



Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority

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MEMBERS NEEDED FOR YCAT COMMUNITY TRANSIT COMMITTEE

YUMA, AZ (January 8, 2014) - The Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority (YCIPTA) Board of Directors created the YCAT Community Transit Committee in October 2013. Its goal is to seek input from a broad range of riders on operational and other issues that affect the YCAT bus service and its customers. By providing direct input to management about customer perceptions of service, the YCAT Community Transit Committee recommends possible solutions to YCIPTA leadership and staff so that YCIPTA can effectively address the diverse concerns of and be more responsive to YCAT riders.

The YCAT Community Transit Committee is advisory in nature and provides advice regarding the following matters:

- Acts as a sounding board for policies and plans.
- Provides a communication link between the residents of the service area and YCIPTA Board of Directors.
- Recommends plans, policies and procedures to the YCIPTA Board of Directors.
- Promotes agency accountability.
- Form community partnerships.
- Addresses other public transit matters as requested by the Board of Directors or staff.

Citizen input is essential to the success of a transportation planning process. Since the general public is both the user and the financier of YCAT, it is important for the community to participate in identifying transportation issues and comment on potential alternatives.

YCIPTA is looking for 11 excited YCAT riders that is interested in joining the YCAT Community Transit Committee. If the selected to serve on the committee, YCIPTA staff will make a recommendation to the YCIPTA Board of Directors for appointment to this committee to serve staggered two year terms at a Board meeting in February.

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Applications are being taken through Friday, January 31, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining this committee, please download an application and either email it to: jandoh@ycipta.az.gov, fax to: (928) 783-0309 mail it to: John Andoh, Transit Director, YCIPTA, 2715 East 14th Street, Yuma, AZ 85365-1900.

For more information, please call (928) 539-7076, ext 237.

For YCAT transit information and YCAT OnCall reservations call 928-783-2235. Interested parties can also visit the YCAT online at www.ycat.az.gov.

About Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority

YCIPTA is the public transportation provider for Yuma County, formed as an intergovernmental public transportation authority as defined in the Arizona Revised Statutes by the Yuma County Board of Supervisors, YCIPTA is governed by a nine member Board of Directors consisting of all of the municipalities, the County government, Indian tribes and higher educational institution in Yuma County. 381,000 passengers' trips were made on YCAT buses in FY 2013. YCIPTA operates, maintains and administers Yuma County Area Transit (YCAT) fixed route, deviated fixed route, vanpool and paratransit services and contracts services to Transportation Concepts of Irvine, CA, vRide of Troy, MI and Enterprise Rideshare of Tempe, AZ. See where it takes you at www.ycat.az.gov or call 928.783.2235.

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