

Chairman Abney and Honorable Committee members,

My name is Daria Phoebe Brashear; I live in the Edgewood section of Cranston. Today I write to you in support of H8317, the \$5m budget allocation for RIPTA.

In the wake of last year's devastating cuts, RIPTA has gotten less efficient thanks to riders needing to use more-expensive flex and paratransit services; it has also caused a large number of riders to have longer or even impossible trips.

Please support H8317 to get RIPTA the funding it needs to restore service.

Sincerely,
Daria Phoebe Brashear