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St. Mary's Transit System (STS) to Offer Fare-Free Week from May 25–31

LEONARDTOWN, MD – St. Mary's County Government's Department of Public Works & Transportation (DPW&T) is pleased to announce that all riders of the **St. Mary's Transit System (STS)** will enjoy **fare-free rides from Sunday, May 25 through Saturday, May 31, 2025**. This special promotion is being offered in honor of National Transportation Week.

The fare-free week aims to raise awareness of the vital role public transportation plays in connecting residents to employment, education, healthcare, and essential services, while also encouraging more community members to explore the convenience and value of STS.

"Public transportation is a vital service that helps keep our community connected and supports local economic growth," said Commissioner President, Randy Guy. "The Commissioners continue to evaluate ways to make STS more accessible for all, including the possibility of launching a fare-free pilot program in the next fiscal year."

Allison Swint, DPW&T Deputy Director of Transportation, expressed appreciation for both transit users and staff: "We're grateful for our team members who work every day to keep our buses running smoothly and safely. We also thank our riders—your support keeps this service strong and community-focused."

The St. Mary's Transit System operates fixed routes and paratransit services across the county, serving both urban centers and rural areas. Whether commuting to work, running errands, or attending appointments, STS provides a safe, reliable, and accessible transportation option for residents of all ages.

For routes, schedules, and rider information, please visit www.stmaryscountymd.gov/STS or call the STS Office at 301-475-4200, ext. 1120.

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