

GATRA 2022



MGL Chapter 161B

- In 1976, GATRA was created by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 161B as a body politic and corporate and political subdivision of the [Commonwealth of Massachusetts](#). According to the statute, regional transit authorities cannot operate service directly, but instead must contract with private operators for the provision of service.
- Among the private sector companies under contract with GATRA are: Professional Transit Management (PTM), Kiessling Transit, Inc., and Bill's Taxi Service, Inc.(A&A Metro Transportation).
- All GATRA vehicles are wheelchair accessible and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). All drivers of GATRA buses are trained to operate the lifts and can accommodate people with disabilities.



GATRA Advisory Board

- The GATRA Advisory Board consists of one of the following from each member community: the Mayor of each city, Town Manager, Town Administrator or Chair of the Select Board; or their Designee. One representative from the disabled commuter population and a representative of the rider community.



GATRA Communities

- GATRA oversees operations of fixed-route bus services in the cities of Attleboro and Taunton and in the towns of Plymouth and Wareham.
- In addition to the Fixed Route Bus Service, GATRA provides on demand Services (Dial A Ride and Micro Transit) in the Cities and Towns of:
- Attleboro, Bellingham, Berkley, Carver, Dighton, Duxbury, Foxboro, Franklin, Hanover, Kingston, Lakeville, Mansfield, Marshfield, Medway, Middleborough, Norfolk, North Attleboro, Norton, Pembroke, Plainville, Plymouth, Plympton, Raynham, Rehoboth, Scituate, Seekonk, Taunton, Wareham, and Wrentham.



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ADA On Demand Service

- Operating in compliance with the FTA's ADA regulations, GATRA's ADA Paratransit Service provides origin to destination transportation to ADA eligible individuals who are unable to use the fixed route bus service due to a disability.
- This service operates the same days and times as the fixed route bus service and travels within $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile of the route.
- It is a shared ride and multiple users could be grouped together allowing GATRA to provide efficient trips that will meet all ADA requests.



Dial A Ride

- Dial-a-Ride is a curb to curb transportation service available to eligible passengers in each of GATRA's towns.
- Eligible residents are seniors 60 and over.



Human Services Transportation (HST) Contract

- GATRA's Medical Brokerage provides Non-Emergency Medical Transportation services for MassHealth/Medicaid members residing in southeastern Massachusetts, including Cape Cod and the Islands.
- GATRA enters into contractual agreements with privately-owned Transportation Providers
- GATRA's Medical Brokerage also provides services for various other State Agencies including:

Department of Developmental Services (DDS)

Department of Public Health (DPH)

Mass Rehabilitation Commission (MRC)

Department of Mental Health (DMH).



GATRA Facilities

- GATRA owned Taunton facility at 10 Oak St. includes offices and garage
- GATRA leased facility in Plymouth includes offices and garage space
- GATRA manages Attleboro and Mansfield Commuter Rail Stations
- GATRA maintains 22 Bus Shelters throughout all communities

