



Welcome

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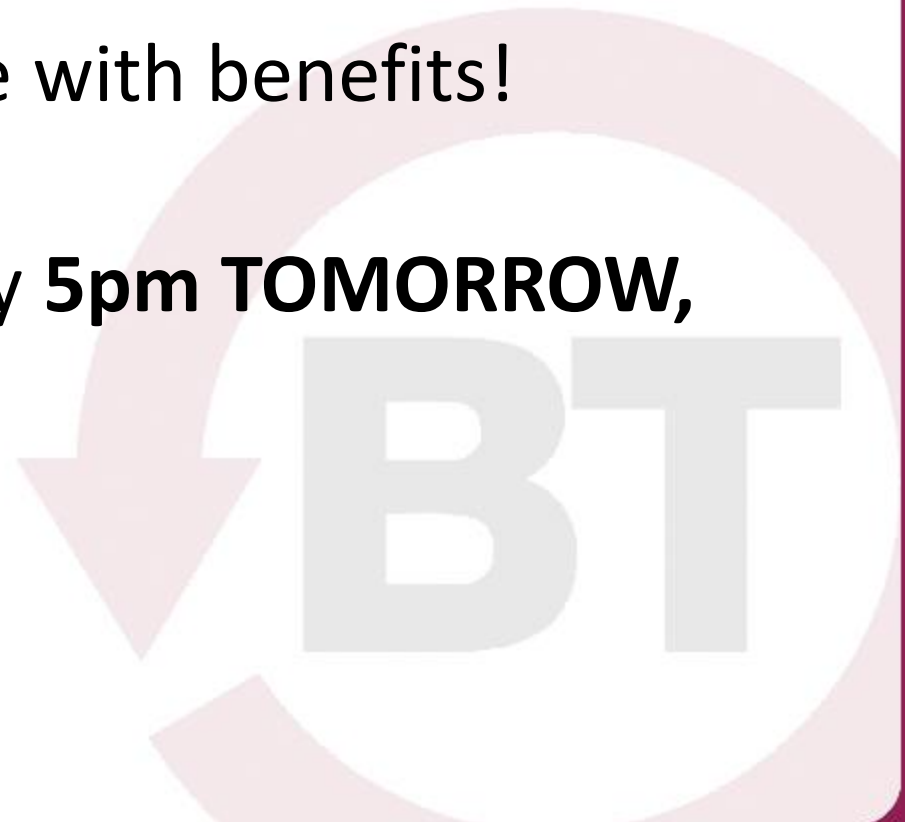
Training and Safety Coordinator





New Positions!

- Last chance to apply for **ACCESS III!**
- This position is fulltime with benefits!
- Applications are due by **5pm TOMORROW, MARCH 22nd!**





Welcome New Employees!

Operator I:

- Karen Michelsen
- Brian Smith
- August Reynolds
- Robert Barnes –
Welcome back!

Evening Dispatcher:

- Casey Kent





Passengers with Disabilities

Jenny Mills, Access Supervisor





What Passengers Need





Bicycle Updates

Erik Olsen, Transportation Planner





Roam NRV bike share





The bike . . .

7-speed grip shift

GPS controller
(w/keypad)

U-bar lock

Adjustable
seat

Light

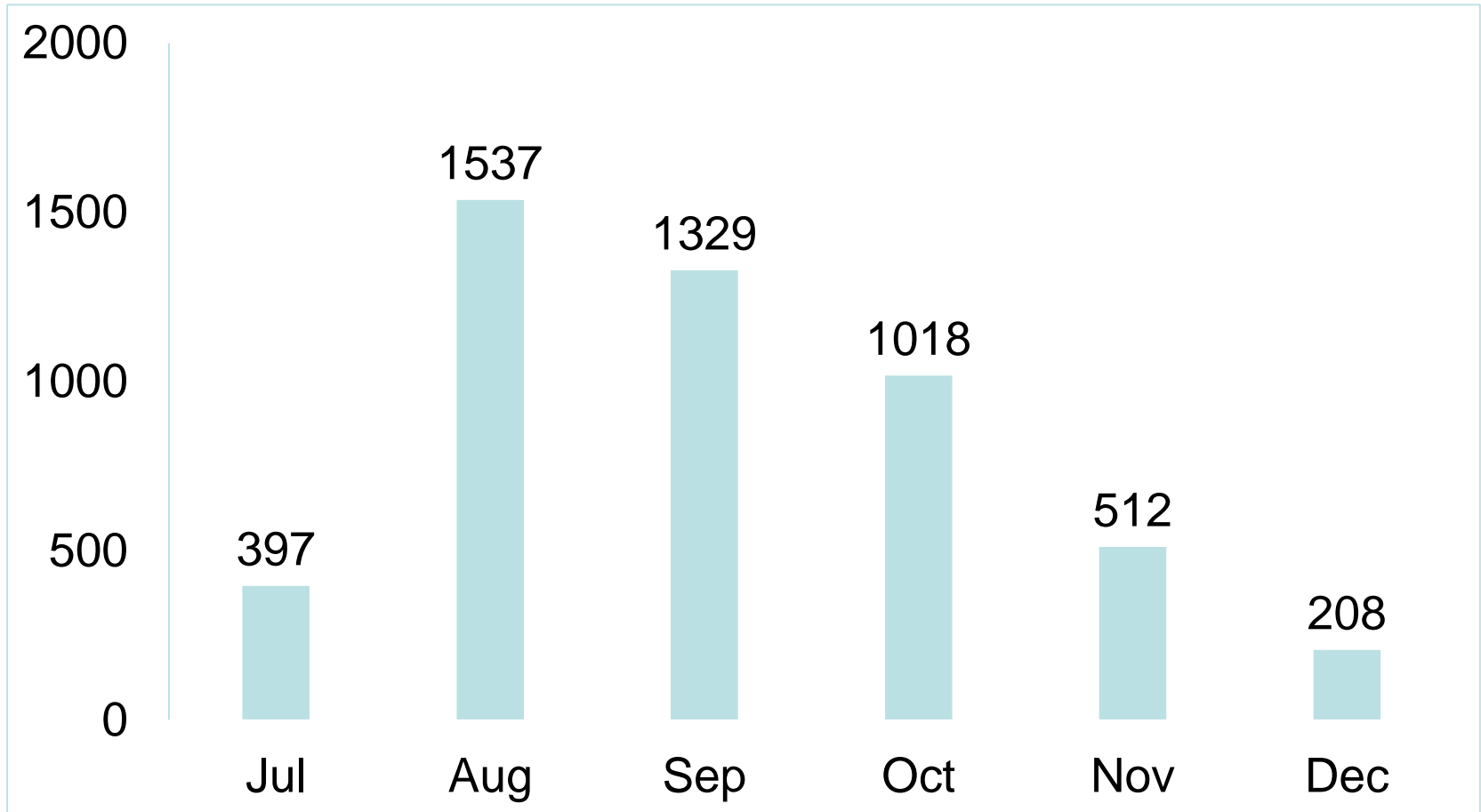


Hand and pedal brake

Belt drive

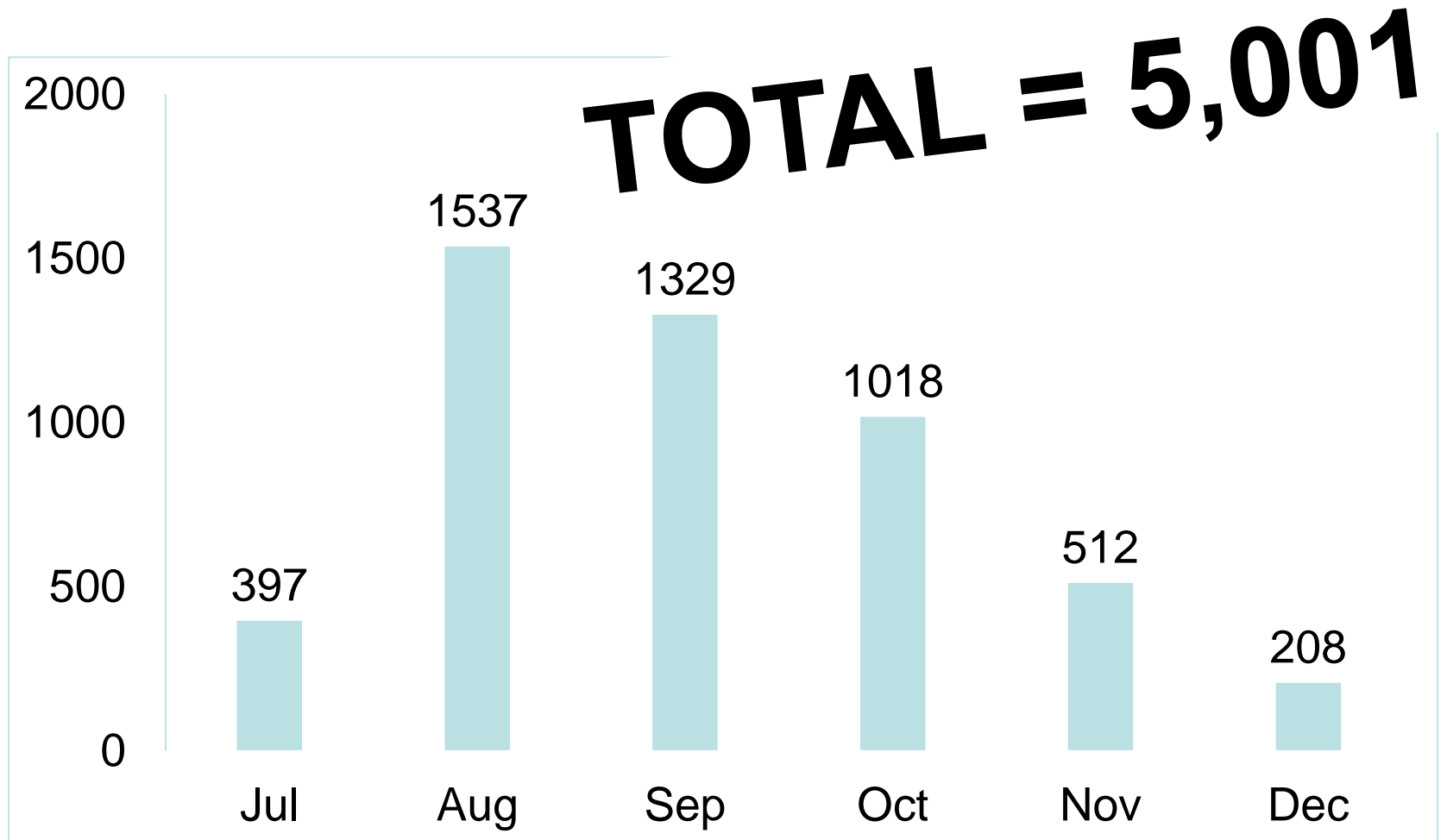


Bike share trips/month



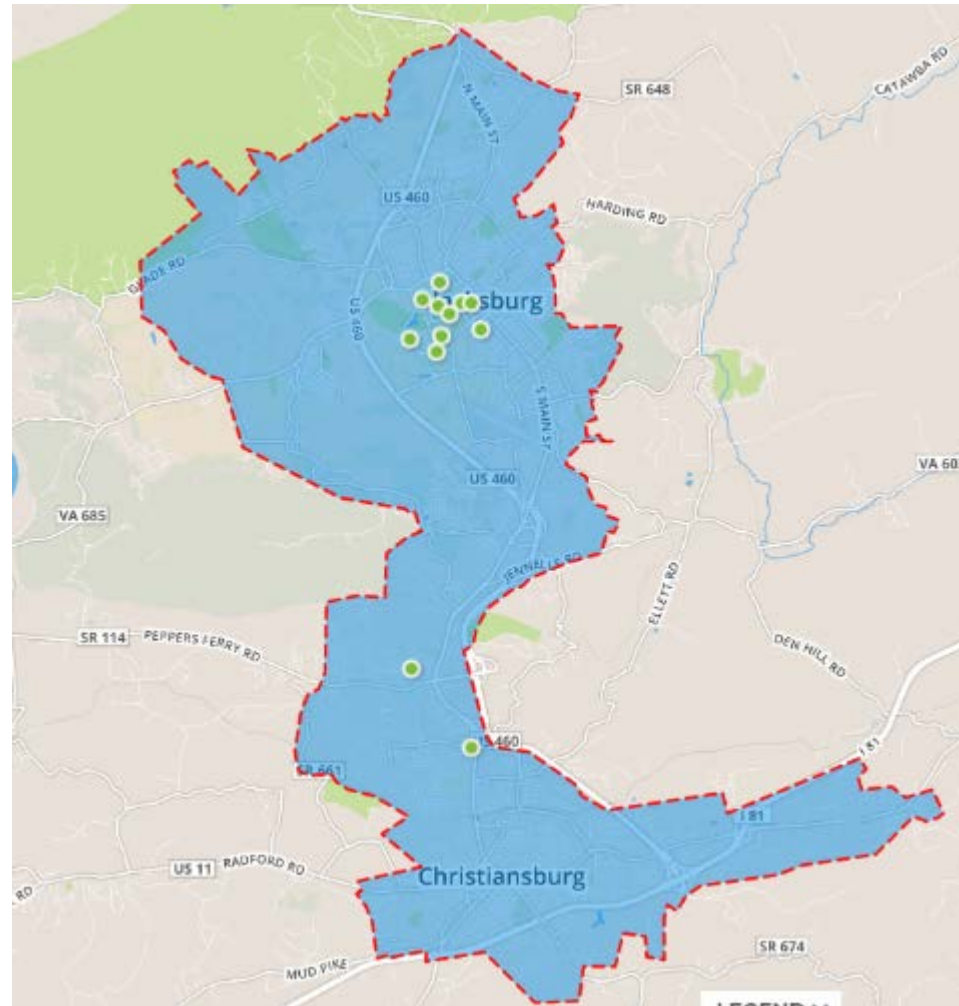


Bike share trips/month





gotchabike.com/roamnrv







Passing bicycles

- 3 foot rule – law went into effect in 2014
- Crossing the double yellow - law amended in 2015



3-foot passing law

§ 46.2-839. Passing bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, moped, animal, or animal-drawn vehicle.

“Any driver of any vehicle overtaking a bicycle, electric personal assistive mobility device, electric power-assisted bicycle, moped, animal, or animal-drawn vehicle proceeding in the same direction **shall pass at a reasonable speed at least three feet to the left** of the overtaken vehicle ...”



Double yellow line law

§ 46.2-804. Special regulations applicable on highways laned for traffic; penalty.

“Wherever a highway is marked with double traffic lines ... no vehicle shall be driven to the left of such lines, except to pass a pedestrian or a device moved by human power, including a bicycle, skateboard, or foot-scooter, **provided such movement can be made safely.**”



ITS Updates

Tim Witten, ITS Manager





ITS Project Updates

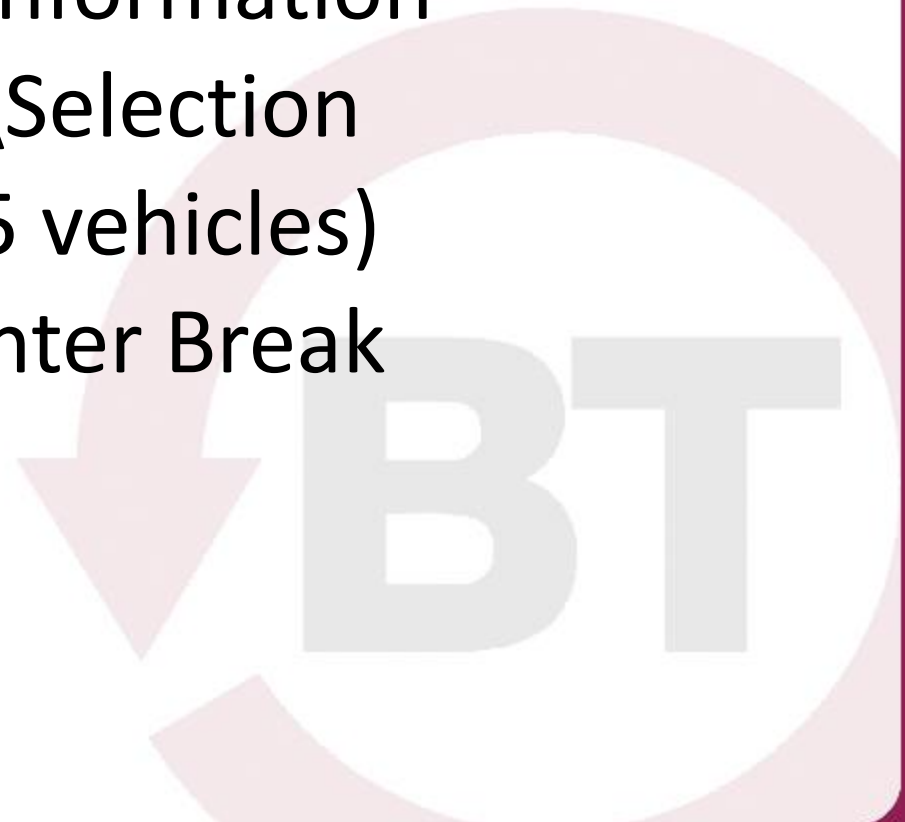
1. Ranger/T-Box Upgrades
 - a) Lag issue
 - b) Announcements
 - c) Next Steps





ITS Project Updates

2. Fare Automation
 - a) Hokie Passport Information
 - b) Systems Design\Selection
 - c) Pilot Project (4-5 vehicles)
 - d) Full install in Winter Break





ITS Project Updates

3. On-board Camera Installs

- a) ITS Project Updates
- b) On-board Camera Installs
- c) Policy Development
- d) Functional Specs - March
- e) RFP - April
- f) Install in July





ITS Project Updates

4. Camera Policy Discussion





Safety Corner

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WAI Cards

- Remember to fill out completely **before** leaving the lot (starting shift) or starting a shift on campus (BCDEF)
- Only fill out the shift you are **currently** on
- These are **official documents** that keep accurate documentation of the vehicle condition and protect you!

Blacksburg Transit		Pre-Trip Walk-Around Inspection	
SHIFT A			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Air Brakes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kneel/Ramp	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Radio Check	
OPERATOR'S AREA / INTERIOR		BUS: 6411	
Windshield / Windows		DATE: 3/21/19	
Gauges / Warning Lights		Route/Shift: 40A	
Horn		Operator	
Doors / Doorways		John Doe	
Windshield Wipers / Fluid		Lost & Found	
Mirrors		Route/Shift:	
Voice Announcements		Operator	
Destination / 10-Codes		Lost & Found	
Vehicle Registration / Pass		Route/Shift:	
Climate Control		Operator	
Aisle Lights		Lost & Found	
Extinguisher / Emergency Kit		Route/Shift:	
Emergency Triangles		Operator	
Chock Blocks / Tie-Downs		Lost & Found	
Hatches / Windows Secure		Route/Shift:	
Seats / Handrails Secure		Operator	
Brakes		Lost & Found	
Vehicle Cleanliness		Route/Shift:	
RIGHT SIDE		Operator	
Damage		Lost & Found	
Doors		Route/Shift:	
Destination Sign		Operator	
Tires / Lugs / Tread		Lost & Found	
Fuel Cap		Route/Shift:	
Lights		Operator	
REAR		Lost & Found	
Damage		Route/Shift:	
Destination Sign		Operator	
Clearance Lights		Lost & Found	
Brake Lights		Route/Shift:	
Reverse Indicators		Operator	
Rear / Side Panels Secure		Lost & Found	
Fluid Leaks		Route/Shift:	
LEFT SIDE		Operator	
Damage		Lost & Found	
Tires / Lugs / Tread		Route/Shift:	
Coolant Level		Operator	
Lights		Lost & Found	
FRONT		Route/Shift:	
Damage		Operator	
Destination Sign		Lost & Found	
Clearance Lights		Route/Shift:	
Headlights / Fog Lights		Operator	
Wipers / Mirrors Secure		Lost & Found	
Bike Rack Secure		Route/Shift:	



Signaling in Traffic Circles

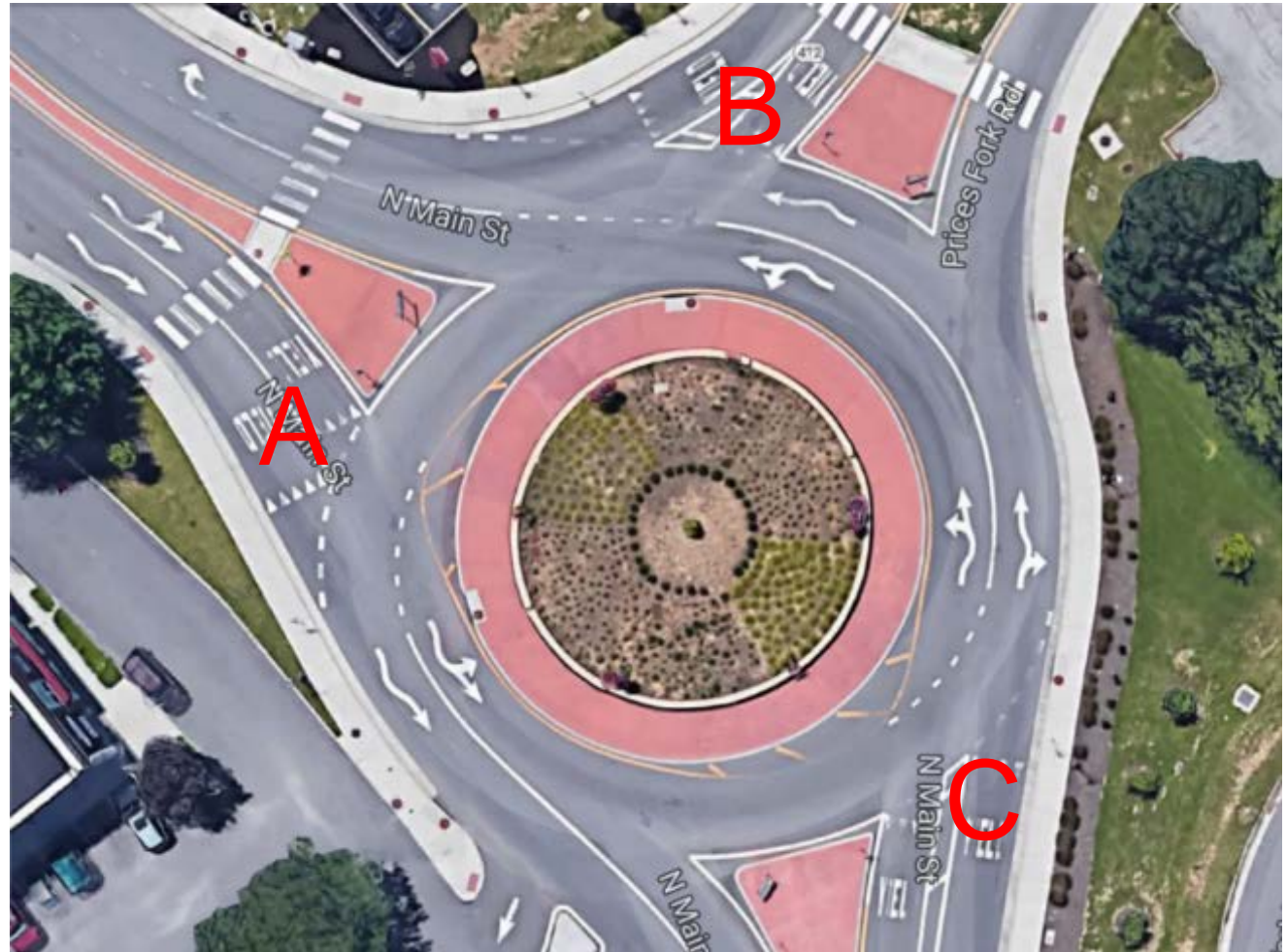
- Signal to communicate to traffic where you are going in the circle
- Communication with signals will help reduce the chance of accidents!





Main/Price's Fork

- MSN traveling southbound





West Campus/Washington

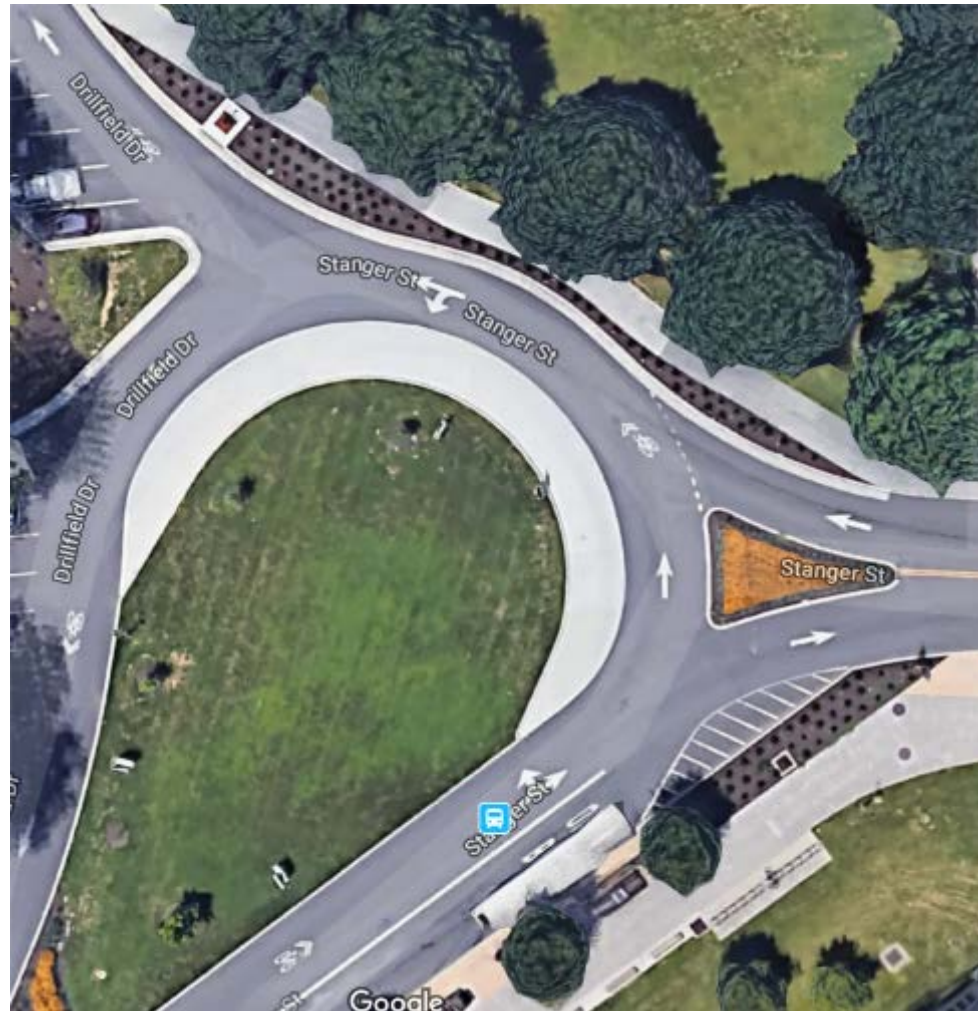
- CRC turning left onto Washington





Quiz Time!

- How should HDG signal around the teardrop to go to Burruss Hall?





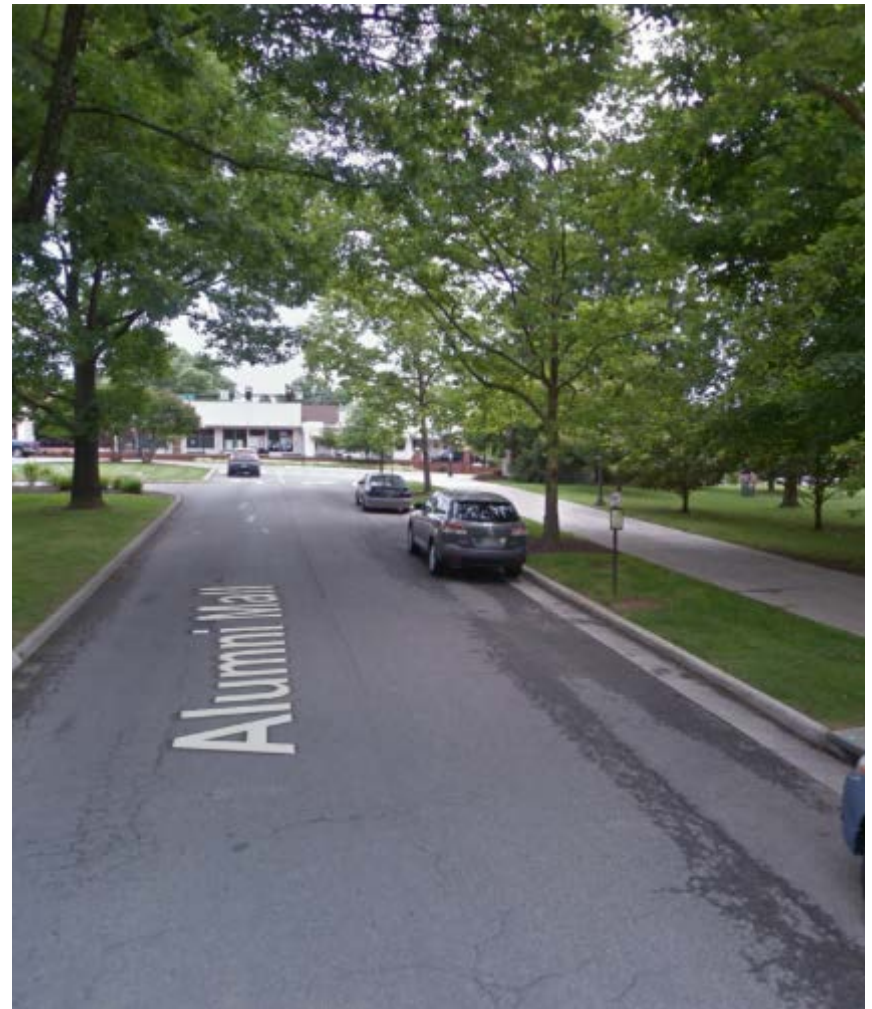
Signaling in Traffic Circles

- **Why** do we signal when cars don't signal?
 1. We aren't cars! We are professionals!
 2. **Smith System Key #5** says, "Make sure they see you!" – use signals to communicate!
 3. **TAPTCO's** (Transit and Paratransit Company) **LLLC**
 - Look ahead
 - Look around
 - Leave room
 - Communicate! - signals



First/Last Stop on Alumni Mall

- Do not forget to service this stop on either side of Alumni Mall!
- These are commonly missed stops ☹️
- **Passengers > Making the stoplight**





Passing Buses

- Where can we pass?
 - Timechecks
 - Pull-ins
- Tennis Courts on Washington Street is NOT a pull-in





Ascot Lane Timecheck

- Please remember to check behind your unit before you back up!
- **Why?** Doesn't everything behind my bus change by the time I get back to my seat?
 1. Yes, but we are looking for potential hazards that could be a problem by the time we start to back up like cars backing out of parking spaces, joggers, people walking dogs.
 2. You are always REQUIRED to look before you back up. This is no different at the Ascot Lane Timecheck.



Passenger Safety

- Please make sure **all passengers** are seated or securely holding onto a handrail before you move the bus.
- Some passengers could have pre-existing conditions that aren't visible to the eye such as pregnancy, disabilities, or injuries.
- Please make sure all children are removed from strollers before moving.



Passenger Safety

- “The next thing I knew the bus swung around a corner and I lost my balance and ended up on my back. It was immediately painful but he just ignored me.”

Wood, Alex. “Leeds bus passenger who broke her leg gets £32,000 payout after ‘rude’ bus driver ignored pleas for help.”
The Yorkshire Post, 15 March, 2019.

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Real Life @ BT

 [Redacted] reviewed Blacksburg Transit — 4★ ⋮

I have been riding for almost 4 years and I have had the pleasure to meet many helpful and kind people driving the buses. My only complaint is that some drivers do not follow safety guidelines of waiting for people to either be seated or secure by hanging onto the straps or bar provided before a driver leaves the stop. I am a pregnant woman and I no longer have good balance. If I am not secure, I could be thrown down and injure myself or my unborn child. While I understand the need for haste from the drivers to keep on schedule, the safety of the riders in your charge who are trusting you to get them safely to their destination should come first. Please be aware.

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 **Blacksburg Transit** [Redacted] - We'll send a reminder to all our operators about this! Thanks for bringing it to our attention.

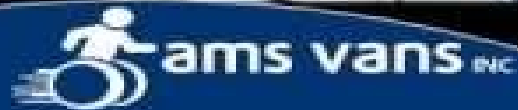


Wheelchair Securement

- Please make sure all wheelchairs are properly secured with the appropriate equipment.
- Make sure all equipment is present and functioning correctly.
- Wheelchairs should be secured with either the 3 point or 4 point system.
- If a bus is equipped with the 4 point system, then you must use all 4 points of securement.



“We never know.”





Line Instructors Only

- Remember to turn in your line instruction sheets **ASAP**
- Remember to sign them and write legibly
- Remember to fill them out completely!
- Want to be a line instructor? Email the Training Department today!! 😊😊😊



