



**STARK AREA REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

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## **SARTA ADDS MORE BUS SIGNS TO BENEFIT PASSENGERS**

### **Alliance, Louisville, Nimishillen Township Will Get 180+ New Signs**

Stark Area Regional Transit Authority is announcing public meetings to advise on proposed bus stop sign locations and get feedback. Over 140 of 180+ signs for the fixed route buses are proposed for Alliance, 34 signs in Louisville, and 12 signs in Nimishillen Township. City and township officials have been working with SARTA to identify appropriate bus stop locations. The benefits that established bus stops provide in their respective communities are enhance passenger safety and convenience. *The fixed routes affected are: 130 (Alliance Northwest), 131 (Alliance Central & West), 135 (Alliance Central & South), 136 (Alliance North & East), and 139 (Canton/Louisville/Alliance).*

#### **Advantages of established bus stops are:**

- \* Bus stops prevent passengers trying to board or alight in hazardous situations such as intersections, or where bus is turning and is not using the curb lane.
- \* A stop enables an operator to quickly see passengers without possibly passing them by.
- \* Bus stop can consolidate flag stops into a fixed number of stops enabling the bus to decrease dwell time.

“We feel bus stops will better serve our riders and give potential new riders an easy method of using public transportation,” said Kirt Conrad, SARTA CEO.

#### **SARTA invites the public to attend the public meetings in Alliance, Louisville, or the one in Nimishillen Township to find out more information and to give your opinion.**

**Nov. 30th**, Monday - Nimishillen Township Hall | 7pm | (Fire station #2), 4422 Maplegrove Ave, Louisville

**Dec. 1st**, Tuesday - Louisville Constitution Center | 12pm & 7pm | 1022 West Main Street, Louisville

**Dec. 2nd**, Wednesday - SARTA's Alliance Transit Center | 12pm & 7pm | 10 Prospect St. (at S. Union), Alliance

**Dec. 3rd**, Thursday - Alliance Courthouse | 7pm | 470 East Market Street, Alliance

If you are unable to attend the meetings, a listing of proposed stop locations will be posted on our website, [www.SARTAonline.com](http://www.SARTAonline.com). If you have any additional questions regarding this proposal, please contact Mr. James Warner at 330-477-2782 or email him at [jwarner@SARTAonline.com](mailto:jwarner@SARTAonline.com).

In addition to the fixed routes in Alliance, Louisville, and Nimishillen Township, SARTA runs a paratransit service called Proline everywhere in Stark County. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, SARTA offers this service to individuals who, because of a functional disability (physical or cognitive) cannot access or use our fixed route bus service. To use Proline, you and a physician must complete an application.

See the SARTA website ([www.SARTAonline.com](http://www.SARTAonline.com)) for details.

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