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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

## **Job seekers invited to test drive a career in transit**

Applicants can drive a 40-foot transit bus during DART's first-of-its kind job fair

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) is inviting anyone interested in a career in transit to get behind the wheel of a bus. DART is hosting a hiring event at the Iowa State Fairgrounds where job applicants can drive a 40-foot-long transit bus through an obstacle course. This is purely for fun and to provide a unique experience as part of the transit job fair.

### **Job Fair - Test Drive a Career!**

Day 1

When: Friday, Oct. 22, 2021 from 1-5 p.m.

Where: Iowa State Fairgrounds Midway

Day 2

When: Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021 from 8-10:30 a.m.

Where: Iowa State Fairgrounds Midway

DART is looking to hire roughly 35 bus operators this fall for both its Fixed Route and Paratransit services. Applicants should be 21-years old or older and bring their Driver's License. DART Human Resources staff will be on-site to answer questions, collect applications and conduct job interviews. Applicants do not need to have their Commercial Driver's License (CDL) to be hired. DART is offering a \$3,000 sign-on incentive to new drivers with a CDL and a \$2,000 sign-on incentive to new drivers without a CDL.

The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) is Iowa's largest, and only, regional transit agency, providing service in and around Polk County. DART operates a family of transportation services, providing nearly 4.5 million annual rides that connect thousands of people every day to jobs, school, healthcare and other essential destinations. Twelve member governments make up DART's service area, where the agency carries out its mission to enrich lives, connect communities and expand opportunities for central Iowans. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit the website at [ridedart.com](http://ridedart.com), download the free MyDART app or call 515-283-8100.

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