

## Copy of the Survey



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### **Extending the Use of School Buses for the Community Survey**

A Victorian government inquiry into expanding the use of school buses in rural and regional Victoria is seeking community input. The inquiry will look at the transport limitations experienced by rural and regional Victorians, particularly seniors, youth and low-income households and how school buses could be used to get more people connected socially and economically.

The purpose of this brief survey is to gather information from U3As in the regional and rural areas of Victoria, about the experience of your U3A members in accessing public transport. Your feedback will provide input to the submission from Network Victoria on extending mainstream bus services. The survey will need to be completed by Friday 18 June 2021 to allow Network to analyse the results and make a submission.

\* 1. U3A name:

\* 2. Distance to the closest main centre?

- Less than 5 kms
- 5 - 10 kms
- 10-20 kms
- 20 or more kms

\* 3. Shire or Local Council name:

\* 4. Is it convenient to use public transport to travel locally?

Yes

No

\* 5. What form of transport is mostly used to get to community activities such as U3A classes, shopping, socialising, religious services? Check all that apply

Car as driver

Car as passenger

Taxi

Bus

Train

Bike

Tram

Walk

\* 6. On what day(s) is it generally hardest to get to and from community activities? Check all that apply

- Monday
- Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Thursday
- Friday
- Saturday
- Sunday
- None of the above

\* 7. During what time(s) of the day is it generally hardest to get to and from community activities?  
Check all that apply

- Early morning (8:30 am or earlier)
- Morning (8:30 am-noon)
- Early afternoon (noon-3:00 pm)
- Late afternoon (3:00 pm-6:00 pm)
- Evening (6:00 pm -9:00 pm)
- Late night (9:00 pm or later)
- None of the above

\* 8. What makes it hard to attend community activities during the days and times identified in the questions above? Check all that apply

Family or friends not available to give me a lift

No public transport available

Travel time using public transport

Seat availability using public transport

Personal safety concerns

Affordability

Wheelchair access or mobility requirements

Other (please specify)

None of the above

\* 9. Has lack of reliable transport affected members from attending community activities?

Yes

No

\* 10. Would your members be more likely to attend community activities if they had a reliable and / or safe way to get there and back?

Yes

No

\* 11. If school buses were available for use when they are not being used by schools, would your members use that service?

Yes

No

\* 12. On what day(s) do you think your members would use this service? Check all that apply

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Monday    | <input type="checkbox"/> Friday            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday   | <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday  | <input type="checkbox"/> None of the above |

\* 13. During what time(s) do you think your members would use this service? (Check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Early morning (8:30 am or earlier) | <input type="checkbox"/> Late afternoon (3:00 pm–6:00 pm) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Early afternoon (noon–3:00 pm)     | <input type="checkbox"/> Late night (9:00 pm or later)    |

14. Additional comments:



Thank you for completing this survey.