

Stark Area Regional Transit Authority (SARTA)

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**SARTA AND CONGRESSMAN JOHN BOCCIERI ANNOUNCE THE ROLLOUT OF
NEW HYBRID TRANSIT BUSES FOR STARK COUNTY TRANSPORTATION**

SARTA uses recovery funds to add “green” buses to its bus fleet

Canton, Ohio – A public event is planned on October 19th to highlight the rollout of Stark Area Regional Transit Authority’s green-friendly hybrid buses. Community members are invited to view the new hybrid vehicles at this event. SARTA’s new diesel-electric buses combine diesel engines with battery-operated electric motors. Benefits of using diesel-electric hybrid buses are a reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG), reducing particulate matter emissions and improving fuel economy.

Kirt Conrad, SARTA CEO, said, "These new hybrid buses will improve transit services for residents and commuters, providing a cleaner, greener option throughout Stark County cities and towns."

The hybrid rollout event will be at the Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad's Lincoln Highway Station, 1315 Tuscarawas St. West. Open house for inspection of the hybrid buses begins at 9:00 am. Then, at 9:30 am, speakers scheduled to appear are: Congressman John Boccieri, Mayor William Healy, Stark State College of Technology and McIntosh Oil representatives.

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