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**NEWS RELEASE**

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**Re: Stratford Leads Successful Bid to Restore Inter-Regional Transit Service**

**Stratford, ON** – The City of Stratford is the sponsor recipient of a five year, \$1.45 million grant through the Province of Ontario's Community Transportation Grant Program.

The City of Stratford, together with Perth County and its municipalities, and the Town of St. Marys, plan to provide regular transit service between London, St. Marys, Stratford and Kitchener. Service between Listowel and Kitchener is also planned. Detailed route planning and fares remain to be finalized, and a bus carrier will be selected through a competitive process.

Routes will also be planned to coordinate with other transit systems, including GO train service from Kitchener to Toronto.

"This is a major addition of new infrastructure to our community for so many reasons," said Mayor Dan Mathieson. "We have been challenged by moving residents, employees and university students to and from Stratford. It will be up to us all to use and grow this system as riders, and we are grateful to the Province for this important investment."

Perth County, with Stratford and the same municipal partners, also led a successful bid for new service within the Stratford-Perth-St.Marys areas in a separate funding approval. Details will be announced as plans are refined.

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