

# City of Saline & Eastern Townships

## Community Survey Overview

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Despite Michigan's uncertain economy and decreasing property values, support for public transit remains strong. **60 percent of respondents say public transit is important.**

TheRide is also well-perceived by the public. Of those who shared an opinion, **87 percent rated TheRide as favorable.**



**26 percent** – said that they or someone in their family had **used public transit within the past year.**

**53 percent support** a new 1-mill property tax for funding **a new countywide public transit agency.**

**At least 70 percent listed the following service improvements as either “very” or “somewhat” important:**

- **85 percent** - Door-to-door service for seniors and the disabled;
- **79 percent** - A new service using small buses and vans in areas where there are not enough people for regular bus service;
- **78 percent** - Express bus service between park and ride lots and employment centers;
- **75 percent** - Information on when the next bus is coming would be provided to cell phones and posted on electronic signs at major bus stops;
- **75 percent** - Existing AATA -- The Ride bus service in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti would run more frequently, and later in the evening and on weekends;
- **71 percent** - An hourly express shuttle bus service would be provided between Detroit Metro Airport and three stops in Ann Arbor including the Blake Transit Center.