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PA RTA highlights safety initiatives through statewide Ride Easy Ohio campaign

Kent, Ohio – Thursday, October 1, 2020 – Safety remains a top priority for public transportation providers. As such, PA RTA has joined with the Ohio Public Transit Association (OPTA) in launching Ride Easy Ohio. The campaign highlights safety initiatives aiming to maintain public transportation as a safe and viable option during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Throughout the state of Ohio, transit systems are taking significant steps to help prevent the spread of COVID-19. PA RTA has adopted best practices such as wearing facial coverings, practicing social distancing when possible, cleaning and sanitizing vehicles and facilities, practicing safe hygiene, and employee self-monitoring. In addition, transit systems are working closely with local and state health agencies to develop policies and procedures in conjunction with guidelines issued by governing municipalities.

“PA RTA is pleased to be a part of Ride Easy Ohio to bring awareness to safety initiatives that keep public transit as a viable option during these unprecedented times. The health and safety of our riders, along with the ability to maintain our critical public transit services, is job one for us each day. This campaign will support the message of how important safety is to us, so PA RTA riders can stay connected,” said PA RTA General Manager and OPTA President Claudia Amrhein.

OPTA recognizes the vital role public transit has played during the pandemic. Ohioans can ride easy knowing public transit systems will continue prioritizing the safety and well-being of passengers and employees. For more information about Ride Easy Ohio, visit https://www.ohioneedstransit.org/ride-easy-ohio.

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