

### LONDONDERRY SENIOR TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

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### **BACKGROUND**

- 1. The Town of Londonderry cares about & values their SENIOR population.
- 2. Londonderry has been part of **CART** <u>Cooperative Alliance for Regional</u> <u>Transportation</u> for 10+ years.
- 3. Londonderry participates in an Age-Friendly Community initiative.
- 4. While focusing on the demographics of the growing population of Seniors/Baby Boomers; Londonderry took steps to get ahead of that curve. Via Londonderry Town Ballot Vote the town passed funding to hire a Part-Time Senior Transportation Coordinator. (June 2019)



#### THE IDEA FOR THE SURVEY



After many conversations with senior residents, town employees and other stakeholders, It became clear that there were different levels of:

- Miscommunication / Misconceptions
- False Information being circulated
- Negativity
- Difficulty understanding details of several different programs
- Lack of Awareness of Senior Transportation available in Londonderry

#### In reference to:

- CART (on multiple levels )
- The Town of Londonderry for lack of Transportation (False Claims)
- Public Transportation (Multiple Barriers to using it)
- Other Senior related concerns





### PURPOSE OF THIS SURVEY

### 1. To answer the following questions:

- Do seniors know about ALL types of <u>Public Transportation Options</u> in the town of Londonderry?
- If so, Do they utilize the services?
- **2. To provide Education & Awareness** of *ALL* Public Transportation Services available in Londonderry.

<sup>\*</sup> When the survey was organized, we considered removing the word **SENIOR** from the title.



#### MARKETING EFFORTS



#### **August 2019**

- Survey was launched at LONDONDERRY OLD HOME DAYS
- A story about the survey was placed in the LOCAL NEWSPAPERS (Multiple times)

#### September 2019

- PAPER SURVEYS were available at:
  - Leach Library
  - Londonderry Town Hall
  - Londonderry Senior Center
- ONLINE VERSION launched on Survey Monkey
  - Survey link posted on the Londonderry Town Website
  - Survey link advertised around Town (Newspapers, At ALL 3 locations, Other around town)
- POSTCARDS were created as short-term marketing for survey LINK and long-term marketing for CART



### POSTCARD MARKETING PIECE



#### LONDONDERRY SENIOR TRANSPORTATION SURVEY

In an effort to gather and share information with the residents of the Town of Londonderry, we are conducting a survey with regard to the varied transportation programs and services currently available in Londonderry.

-As always, thank you for your support!

To take the survey, type the following link in to your internet browser by 10/31/19:

tiny.cc/seniortransit



#### PAPER SURVEYS are available at:

\*Londonderry Senior Center \*Leach Library \*Londonderry Town Hall



Please direct questions to:

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For more information or to schedule a Trip, Call

(603) 434-3569







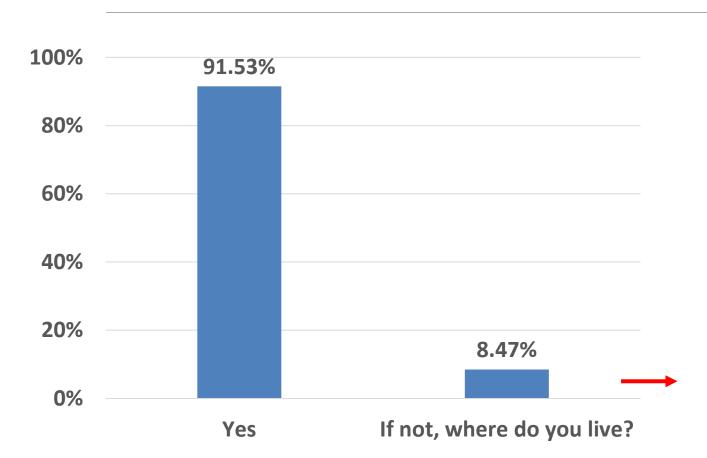


426 SURVEYS WERE TAKEN





## Question: Are you a Londonderry Resident? (425 Responses)

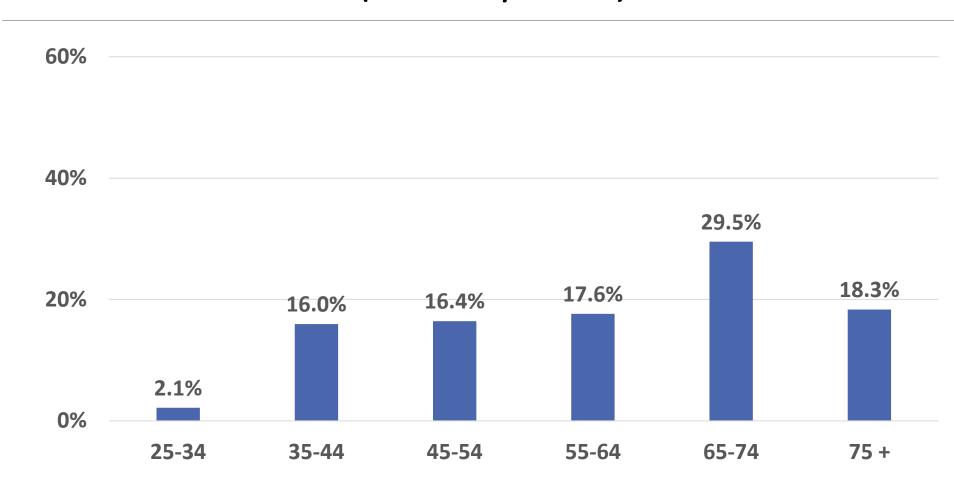


Town	# of Survey Respondents
Derry	17
Manchester	6
Litchfield	5
Windham	2
Bedford	1
Goffstown	1
Hudson	1
Nashua	1
Sandown	1
Stratham	1





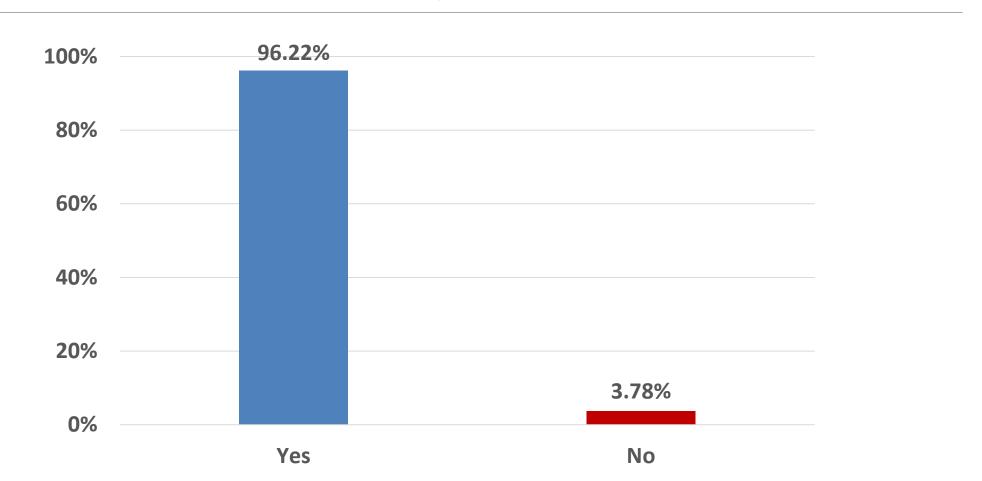
## Question: What is your Age? (420 Responses)







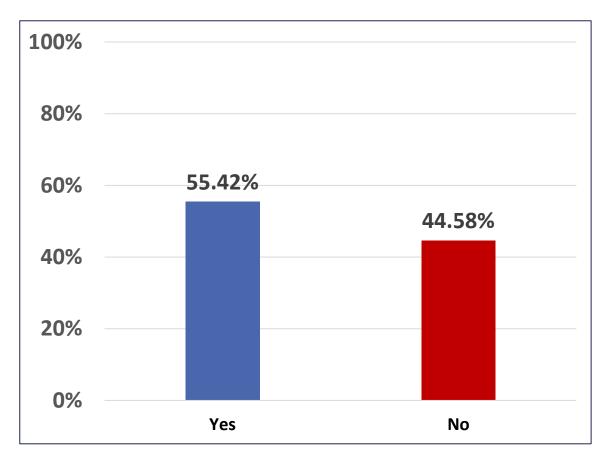
## Question: Do you hold a current, valid NH Driver's License? (423 Responses)



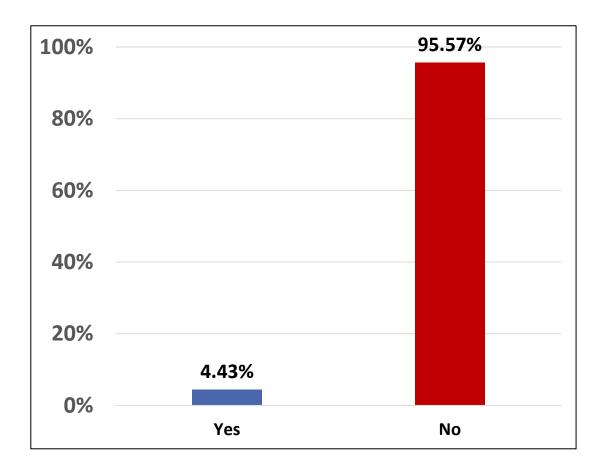




## Have you heard of CART: Cooperative Alliance for Regional Transportation SHARED RIDE Program? (424 Responses)



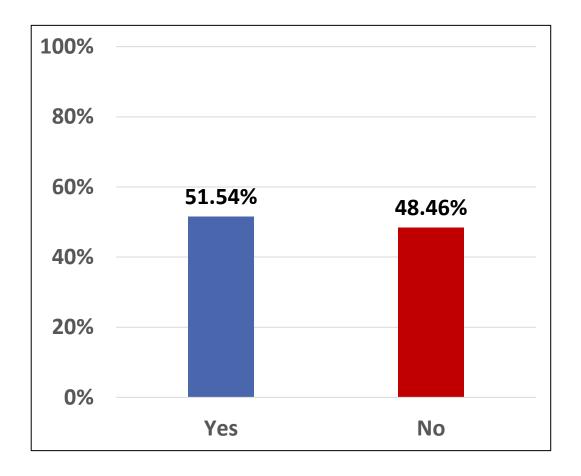
### If Yes, have you ever shared a ride on a CART bus/shuttle? (316 Responses)



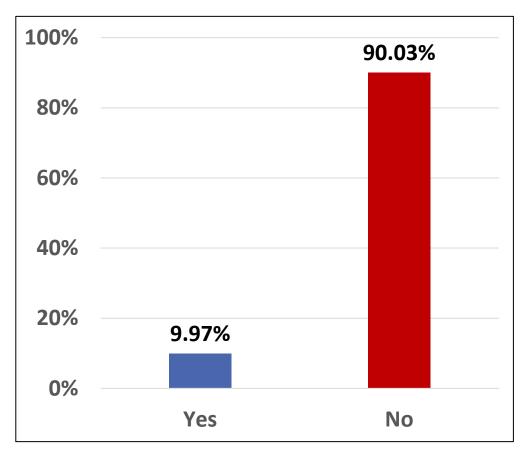




### Have you heard about Community Caregivers? (421 Responses)



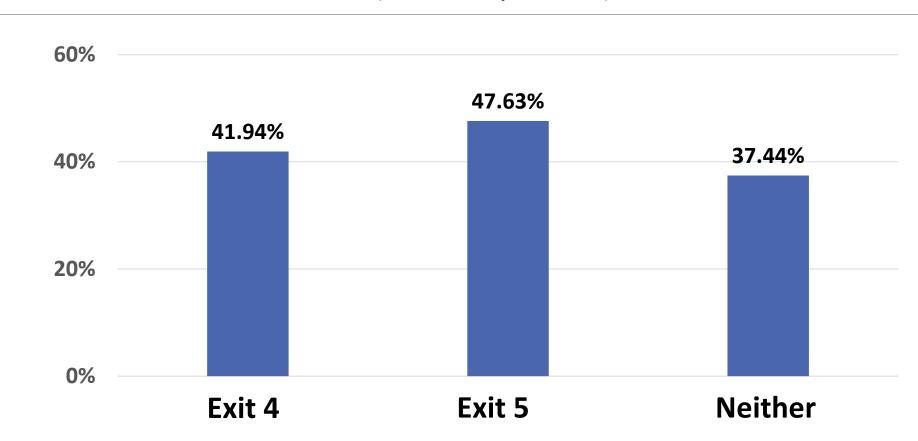
## If yes, have you ever used any of Community Caregivers' Services? (311 Responses)







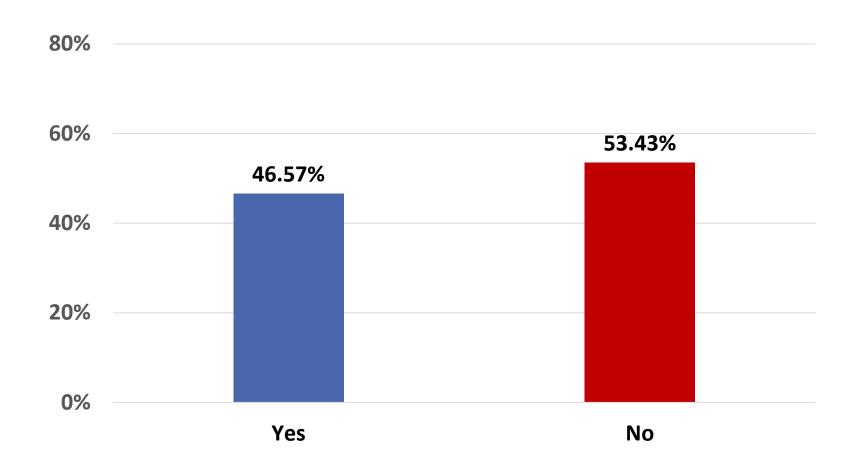
## Question: Have you ever utilized the Londonderry Park & Ride? (422 Responses)







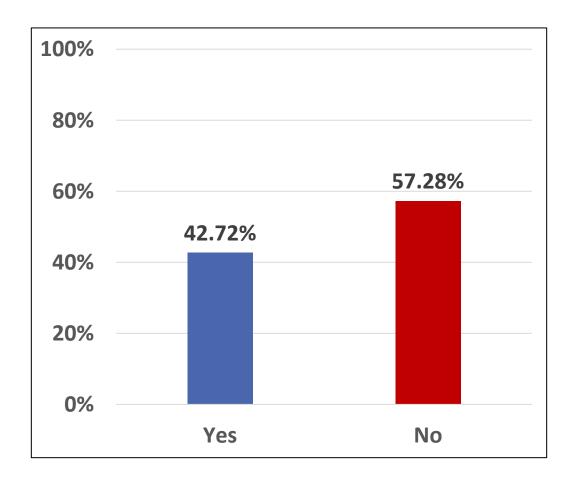
## Question: Have you ever hired Uber or another Private Ride Service? (423 Responses)



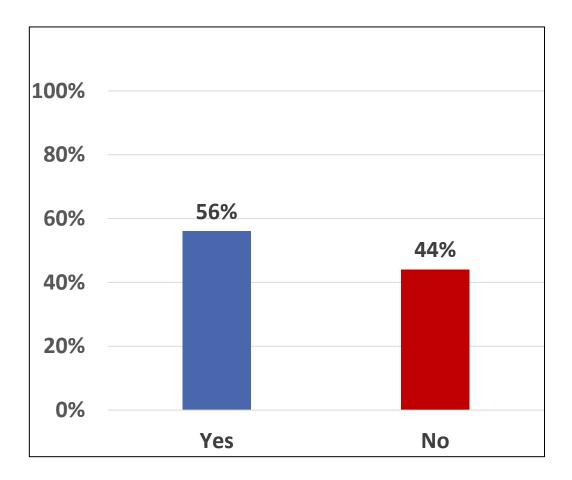




### Have you ever taken a Concord Coach Bus? (412 Responses)



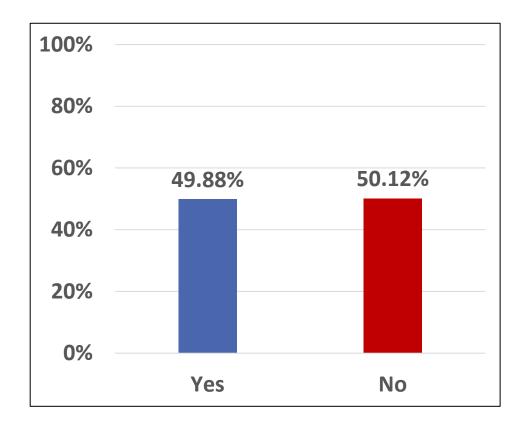
### Have you ever taken a Boston Express Bus? (416 Responses)



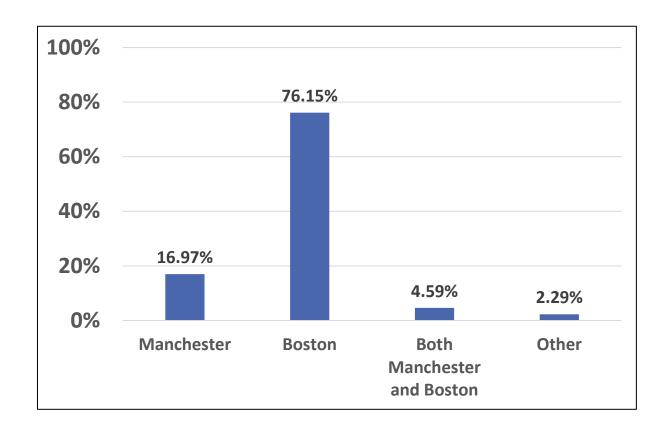




### Have you ever taken an airport shuttle ride to the airport? (413 Responses)



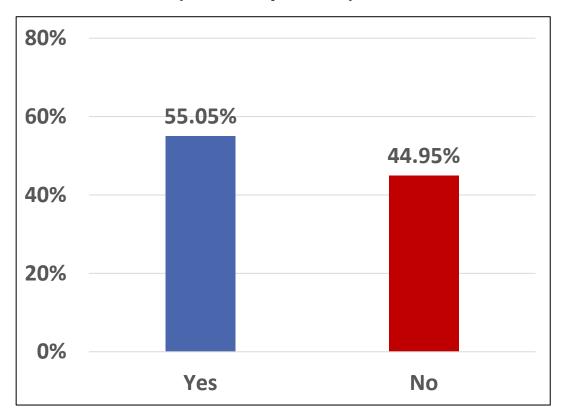
### If yes, which airport did you go to? (218 Responses)



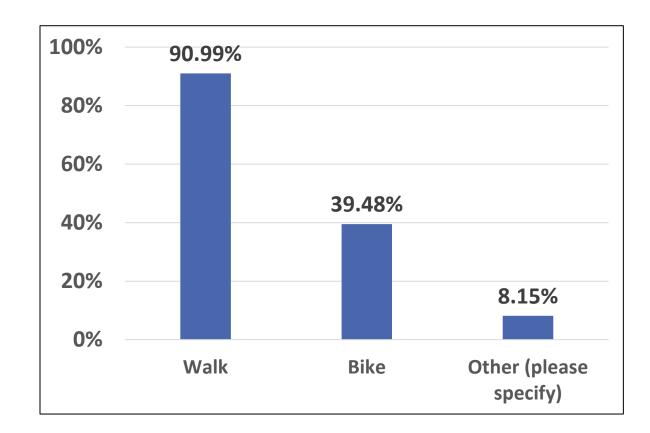




## Have you utilized the Londonderry Rail Trail system? (416 Responses)



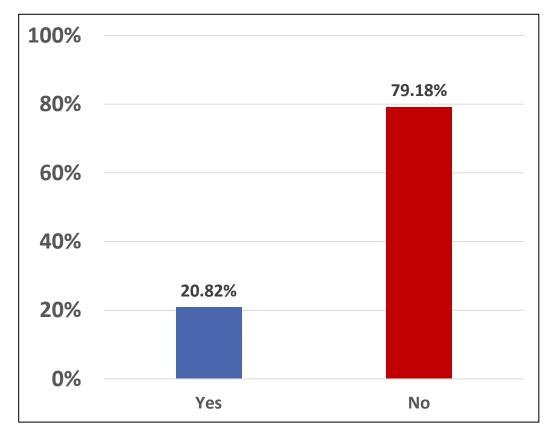
### If yes, how do you utilize the rail trail? (233 Responses)



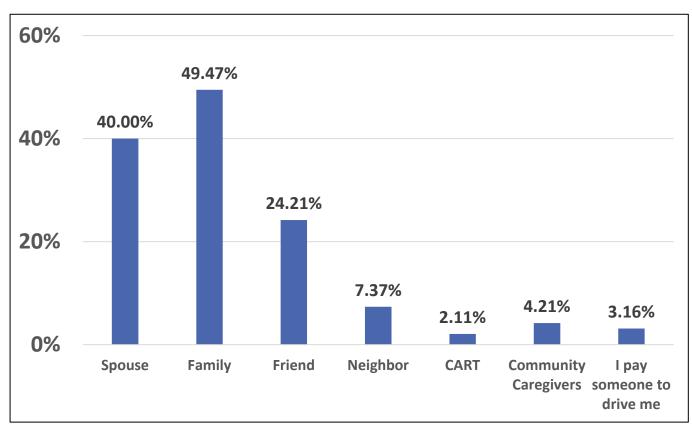




## Does someone else give you rides to appointments/shopping/other? (413 Responses)



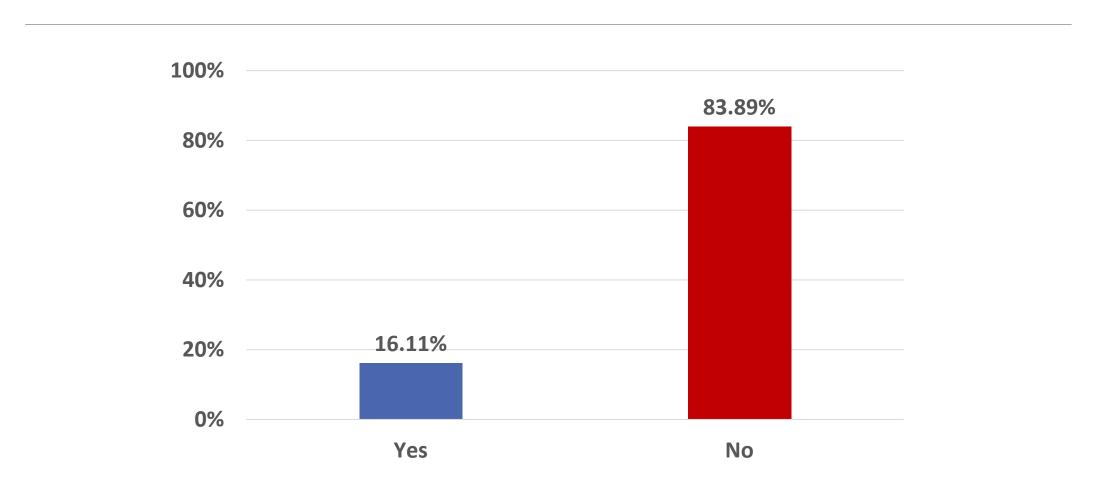
### If yes, what is the driver's relationship to you? (95 Responses)







## Are you a member of the Londonderry Senior Center? (423 Responses)

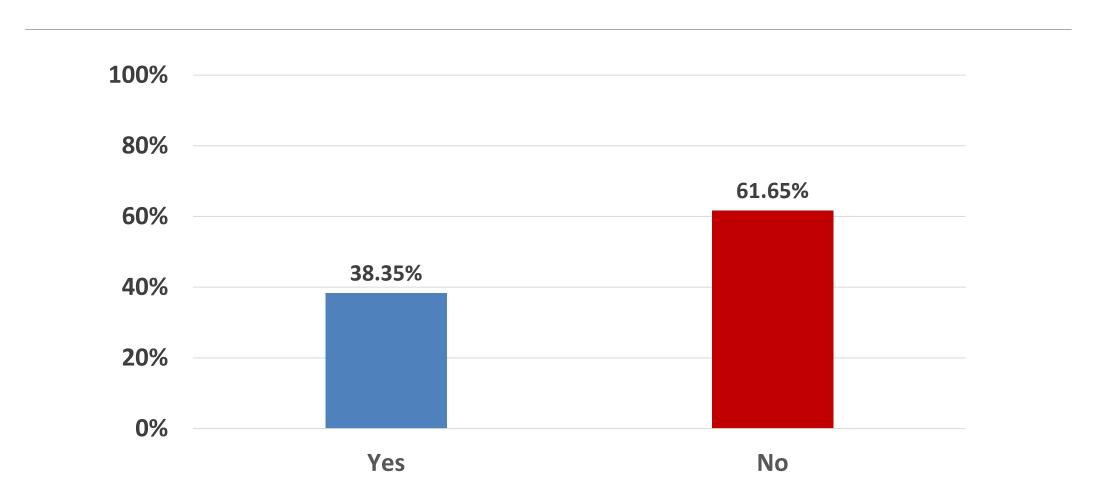


<sup>\*</sup>We asked this question to help gauge our marketing efforts outside of the Senior Center.





Would you be interested in attending an Informational Presentation about the different types of public and private transportation services available in Londonderry & surrounding communities? (399 Responses)









### **FEEDBACK NUMBERS**

The survey was anonymous unless the participant left a question or a comment at the end.

**Total Survey Responses - 426** 

Feedback Comments/Questions (at end of survey)

- Total 31
- Name & # only 21
- Comment or Question 10



### DID WE ANSWER THE QUESTIONS WE HAD?





### 1. To answer the following questions:

- Do Seniors know about ALL public transportation options in the town of Londonderry?
- If so, Do they utilize the services?
- **2. To provide education & awareness** of *ALL* public transportation services\_available in Londonderry.



### **OBSERVATIONS**



- The perception is that Seniors in Londonderry know about CART because it has been around for over 10+ years is <u>FALSE</u>.
- Community Caregivers is also relatively unknown.
- The survey DID serve to educate seniors about ALL forms of <u>Public</u>
   <u>Transportation</u> available in Londonderry.
- The survey **promoted conversation** about transportation among town employees, seniors, and others.





### BARRIERS TO USING PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

- Fear of public transit from past experiences
- Fear of the unknown / new situations
- Perception that "It's dirty"
- Uncomfortable around strangers/other riders
- Judgement (human nature)
- Pride
- \*Negative peer pressure/other's fear or caregiver's thoughts

- Don't know "HOW TO SET UP" a ride and/or with who?
- \*Understanding the "TIMING" of Public Transportation
- Overwhelmed by the thought of boarding bus with walker/wheelchair
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- \*Lack of ability to go where they want/when they want
- Medical conditions (Mobility and other)



### **NEXT STEPS**



#### No current plans for future in depth survey

- Survey Burnout!
- We answered the BIG questions we were seeking to answer
- We feel good about our #'s and results

#### **Future Presentation to Seniors/Others**

- What CART is and isn't?
- What is Community Caregivers?
- What other Transportation Resources are available in Londonderry?

#### Possible Transportation Resource Guide for Seniors/Others

IN PRINT, STEP BY STEP GUIDE

#### **Idea: Senior TOUCH-A-TRUCK**

### THANK YOU TO THE



It is with deep gratitude and sincere appreciation we thank **Sylvia von Aulock** and everyone at the **SNHPC** for their generous support, guidance and resources to support this survey project.

Special thanks to **Maddie Dilonno** for her time, energy and expertise to help create the online version of the survey, the outreach postcard and assist us with THIS POWERPOINT!



# Leach Library Londonderry Town Hall

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John Goglia: Who helped us reach out to the 55+ Communities in Londonderry

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