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#### GO PORTSMOUTH NEW HAMPSHIRE & THE SEACOAST

# On-Demand Mobility for the City of Portsmouth





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# Introduction to Via



The car has been the dominant mode of transport for a century... ...but we've reached a breaking point

Via was founded to address this problem



Via's mission is to build and deploy technology to improve public mobility



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#### Traditional public transit

- Fixed route
- Sparse network of static physical bus stops
- Expensive, slow-moving vehicles





#### Via: on-demand public transit

- Dynamic routes, adapt to real-time traffic and demand
- Dense network of virtual bus stops
- Infrastructure = data
- Low operating cost, rapid deployment





## Best-in-class public mobility technology

- 250+ engineers & data scientists
- >70mm rides to hone algorithm
- Virtual bus stops
- Al-based predictive routing
- Proprietary map technology











Manhattan Utilization1





Uber luft

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# Across deployments, Via's technology has been shown to drive significant efficiencies



Legacy service

Via

(1) Based on 60-min loop. Excludes 1-hour during AM/PM weekday peak with 30-min loop. Note: Utilization and cost figures estimated based on best available information.

# We can deploy our technology flexibly, to best serve the needs of our partners

#### Consumer Two-sided marketplace

for riders and drivers



#### Transit-as-a-Service (TaaS)

Turnkey mobility solution operated by Via



#### Software-as-a-Service (SaaS)

Licensing to public transit agencies and operators



2M+ Rides per month 70M+ Rides since first launch 20+

Countries



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# Via's technology is deployed across the globe in partnership with cities, public transit authorities, and corporations



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## Our partners are the world's leading organizations



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# Our technology supports a broad range of public mobility services – example: school buses





Washington Unified School District

Launched school bus service in West Sacramento: Summer 2019 Via selected to manage nation's largest school bus system (9,500 buses)

**Department of Education** 







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#### **Technology Overview**

Enable your agency to modernize and meet shifting rider expectations



# **Rider Application**

Used to request rides and track vehicles in real-time, customized for Portsmouth

# **Operations Center**

Used to manage second-by-second operations

# **Driver Application**

Turn-by-turn directions, ride assignment and support

## **Data & Analytics Suite**

FTA compliance reporting, daily ridership reports, custom reports and more



#### **Data Sharing Overview**

Via understands the value of data for transit providers. You have access to robust reports catered to all needs; from monthly executive summaries to day-to-day ridership reports.

# It's Your Data

**We understand rider psychology** -- because we've completed over 50 million rides on our own on-demand service, we know what it takes to acquire and retain riders.

**Comply with regulators --** with pre-built reports required for FTA/NTD reporting and any other regulation entity.



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We looked at 10 different vendors and chose Via. Via is by far the best data sharer in the industry, in particular **providing** origin and destination data and they listen and incorporate our requests for dashboard updates.

- A California City Partner of Via



# Case Studies



# Use Cases for Via's Technology

#### First/Last mile









Emergency



King County METRO

Seattle, WA

First/last mile connection to 5 light rail stations in South Seattle fully integrated into the ORCA fare payment system **D** • **BASF** We create chemistry

#### Ludwigshafen, Germany

On-demand shuttle solution for the largest integrated chemical complex in the world. THE PAPID

#### Grand Rapids, MI

On-demand paratransit service to qualifying passengers and their assistants in the metro area



On-demand service replaced the city's previous fixed route bus service



Respond to scheduled & unscheduled train interruptions with a dispatched on-demand service



### Senior Mobility: Newton, MA "NewMo"

#### **Service Overview**

- Newton in Motion ("NewMo") is a government subsidized rideshare program that replaces the old taxi voucher program
- Seniors can book a ride through the Via app or can call a number to reserve (ride will be there within 5 to 30 minutes)
- All riders are charged \$5 per ride but people with Massachusetts health benefits are charged 50 cents per ride
- The service operates Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to noon
- Passengers are transported in vans and wheelchairaccessible vehicles

I want seniors to be able to stay in Newton and thrive. Reliable, safe, affordable transportation is a key to giving people options for staying involved in their community as they phase out driving. **This is a ground-breaking program that I really think can be a game-changer.** 

- Newton Mayor Ruthanne Fuller



## **Case Study – Arlington, Texas** Replaced Fixed Bus Line





#### Video featuring Mayor Jeff Williams

#### Service specifications:

- End-to-end on-demand service in the US's largest city without a fixed route transit network
- Via built a flexible, customizable, and cost effective solution to optimize for CentrePort train station
- Expanded in 2018 to include door to door for seniors
- Area cities passed resolution expanding service



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- Software as a Service deployment for an exclusive paratransit service
- Operated in partnership with The Rapid, aims to use technology to eliminate core service mobility gaps
- Reserved for seniors, persons with disabilities and veterans across Grand Rapids
- Launched in partnership with Michigan Mobility Challenge funded by the Michigan DOT
- Currently 5 WAV vans
- Fares are \$3.50 with PCAs riding for free



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Via formed a new paratransit deployment in partnership with Michigan's The Rapid. Called "Rapi on Demand," the new network is on of the first times an American transit



# **On-Demand Campus Shuttle**



#### Harvard University

On-demand shuttle bus service located on the Harvard campus to enable students, faculty, and staff to move around efficiently at night.

	Launch	Summer 2018
	Number of vehicles	4
Q O	Total trips to date	40,000



"Reporting was always a challenge with Transloc. With Via's integration with Tableau we get so much more data that allows us to make sure our users are getting the type of service that they expect."

"Switching to Via gave us a 30% increase in ridership in the first month and it hasn't stopped since."

# West Sacramento On-Demand

- An end-to-end flexible transportation service, Via provides vehicle, drivers, software, data sharing and administration
- Connecting transit hubs with key community and employment destinations
- Complementing planning and redevelopment priorities by converting residents to active, car-free lifestyles
- Service customizations and marketing campaigns for limited mobility populations, including wheelchair-accessible Mercedes-Benz vehicles

Rider 6-Month survey results:

- 66% of respondents felt safer getting around town 0
  - 59% had a greater rate of independence (youth and seniors Ο especially)
  - 50% are using the service over Uber/Lyft with reduction 0 in VMT from riders shifting from Uber/Lyft





run-rate annual ridership

4.5

average per-hour utilization

min average wait time

4.9 avg rider rating (out of 5)



### King County Metro FMLM to 5 light rail stations

- Launched in April 2019, experiencing rapid growth in Month 1
- First/Last mile service connecting commuters to 5 light rail train stations
- Partnership with Sound Transit and the City of Seattle; part of the **FTA MoD Sandbox Program**
- Integration with **ORCA fare system** to facilitate seamless adoption and ride experience for existing public transit riders







# Vision for Portsmouth



# Service Zone and Vehicles



Size: ~16 sq. mi (Downtown ~2.5 sq. mi)

POIs: Downtown, McIntyre Federal Building, Pease Airport, C&J Busline, Hannaford

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATOR	DEFINITION	PORTSMOUTH SIMULATION RESULTS
Capacity	At scale, the number of rides each fleet size can accommodate.	5-vehicles: 15-25 rides / hour 10-vehicles: 40-80 rides / hour 15-vehicles: 150-195 rides / hour
Ridership	At scale, the number of rides per vehicle-hour, a measure of service efficiency.	3.0 - 13.0 rides / vehicle-hour
Average Wait Time	The average time between ride booking and pickup.	4-8 minutes
Average Trip Duration	The average time between boarding and alighting the vehicle.	7-15 minutes
Average Walking Distance	The average distance riders were asked to walk to the pickup location.	70-90 meters
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# Service Simulation



# **Potential Partners**

Developers / Projects	Local Employers / Hotels	Transit Operators
<ul> <li>Kane Company – Portsmouth Federal Building project</li> <li>Pease Development Authority – On-prem and connecting services</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Juliet Marine Systems</li> <li>Kittery Naval Shipyard</li> <li>Lonza, Novocure and Optive</li> <li>Courtyard, Sheraton, Residence Inn etc.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>C&amp;J Bus – First/last mile service to Portsmouth/Pease hub</li> <li>COAST bus – Fist/last mile to Portsmouth/Pease Tradeport</li> </ul>

# Opportunity to bolster COAST Service through First-Last Mile Feed





# Best-in-class operations platform

### avis budget group



# Reports and Shared Data



#### Customer Feedback Dashboard



#### Daily Report





#### Utilization - Daily Trend Utilization - Hourly JO Utilization - Hourl

#### And more including:

- Growth Dashboard
- Rides Table
- Daily Reports
- Bespoke reports

Via's experienced data science team will provide high-touch support and bespoke reports upon request

#### Efficiency Dashboard

# Via's Streamlined Launch Methodology

	GOALS	CORE TASKS
PHASE I Scoping & Design	Service Strategy & Tech Input	<ul> <li>Service Zones</li> <li>App / Tech Input</li> <li>Marketing Strategy</li> <li>Operational/Fleet Strategy</li> </ul>
PHASE II Execution	Tech Development & Marketing / Operations Execution	<ul> <li>App &amp; System Development</li> <li>Routing / Mapping</li> <li>Marketing Execution</li> <li>Operational Execution</li> <li>Set up 3rd party tools</li> </ul>
PHASE III Testing	Testing & Training	<ul> <li>App QA</li> <li>Field Testing</li> <li>Driver / Customer Support Training</li> </ul>

# Full Partner Support

#### **Rider support**

- Live support by calling or texting member service agents who can resolve cast member issues
- Email support for non-urgent issues
- Dedicated online FAQ
- Phone booking for non-smartphone users



- Onboarding and in-person training
- Cultural sensitivity training
- Dedicated, Portsmouth based
   operations manager
- Live SMS / phone support

# We are Committed to our Partners' Success

Regular and Fixed Meetings	Technical Support	Analytics and Consulting
<ul> <li>Review system performance and KPI's</li> <li>Scope new strategy and marketing initiatives for growth</li> <li>Set strategy for, key initiatives, and needs for upcoming months</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ticketing system to address technical support</li> <li>Ex: Routing questions, pick-up/drop-off point updates, turn restrictions, etc.</li> <li>Full visibility into request and expected date for resolution/completion</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Implementation of marketing and complex growth initiatives</li> <li>Creating additional dashboards and guiding service expansion</li> <li>Business case and unit economics analysis</li> </ul>



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# Thank you.

