

New Intercity Bus Service to Provide Greater Connectivity Between North Carolina and Virginia

RALEIGH – State transportation officials have launched a new intercity bus route that is designed to coordinate with Virginia Breeze bus service to better connect North Carolina and Virginia.

The new route, known as the Triad-Danville Connector, will begin in Winston-Salem N.C., at the downtown transit center and will make stops in Greensboro and Reidsville before crossing into Virginia and ending at the Danville Transit Center.

"Through planning studies and surveys, we identified a great need for additional connectivity between Greensboro (N.C.) and Danville (V.A.)," said Brennon Fuqua, director of the N.C. Department of Transportation's Integrated Mobility Division. "We're pleased to coordinate with the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation and Sunway Charters to offer a new route that will directly connect with two current Virginia Breeze routes."

The new route will be offered twice a day, in the morning and afternoon, seven days a week, and will directly connect to the <u>Virginia Breeze</u> Piedmont Express and Capital Connector intercity bus routes. The route will also directly connect to North Carolina's Mountaineer East-West Route. The new route will allow North Carolinians in the Piedmont Triad greater access to destinations like Washington D.C., and Richmond and Charlottesville in Virginia. The route will allow Virginians greater access to the Piedmont Triad region in North Carolina.

"This partnership between North Carolina and Virginia underscores the importance of collaboration in expanding transportation networks that benefit our communities," said Tiffany Robinson, director of the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation. "The Triad-Danville Connector provides a seamless link for travelers, enhancing access to vital destinations across both states and demonstrating our shared commitment to creating convenient, reliable and interconnected mobility options."

The new Triad-Danville Connector highlights <u>ongoing work</u> NCDOT's Integrated Mobility Division, or IMD, has been doing to increase transportations options and access to new destinations. IMD has also ensured that new stops, routes and schedules align with other available transportation modes, like <u>NC By Train</u>, the state's intercity passenger rail service and Amtrak, which provides passenger rail service nationwide.

Passengers can buy tickets and learn more about the Triad-Danville Connector route by visiting the website of the route operator, Sunway Charters, at SunwayCharters.com. Tickets for the new route are also available on Greyhound.com as well as https://us.megabus.com/virginia-breeze. A ticketing booth is in Greensboro at the J. Douglas Galyon Depot.

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