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**Anoka County Soliciting Feedback on Transit Needs Study**

Anoka County is conducting a transit needs study and is reaching out to area businesses and residents — people who use transit and those who do not — for feedback.

Those who complete a survey for the study, found at <https://anoka-transit-wsbeng.hub.arcgis.com/>, can enter a drawing to win a \$100 gift card to a local retailer of their choosing. The survey will be available until the end of September. The study will evaluate the current state of transit in Anoka County; identify gaps and barriers to mobility; identify and quantify county resources used to provide transportation services; identify future transportation needs; and recommend strategies to address those needs.

The study will also assess the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on area transportation services.

“Community feedback and engagement is important to this project's success,” said Scott Schulte, chair, Anoka County Board of Commissioners. “The public has a voice in transportation decision making.”

For questions regarding this survey, contact Mark Schermerhorn, transit program coordinator, at [Mark.Schermerhorn@co.anoka.mn.us](mailto:Mark.Schermerhorn@co.anoka.mn.us) or 763-324-3108.

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