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Dear Member Municipal Councils and CAOs,

Thank you for your continued partnership with Saugeen Mobility and Regional Transit (SMART). SMART continues to increase its rides capacity, after the slowdown caused by COVID-19, and the company remains sound financially.

Throughout 2022, the SMART Board and management continued to review operations and practices to ensure effective and efficient service delivery. A few highlights from 2022:

- 1. SMART purchased three new 9-passenger buses in 2021. Two were received and one is due for 2023 delivery. These vehicles replacements are funded by the federal public transit infrastructure fund and the provincial gas tax program.
- 2. SMART management and Board members continue to dialogue with Bruce County, Grey County, Home and Community Support Services and Grey Transit Route staff in an effort to explore partnership possibilities and seamless accessible transportation across all Grey and Bruce communities.
- 3. In early April 2023, SMART's auditors sent an electronic copy of the financial statements to all member municipalities. Additionally, please find attached Ridership Statistic Summary January to December 2022.

Lastly, SMART management and its Board are considering various levels of services, to include Essential (current) and Enhanced service, and Cost Recovery (where a municipality would not contribute money but transportation fees would be set to the actual cost of a ride). We look forward to presenting these options to you.

Sincerely,

SMART Board of Directors

## **RIDERSHIP STATISTICS SUMMARY - 2022 to Dec 31st**

Arran-Elderslie	2022 2021	<b>JAN</b> 166 69	<b>FEB</b> 145 140	<b>MAR</b> 163 134	<b>APR</b> 131 90	<b>MAY</b> 209 67	<b>JUN</b> 193 95	<b>JUL</b> 147 133	<b>AUG</b> 178 181	<b>SEP</b> 215 216	<b>ОСТ</b> 257 206	<b>NOV</b> 212 243	<b>DEC</b> 228 231	<b>TOTAL</b> 2244 1805	CHANGE 24.32%
Brockton	2022 2021	113 129	80 90	157 143	152 85	187 110	319 129	211 165	216 200	264 417	345 369	263 264	257 217	2564 2318	10.61%
Chatsworth	2022 2021	49 41	54 81	110 97	97 90	76 71	114 90	92 120	87 119	136 120	71 124	70 103	130 86	1086 1142	-4.90%
Grey Highlands	2022 2021	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	16 0	10 0	13 0	35 0	21 0	45 0	9 0	8 0	157 0	157.00%
Hanover	2022 2021	277 209	315 242	444 355	367 252	392 233	434 374	336 336	425 353	385 382	386 419	442 467	406 423	4609 4045	13.94%
Huron-Kinloss	2022 2021	17 9	9 9	30 25	42 20	52 25	138 39	173 51	157 64	163 67	109 71	102 57	77 58	1069 495	115.96%
Kincardine	2022 2021	155 74	168 101	185 189	205 149	141 118	181 164	240 149	141 179	173 258	154 175	199 239	200 208	2142 2003	6.94%
Saugeen Shores	2022 2021	209 142	227 147	243 230	277 227	360 254	432 325	315 327	371 255	396 241	422 213	450 315	308 393	4010 3069	30.66%
Southgate	2022 2021	27 47	18 18	28 10	26 11	-1 10	26 8	24 24	22 15	38 12	32 10	35 18	25 14	300 197	52.28%
West Grey	2022 2021	164 133	144 147	256 168	250 130	290 150	251 163	283 210	255 262	209 213	244 233	258 273	218 234	2822 2316	21.85%
SUB-TOTALS	2022 2021	1177 853	1160 975	1616 1351	1547 1054	1722 1038	2098 1387	1834 1515	1887 1628	2000 1926	2065 1820	2040 1979	1857 1864	21003 17390	20.78%
OTHER	2022 2021	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	32 0	42 0	82 0	72 0	0 34	34 142	67 0	0 72	329 248	32.66%
Grey-Bruce STS	2022 2021	0 0	0 0	19 0	29 0	38 0	36 0	0 0	0 0	51 0	19 0	3 0	0 0	195 0	195.00%
TOTALS	2022 2021	<b>1177</b> 853	<b>1160</b> 975	<b>1635</b> 1351	<b>1576</b> 1054	<b>1792</b> 1038	<b>2176</b> 1387	<b>1916</b> 1515	<b>1959</b> 1628	<b>2051</b> 1960	<b>2118</b> 1962	<b>2110</b> 1979	<b>1857</b> 1936	<b>21527</b> 17638	22.05%