 30		
Poughkeepsie Main & Market	X	X	X	X	X	X	—	X	X	—	X	—	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Poughkeepsie Station	6 13	6 46	7 09	8 01	8 55	9 45	10 45	12 45	2 49	3 53	4 51	5 33	6 55	7 53	8 49	9 48				
Grand Central Terminal	7 48	8 33	8 54	9 43	10 47	11 37	12 37	2 37	4 41	5 44	6 45	7 14	8 42	9 42	10 42	12 07				

x Poughkeepsie Main Street & Market customers: Buses will stop at Main & Market after stopping at Poughkeepsie Station
 ° Bus change required

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WEEKENDS VIA POUGHKEEPSIE TO GRAND CENTRAL

AM Light Face, PM Bold Face	Sat. Only	Sat./Sun.	Sat. Only		Sun. Only	Sat./Sun.	
Rosendale Park & Ride	8 30	8 30	10 30	12 30	2 30	From Kingston	4 30
New Paltz/Route 32 Across from Stewart's	8 40	8 40	10 40	12 40	2 40		4 40
SUNY Campus Transit Hub	8 43	8 43	10 43	12 43	2 43		4 43
Highland Park & Ride	9 00	9 00	11 00	1 00	3 00	3 20	5 00
Poughkeepsie Station	9 15	9 15	11 15	1 15	3 15	3 30	5 15
Poughkeepsie Station	9 24	9 52	11 52	1 52	3 24	3 46	5 50
Grand Central Terminal	11 15	11 49	1 49	3 49	5 15	5 49	7 53

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Buses only, see Metro-North timetable for rail service.

Columbus Day (10/14)	No Service
Veterans Day (11/11)	Saturday Schedule
Thanksgiving Day (11/28)	No Service
Day After Thanksgiving (11/29)	Saturday Schedule
Christmas Day (12/25)	No Service
New Year's Day (1/1)	No Service
Dr. M.L. King Jr. Day (1/20)	Sunday Schedule
Presidents' Day (2/17)	No Service

WEEKDAYS FROM GRAND CENTRAL VIA POUGHKEEPSIE TO ULSTER

AM Light Face, PM Bold Face	AM Peak						PM Peak												
Grand Central Terminal	—	—	—	—	6 45	7 39	8 46	10 43	12 43	1 43	2 43	3 18	4 14	5 08	5 53	6 15	7 53		
Poughkeepsie Station	—	—	—	—	8 38	9 35	10 38	12 38	2 38	3 38	4 38	5 09	6 01	6 45	7 38	8 04	9 39		
Poughkeepsie Station	6 00	7 00	7 15	7 45	8 40	9 40	9 40	10 45	12 45	2 40	3 45	4 45	5 20	6 05	6 50	7 43	+ 8 30	+ 9 40	
Poughkeepsie Main & Market	6 03	7 03	7 18	7 48	8 42	9 43	—	10 48	12 48	2 43	3 48	4 48	5 23	6 08	6 53	7 45	8 33	9 43	
Bridgeview Plaza	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2 53	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
Haviland/Tillson & Rt. 9W	6 13	7 13	7 28	7 54	8 55	9 55	—	10 58	12 58	2 55	3 58	4 57	5 32	6 17	7 02	7 54	8 41	9 48	
Milton & Vineyard	—	—	—	7 55	8 57	9 57	—	10 59	—	3 59	4 58	—	6 18	—	—	8 42	—	—	
Highland/Route 299 & 9W Park & Ride	—	7 15	7 30	8 00	9 00	10 00	9 55	11 00	1 00	3 00	4 00	5 00	5 35	6 20	7 05	7 57	8 45	9 50	
Rt. 299/Old New Paltz Rd	6 22	—	7 35	8 05	9 05	10 05	To Kingston	11 05	1 05	3 05	4 05	5 05	5 40	6 25	7 10	8 02	8 50	9 55	
SUNY Campus Transit Hub	—	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	1 12	—	—	5 10	—	—	—	—	—	—
New Paltz/Route 32 At Stewart's	6 30	—	7 45	8 15	9 20	10 15		—	11 15	1 20	3 15	4 15	5 15	5 50	°6 35	7 20	8 12	9 00	10 05
Rosendale Park & Ride	—	—	—	—	9 30	10 30		—	11 30	1 35	—	—	5 30	—	—	—	8 20	—	10 15
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° Bus change required. + Buses will wait at Poughkeepsie for the train in the event of a train delay on the two final trips on weekdays and the final trip on weekends.

WEEKENDS VIA POUGHKEEPSIE TO ULSTER

AM Light Face, PM Bold Face	Sat./Sun.	Sat. Only		Sat./Sun.	
Grand Central Terminal	7 45	9 45	11 45	1 45	3 45
Poughkeepsie Station	9 48	11 48	1 42	3 42	5 42
Poughkeepsie Station	9 53	11 53	1 47	3 47	+ 5 47
Poughkeepsie Main & Market	9 56	11 56	1 50	3 50	5 50
Highland Park & Ride	10 06	12 06	2 00	4 00	6 00
SUNY Campus Transit Hub	—	12 23	2 15	4 15	6 15
New Paltz/Route 32 At Stewart's	10 23	12 31	2 23	4 23	6 23
Rosendale Park & Ride	10 30	12 40	2 30	4 30	6 30

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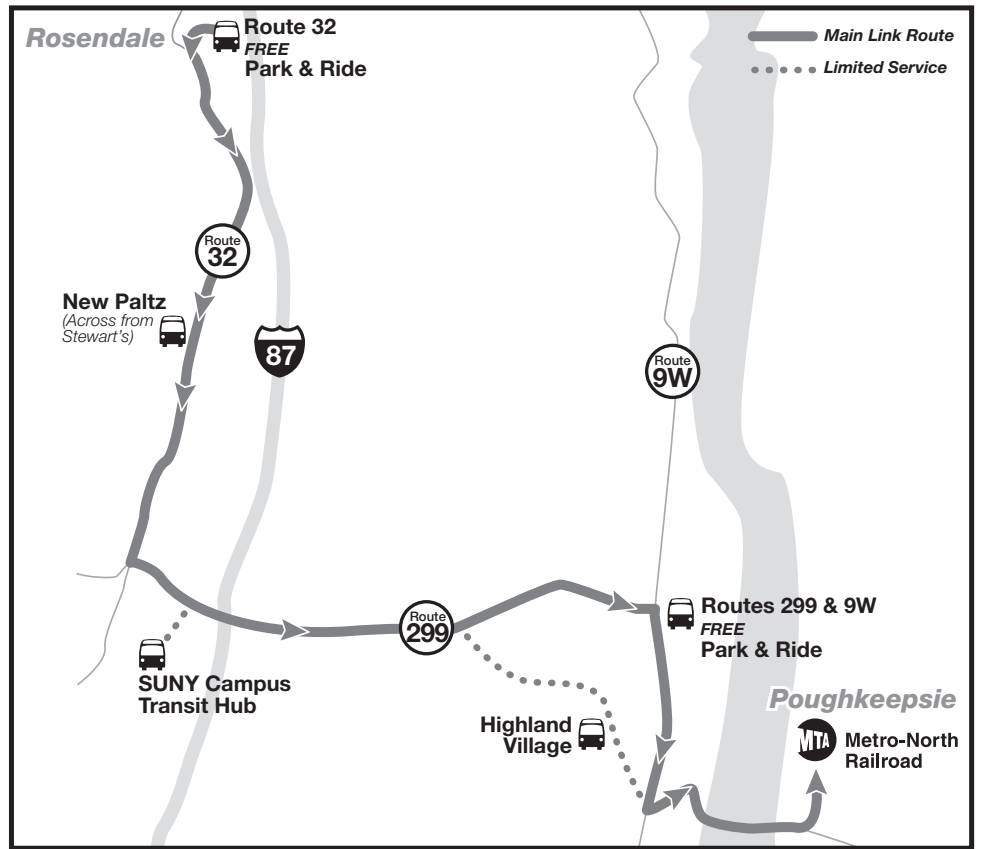
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6.12 Implement Strategies That Increase Public Transit Ridership and Alternative Transport Modes

1 – 9 Points

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A. Why is this action important?

By increasing ridership, a community can maximize the benefits of public transportation, including reduced greenhouse gas emissions from single-occupancy vehicles, lower gasoline consumption, reduced congestion, enhancement of personal mobility (especially those without a vehicle), and it provides jobs and other economic opportunities. The Climate Smart Communities (CSC) program encourages local governments to develop creative strategies to increase the use of public transportation by residents and visitors.

B. How to implement this action

There are a number of ways that local governments can implement strategies to increase the use of public transportation. Each of the strategies strives to reduce some of the barriers to transit ridership such as cost of public transit, distance a passenger needs to travel to access transit, shelter at the transit stop, access to bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and parking if the passenger is driving to a central spot to take transit into an urban area. Local governments should start this process by investigating the needs of the community. Who currently takes public transit? What types of public transportation is offered? Where are the routes? Are they serving the existing demand and need for public transportation? After determining the need, local governments can use some of the following strategies to increase ridership:

- Develop shuttle system to trains
- Improve walkways, sidewalks and/or bikeways to trains and buses
- Ensure adequate bike and car parking near bus stops
- Encourage or promote car sharing among residents, institutions, and businesses within the community
- Provide incentives directly to riders or work with local employers to provide incentives to employees for using public transit
- Coordinate with a regional transit agency or neighboring community to expand access to public transit within the region

Although some of these strategies require capital investment, the local government should investigate which options will fit its needs and result in increased ridership. One size does not fit all – local governments should choose the strategies that fit the needs of their population. CSCs are encouraged to contact the [New York State Department of State Division of Local Services](#) for training, technical assistance and legal guidance on policies to promote transit ridership and use of alternative transportation and the [New York State Department of Transportation \(DOT\)](#) for guidance regarding transportation projects.

C. Timeframe, project costs, and resource needs

Many of the strategies used to increase transit ridership require staff time to plan and capital investment to fund them; for example, constructing sidewalks and bus shelters and installing bike racks. Regional planning agencies and metropolitan planning organizations are great resources for data and conducting needs assessments. They may also be able to assist with regional coordination between neighboring communities. The timeframe to implement this action can be anywhere from six months to several years, depending on the costs and coordination required to implement specific strategies.

D. Which local governments implement this action? Which departments within the local government are most likely to have responsibility for this?

Any local government can implement this action. However the scale of this action will vary based on the population and location of the community. Departments of public works, transit agencies (where applicable), planning departments, and planning boards are typically responsible for this action.

E. How to obtain points for this action

A local government can implement any or all of the following strategies to achieve points for this action:

	POSSIBLE POINTS
Develop shuttle system to trains	3
Improve walkways, sidewalks and/or bikeways to trains and buses	2
Ensure adequate bike and car parking near bus stops	1
Encourage or promote car-sharing in the community	1
Provide transit incentives directly to riders or through local employers	1
Coordinate with a regional transit agency or neighboring community to expand access to public transit within the region	1

F. What to submit

Local governments must indicate which strategies for which they are seeking points and submit documentation for each strategy that has been implemented. Documentation should include shuttle website and schedules, funding source and photographs of upgraded sidewalks or bikeways, funding source and photographs of bike and car parking near bus stops, specific incentives provided to riders, incentives provided to employees and the employer(s) that offer those incentives, tiered rate structure for transit fares, and any partnerships with regional transit agencies or neighboring communities. These strategies must be actively implemented at the time of submission.

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All CSC action documentation is available for public viewing after an action is approved. Action submittals should not include any information or documents that are not intended to be viewed by the public.

G. Links to additional resources or best practices

- [DOT, Transportation Alternatives Program](#)
- [DOT, Public Transportation](#)
- [Huntington, NY, Resident Hybrid/Alternative Fuel Vehicle Parking Fee Waiver](#)
- [Victoria Policy Institute, Transportation Demand Management Encyclopedia, Public Transit Improvements](#)
- [CarSharing.net](#)

H. Recertification requirements

The recertification requirements are the same as the initial certification requirements.