



# YORK REGION TRANSIT'S 2025 TRANSIT INITIATIVES TOWN OF WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

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Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville  
Council

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# Agenda

- Overview of the annual plan process
- Summary of 2024 service improvements
- Summary of stakeholder and public consultations
- Summary of 2025 Transit Initiatives
- Summary of 2025 projects and programs
- Ridership trends
- Next steps



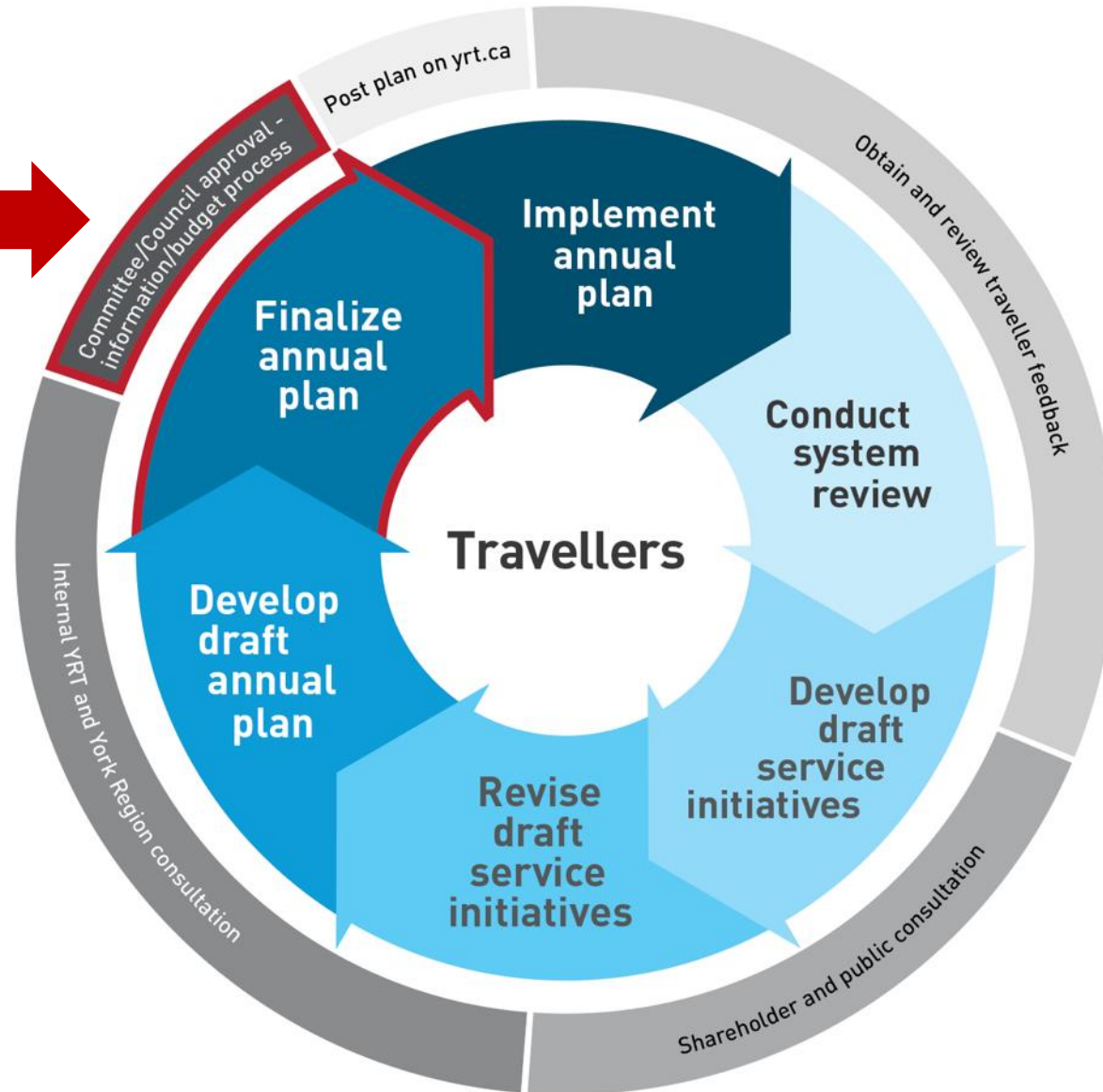


# Annual Transit Initiatives Process

**We are here**

**Finalize  
annual plan**

**Committee/  
Council  
approval –  
information/  
budget process**



# 2024 Service Improvements in Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

| Routes/Service                                   | Implemented Service Change  |
|--|---|
| <b>9 – Ninth Line</b>                            | Improved weekday frequency<br>Restructured route to provide two-way service in Stouffville                          |
| <b>414 – St. Katharine Drexel School Special</b> | Introduced new School Special route   |
| <b>On-Request Gormley</b>                        | Introduced new service connecting Gormley industrial area to Leslie Street, Woodbine Avenue, and Gormley GO Station |

# Stakeholder and Public Consultation

| Consultation                             | Date (2024)     | Location  |
|--|-----------------|---|
| Town Staff                               | March 14        | Municipal Office  |
| YRDSB and YCDSB                          | April 19        | York Region Office  |
| Neighbouring Transit Agencies            | April 29        | York Region Office  |
| Virtual Public and Business Engagement   | May 5 to June 8 | <a href="https://yrt.ca/TransitPlan">yrt.ca/TransitPlan</a> or YRT Contact Centre |
| Accessibility Advisory Committee (YRAAC) | May 5 to June 8 | <a href="https://yrt.ca/TransitPlan">yrt.ca/TransitPlan</a> or YRT Contact Centre |
| Public Outreach Event #1                 | May 7           | Whitchurch-Stouffville Leisure Centre   |
| Public Outreach Event #2                 | May 27          | Stouffville GO Station  |

YRT staff advertised the annual plan consultation on Stouffville's Talk of the Town podcast in April and On The Road magazine in May. YRT staff attended the Strawberry Festival in June and Ribfest in August to educate residents about YRT services.

# Feedback Received

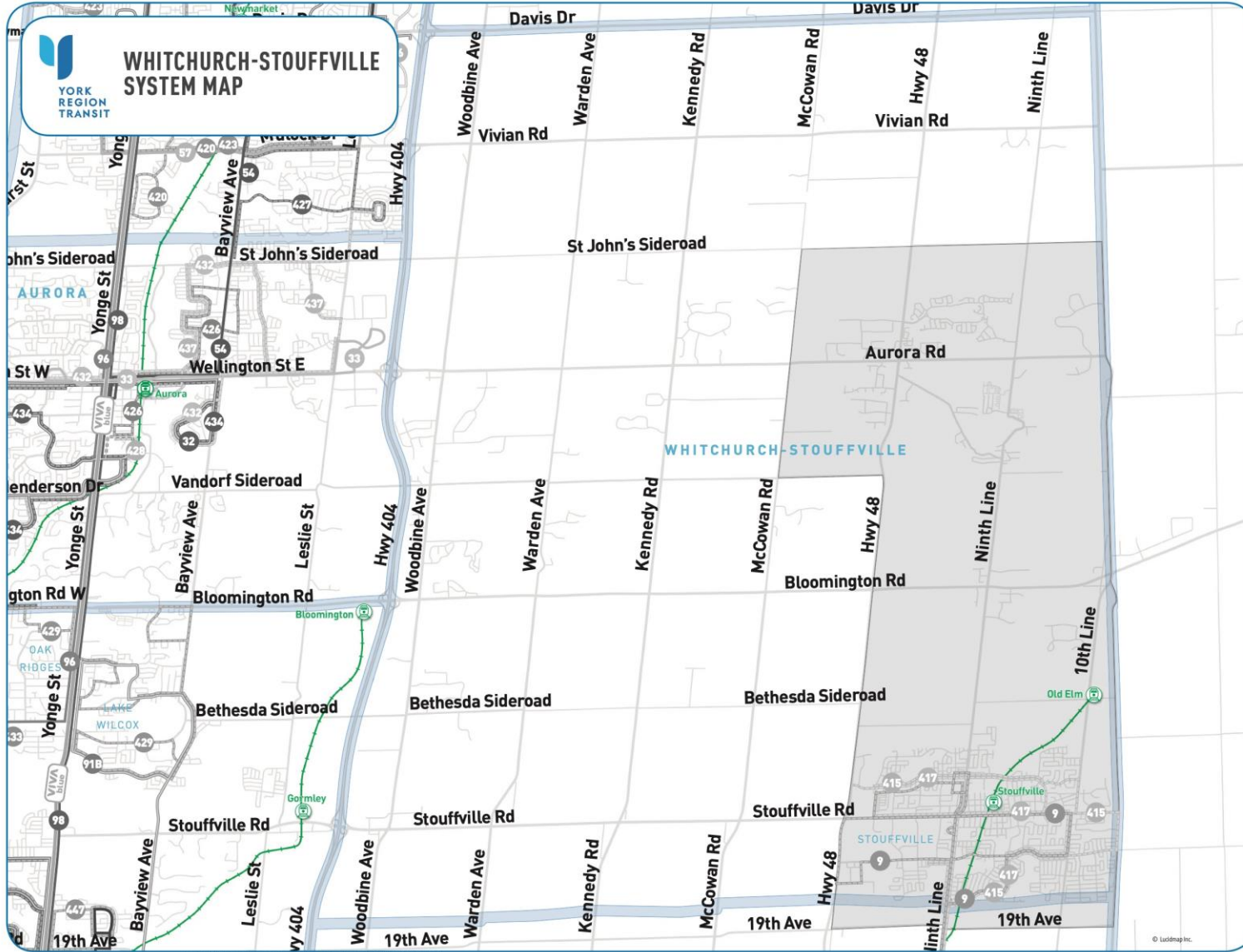
- Support for On-Request service to Preston Lake, Vandorf employment area and Bloomington GO station
- Request for On-Request service connecting Stouffville to Aurora, Oak Ridges and King
- Request for increased frequency and weekend service in Stouffville

**YRT continues to expand On-Request services, making it easier for residents to connect between communities and key destinations across the Region.**

# 2025 Transit Initiatives in Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

| Routes/Service                | Proposed Service Change   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| <b>On-Request Stouffville</b> | Explore increasing service hours to provide additional connections with Stouffville and Old Elm GO stations       |
| <b>On-Request Vandorf</b>     | Introduce new on-demand service for Vandorf employment area, community of Preston Lake and Bloomington GO station |

# YRT Services in Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville



## Transit Services - Whitchurch-Stouffville

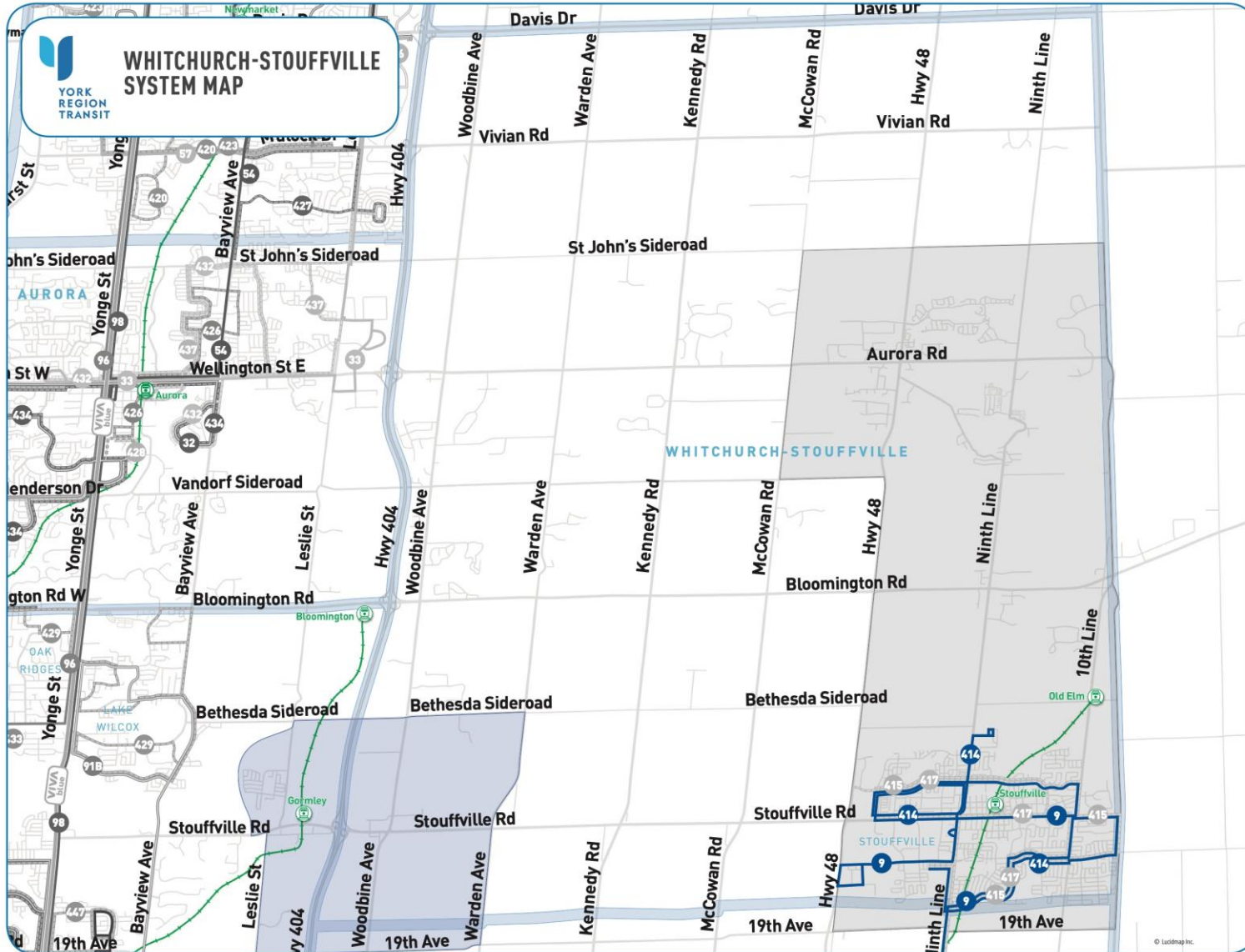
- 9 – 9th Line
- 415 – Stouffville District SS
- 417 – Bill Hogarth SS
- On-Request Stouffville Service Area

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-  GO Rail
-  Municipal Boundary



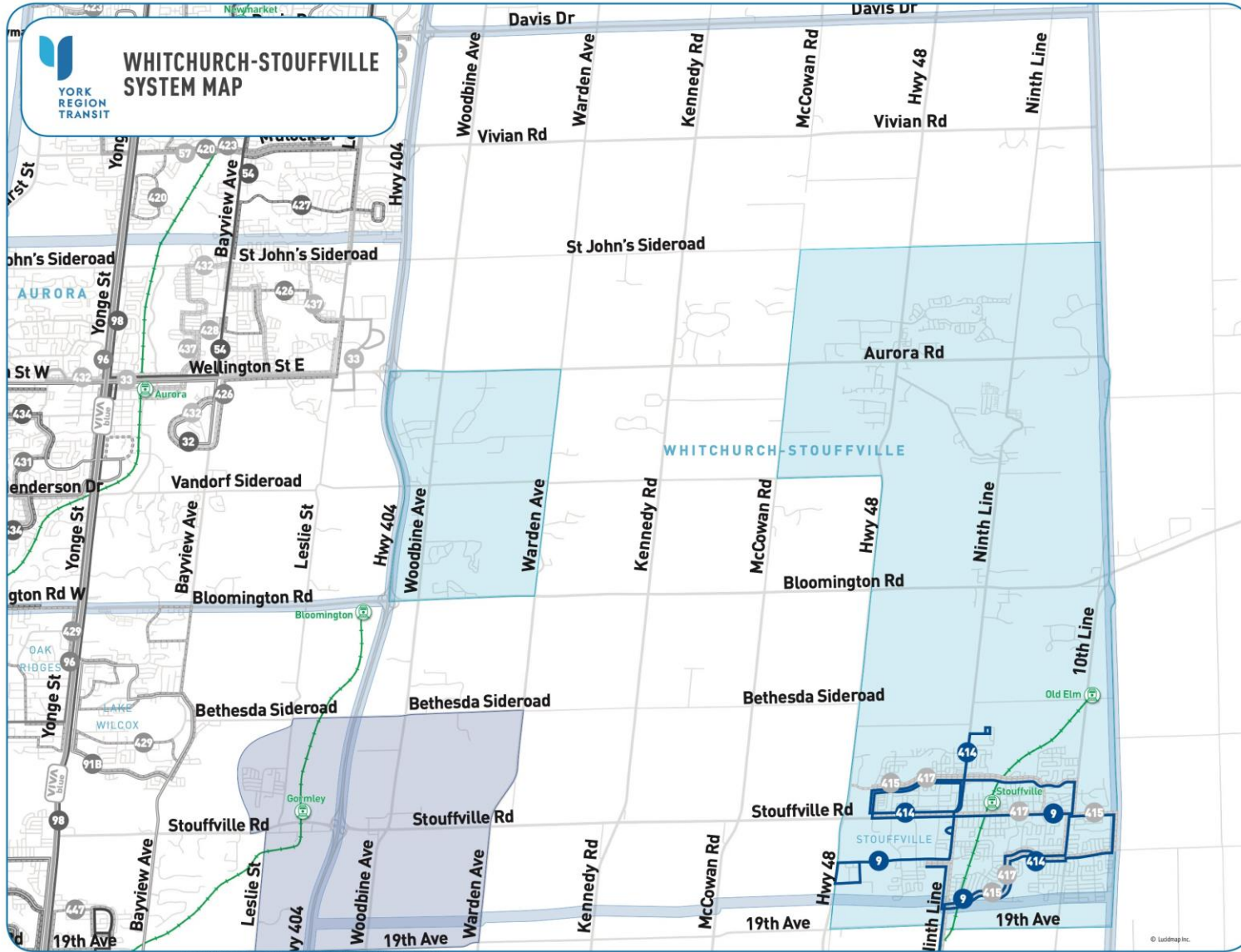
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# 2025 Projects and Programs



**Planning for the future**



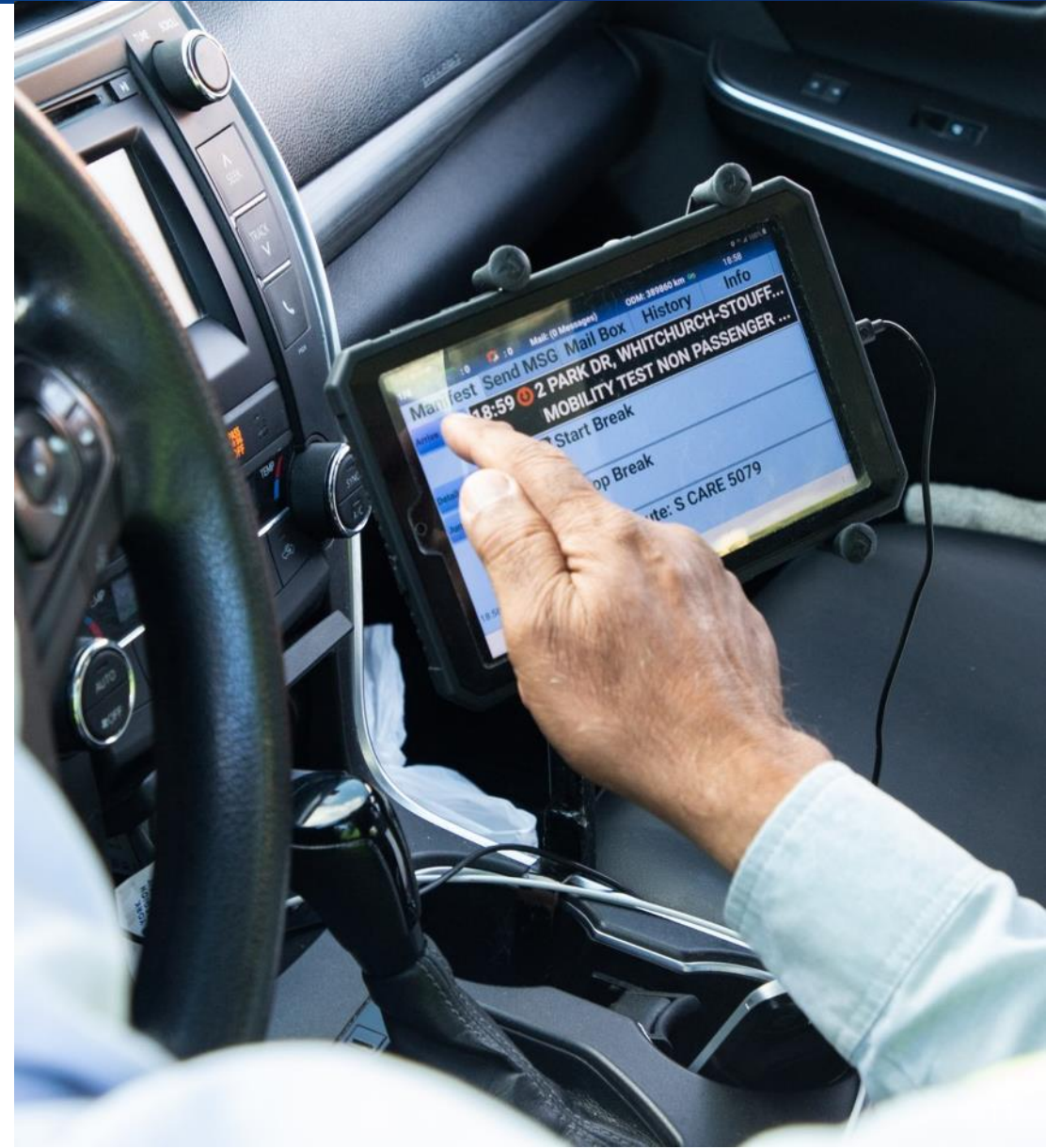
**Fare and service integration**



**Technology and innovation**

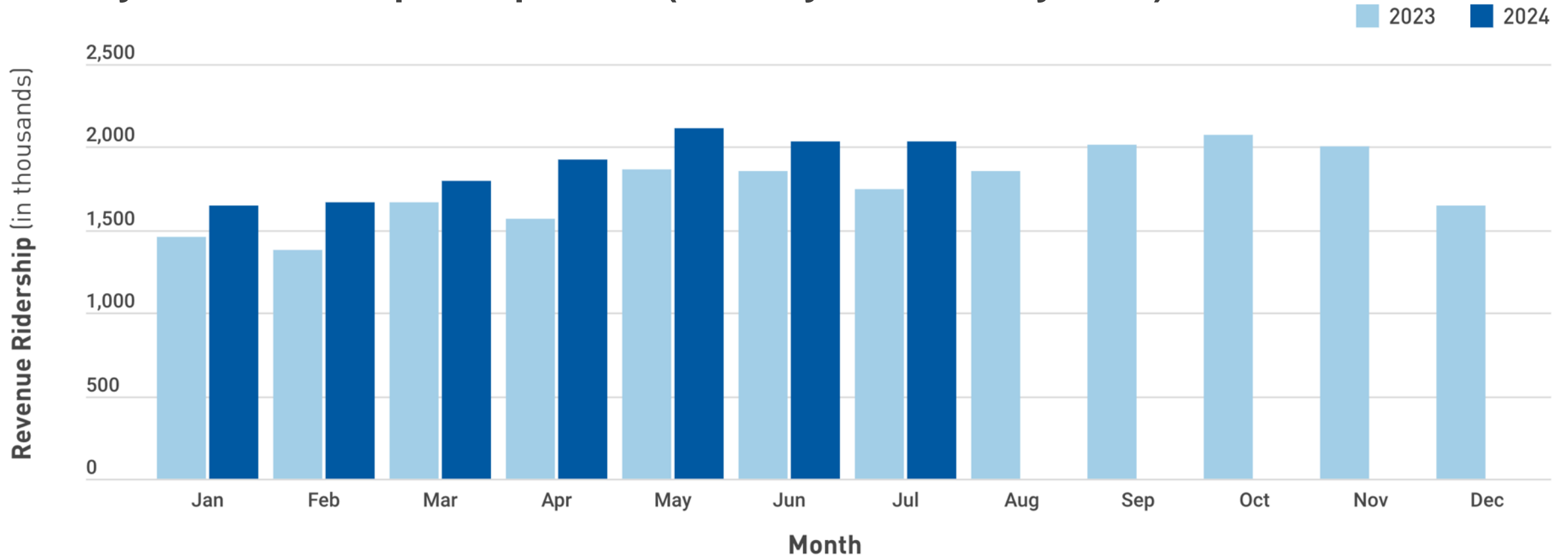


**Customer service**



# System Ridership Trends

## YRT System Ridership Comparison (January 2023 to July 2024)



Ridership in Whitchurch-Stouffville increased approximately 26% compared to 2023.



# Next Steps

- Seek York Regional Council approval of the 2025 Transit Initiatives through the operating and capital budget approval process
- Communicate 2025 Transit Initiatives to customers and residents
- Begin 2026 Transit Initiatives annual plan process



# Thank You

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