

PARATRANSIT OPTIONS

Incentivize paratransit riders to use fixed route service

- Free fixed route fares to seniors?
- Better fixed routes
- Better bus stop facilities
- Flexible first-mile/last-mile local services

Increase fares in Howard, implement a fare in Anne Arundel

Raise “senior” age (from 60 to 65 in Howard, from 55 in Anne Arundel)

Rider education, trip training – how to use the system

Service adjustments

- Number of Trips – e.g., limit number of individual trips per month (currently one round-trip per day)
- Redirect some trip types if fixed route is available
- Origins and destinations, e.g., limit service in western Howard County, southern Anne Arundel
- Hours: change hours of service

Use taxi vouchers/ subsidies in lieu of providing RTA trips

Reduce /eliminate/restructure current \$320,000 annual subsidy to Howard County human service providers. (study underway)

Improve service productivity (RTA operation)



Anne Arundel County



Howard County



Prince George's County



City of Laurel



Regional Transportation Agency of Central Maryland



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