



RI Supreme Court Justice Paul A. Suttell (upper right) came to RIPTA along with other members of the RI Judiciary to announce the launch of a new public information campaign for Rhode Island's Court System.

# RI COURTS USE BUS ADS TO LAUNCH PUBLIC INFORMATION CAMPAIGN

RIPTA was honored to have members of the RI Judiciary at our headquarters recently as they gathered to mark the launch of their new "When Justice Works" campaign. The campaign, planned in partnership with the Center for Health and Justice Transformation, reaffirms the Judiciary's

commitment to justice, fairness and equal treatment for all litigants. So, what is the transit connection? The Judiciary chose to launch the campaign with bus advertisements because they recognize the importance of transportation and access for all court clients. We agree. We know firsthand that equal access can be crucial to obtaining equal justice.

#### **RIPTA IN THE COMMUNITY**

RIPTA's Commuter Resource RI team attended the Safe Streets of Providence Neighborhood Clean Up last month. We're thrilled to be back attending in person events! The event, hosted by Winn Residential Phoenix Apartments, brought the community together to clean up Cranston Street and make paths walkable. Our Transit Specialists were on hand to answer questions about riding with RIPTA and to encourage passengers to make the switch to Wave. Are you interested in having RIPTA participate at your event? Email commuter@ripta.com today! RIPTA Monthly Newsletter - August 2021



Rebecca Cruz, Community Coordinator for Phoenix Apartments smiles for the camera along with our Transit Specialist, Peter Michaud and a long time bicycle advocate, Betty Bourret



What makes these socks unique? They are all patterns from upholstery used on the London Tube. (And yes, we raided one of planner's sock drawers for this photo.)

## CALLING ALL TRANSIT FASHONISTAS

Nice socks! We recently noticed one of our planners wearing a particularly snazzy pair of socks, so we just had to inquire! And, of course, there was transit connection. The socks came from the London Transport Museum

where they have quite a variety of items which showcase the different patterns that they use on the Moquette fabric that covers the seats on their subway cars. Moquette is a tightly woven, carpet-like fabric which is extremely durable and often used for seat covers in public transportation.

We love that Londoners are such transit aficionados that the museum sells a lot more than socks in their Moquette patterns. You can order pillows, scarfs, travel bags, and yes, even sofas, made of your fabric from your favorite subway line. We should note that this is the same type of upholstery you will find on most RIPTA buses, although the patterns are different. **Click here** for a fun online visit to the London museum's Moquette collection.



## STILL USING PAPER FARE PRODUCTS?

Exchange your paper fare products today! As part of our transition to Wave, RIPTA's new smart fare technology, we will no longer accept paper fare products on board later this year.

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#### **RIPTA CELEBRATES VICTORY DAY – MONDAY, AUGUST 9**

RIPTA will operate all regular fixed-route buses and trolleys on a Sunday/Holiday schedule in observance of Victory Day. RIPTA offices will not be staffed on the holiday. RIPTA Flex Services, except for Route 210 (Kingston Flex Service) which will run on the holiday schedule, will not be available on August 9TH. The statewide RIde Program will operate only ADA trips on August 9TH. The Flex Service reservation line (1-877-906-FLEX) and the RIde reservation line (461-9760) will not be staffed on Monday. Regular service for both RIde and Flex will resume on Tuesday, August 10, 2021.



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