

**Corporate Services**

September 23, 2024

Mayor Post and Members of Council,

**Re: Fare Free Transit Program**

Please be advised that Access Orangeville Committee, at its Meeting held on September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024, approved the following resolution:

**That the correspondence regarding the Fare Free Transit Program be received, and**

**That Access Orangeville express their support of the Fare Free Transit Program in principle, through a letter, and**

**That the letter of support be included in the September 23<sup>rd</sup> Council Agenda in Principle.**

**Carried.**

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We, Access Orangeville, fully support the fare-free transit program launched in 2023 and commend the progress made thus far. The significant increase in ridership- evident from the impressive growth in numbers since the program's inception – demonstrates its effectiveness in addressing accessibility and affordability issues for our residents.

The benefits of a fare-free transit model are clear: it enhances access to employment, removes financial barriers, encourages greater transit use, and contributes to a more sustainable environment. By removing the financial hurdle, we are enabling more residents to take advantage of transit services and fostering a more inclusive community. The positive impact on our community's mobility and the environment is evident and reinforces the value of this initiative.

Thank you for your commitment to improving transit accessibility in the town of Orangeville.

Sincerely,  
Access Orangeville