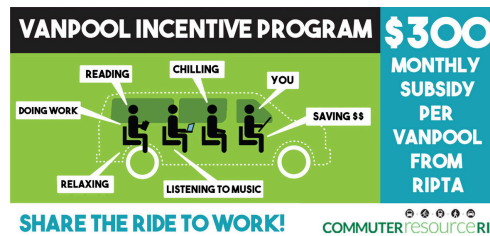




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## NEW FOR 2018 –SNOW REMOVAL FROM BUS SHELTERS

RIPTA has approximately 4,000 bus stops throughout the state and does not have the ability to clear snow from all those locations. We rely on municipal governments, businesses and property owners to help with pedestrian safety by keeping sidewalks and bus stops clear. RIPTA does remove snow and ice at its transit hubs, such as Kennedy Plaza, and has hired a contractor to remove snow around the stops on the busy R-Line which runs from the Cranston-Providence line into downtown Pawtucket.

RIPTA is happy to announce that this year we have a new shelter contract and the contractor, [Street Smart Outdoor Advertising](#), is now responsible for clearing

snow and ice from our roughly 285 shelters across the state within 24 to 48 hours after a storm.

Within 24 hours of snowfall, **Street Smart Outdoor Advertising** crews clear snow and ice from these **100 key stops** along major bus routes; the remaining shelters will be cleaned within 48 hours of snowfall.

If there's an issue with your bus shelter, please contact [info@streetsmartoutdoor.com](mailto:info@streetsmartoutdoor.com) or call 888-468-1414.



## NEW TRANSART SHELTER IN EAST PROVIDENCE

RIPTA and the City of East Providence have unveiled a new TransART bus shelter designed by artist Wright Deter Enterprises.

Located at Bullocks Point Avenue and Lincoln Avenue, the shelter features customer amenities such as seating and better protection from the elements.



It also features inspiration from the architecture of the Crescent Park Carousel. The carousel building was designed to allow the maximum amount of light to enter while still considering the structure, and the shelter carries that theme. The design, with its cupola and two over four windows reference not only the carousel, but also the area architecture such as the historic train station and the Ponham Rocks Lighthouse. The carousel theme is also referenced with the use of horse head silhouettes as bench dividers.

The shelter, funded in part by federal transit funds coupled with City of East Providence funds, cost \$46,600 to create and install. The immediate goal of the bus shelter is to enhance transit usage at this location by improving the transit rider's experience. Ultimately, the bus shelter will enhance the surrounding streetscape by contributing a transit amenity through the application of public art.

This shelter is served daily by RIPTA Route 33 every 30 minutes.

With the addition of this shelter in East Providence, there are currently fifteen TransArt shelters installed throughout Rhode Island: Sayles Avenue and Pascoag Main Street, Pascoag; Main Street, East Greenwich; Hillside Avenue, Newport (2); Wickenden Street, Providence; Hope Street, Providence (2); Brook and Angell Streets, Providence; Roger Williams Park Zoo, Providence; Broad Street, Central Falls; Dexter Street, Central Falls and Olneyville Square, Providence (2) and Green Airport.

The goal of RIPTA's TransART program, launched in 2007, was to enhance the experience of those using RIPTA service by providing seating and shelter from the weather while introducing interesting and unique bus shelters to the streetscape environment. This marks one of the final shelter installation for the TransART program.

## PRESIDENTS DAY, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2018

Just a reminder that RIPTA is running a **regular schedule** on Presidents Day.

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