



## Kwantlen Students Praise New Public Transit Improvements

**Surrey, BC** — Representatives of the Kwantlen Student Association (KSA) are strongly supporting the provincial government's new Provincial Transit Plan, and are urging all levels of government to cooperate on providing funding for the plan. The Provincial Transit Plan provides for \$11.1 billion in new investments in rapid transit and buses across the entire province. However, the Plan is dependent on funding from the federal and local governments, and from TransLink, as provincial funding is set to constitute only \$4.75 billion by 2020.

The Provincial Transit Plan includes several badly needed transit improvements in the South Fraser region, including the extension of the Expo Skytrain Line to the Guildford neighbourhood, and a system of rapid buses connecting Surrey City Centre, Langley, White Rock, and Richmond.

“These much-needed improvements to the public transit system in British Columbia are good for students, for seniors and low-income people, for the economy and for the environment” said Laura Anderson, KSA Chairperson. “We are now calling on the federal government to pitch in \$3.1 billion to ensure that this plan can be put into action.”

The Provincial Transit Plan means that the Kwantlen Student Association is one step closer to implementing a Universal Transit Pass (U-Pass) for Kwantlen students. The KSA looks forward to working with TransLink to bring a U-Pass to Kwantlen and to identify ways that the transit system can better serve Kwantlen students.

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The Provincial Transit Plan website can be viewed at: [http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/Transit\\_Plan/](http://www.th.gov.bc.ca/Transit_Plan/)

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