



# Old Lyme Transit Services and Bus Stop Project

River Valley Transit

# Agenda

1. Brief Introduction
2. Old Lyme Services Overview
3. Bus Stop Project



# Introductions

- Brendan Geraghty – Transportation Planner for River Valley Transit



# Overview of River Valley Transit

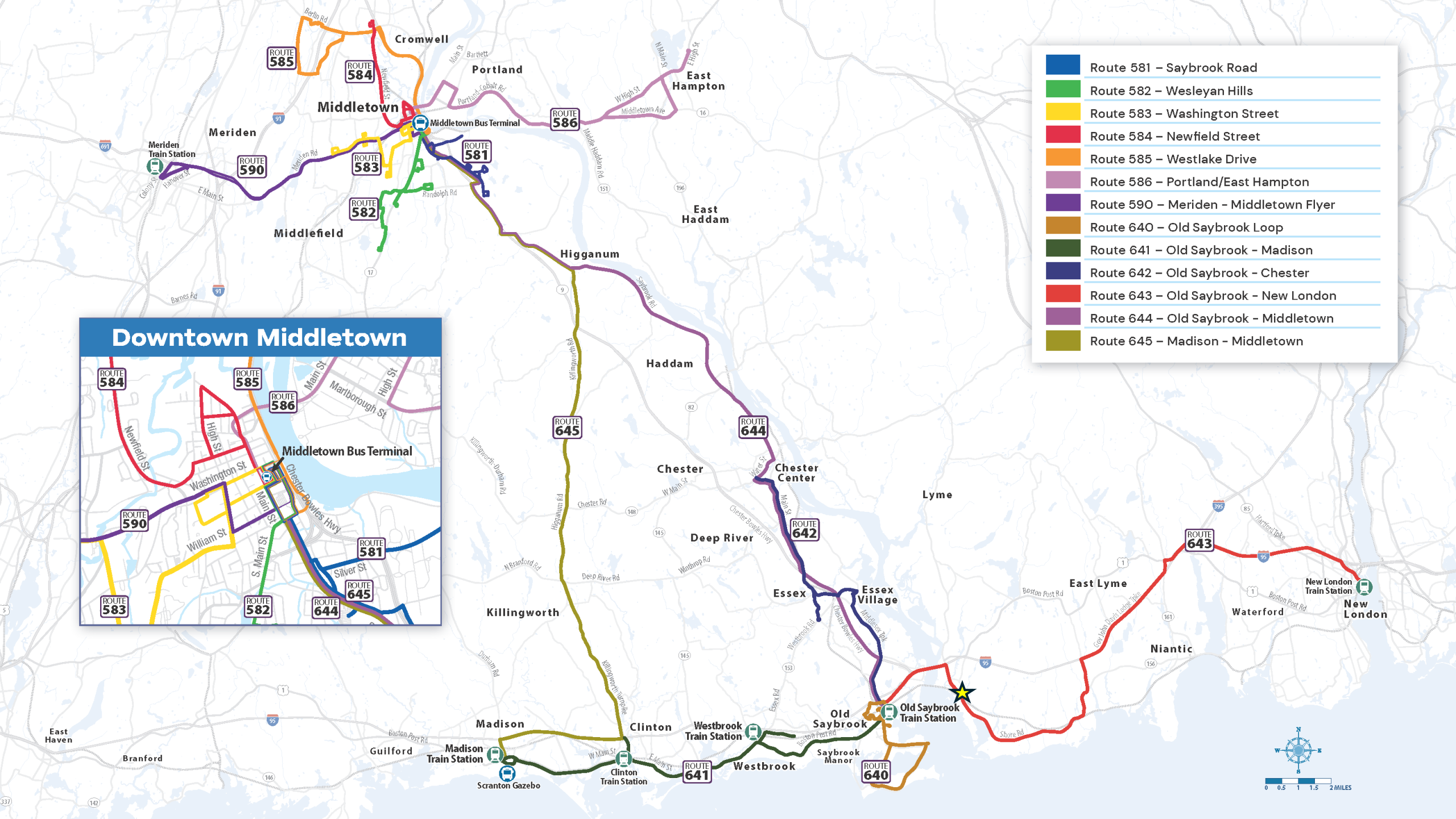
- Public Transit Provider for Middlesex County
- New name for the recently combined Middletown Area Transit and 9-Town Transit systems
- One new system and brand for all of Middlesex County and more



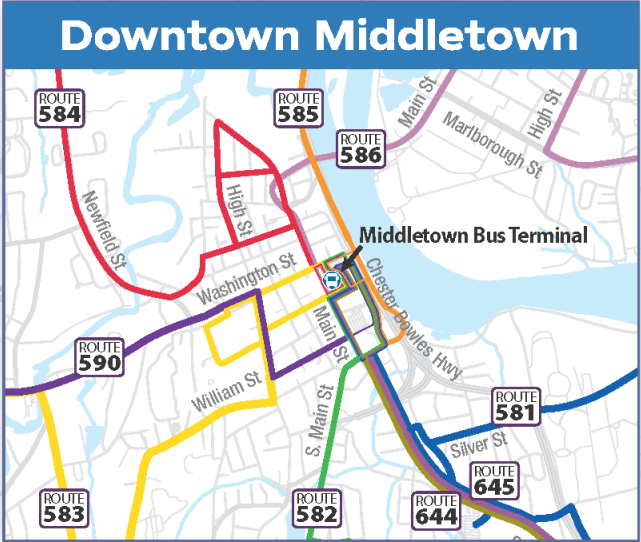
# Our Current Services

- We operate 13 fixed bus routes
- Destinations include cities and towns in Middlesex County, New London, Meriden
- Transfer with services that provide access to New Haven and Hartford
- Dial-a-Ride Service
- ADA Paratransit Service
- XtraMile On-Demand Service





- Route 581 – Saybrook Road
- Route 582 – Wesleyan Hills
- Route 583 – Washington Street
- Route 584 – Newfield Street
- Route 585 – Westlake Drive
- Route 586 – Portland/East Hampton
- Route 590 – Meriden - Middletown Flyer
- Route 640 – Old Saybrook Loop
- Route 641 – Old Saybrook - Madison
- Route 642 – Old Saybrook - Chester
- Route 643 – Old Saybrook - New London
- Route 644 – Old Saybrook - Middletown
- Route 645 – Madison - Middletown



# River Valley Transit Services in Old Lyme

- Route 643: Old Saybrook-New London
- Dial-a-Ride
- Taxi Voucher Program



# Route 643 Old Saybrook/ New London

- Service in Old Saybrook, Old Lyme, East Lyme, and New London
- Predominantly in Old Lyme
- Regional transit connections available in Old Saybrook and New London (bus, rail, ferry)

EASTBOUND – Monday - Friday				
Old Saybrook Train Station	Old Lyme Market Place	Soundview @ Shore Road	Latimer Brook Commons @ Route 1	New London Train Station
①	②	③	④	⑤
7:00	7:10	7:24	7:36	7:50
9:00	9:10	9:24	9:36	9:50
11:00	11:10	11:24	11:36	11:50
1:00	1:10	1:24	1:36	1:50
3:00	3:10	3:24	3:36	3:50
5:00	5:10	5:24	5:36	5:50

WESTBOUND – Monday - Friday				
New London Train Station	Latimer Brook Commons @ Route 1	Soundview @ Shore Road	Old Lyme Market Place	Old Saybrook Train Station
⑤	④	③	②	①
8:00	8:12	8:27	8:37	8:50
10:00	10:12	10:27	10:37	10:50
12:00	12:12	12:27	12:37	12:50
2:00	2:12	2:27	2:37	2:50
4:00	4:12	4:27	4:37	4:50
6:00	6:12	6:27	6:37	REQ



# Dial-Ride

- Dial-a-Ride fills the gaps in service not covered by bus routes
- Dial-a-Ride is a reservation-based curb-to-curb service
- Any trip that originates or ends more than  $\frac{3}{4}$  a mile away from a fixed route is eligible for Dial-a-Ride service
- No application required
- Not just a medical service, can be used for any reason
- Wheelchair Accessible



# Dial-a-Ride Continued



- Hours of service are from 7am-5pm Monday-Friday
- Reservations can be made up to two weeks in advance and must be made no later than 4pm the day prior to your desired ride
- First come first served basis, and will sometimes fill up
- Subscription service is available for consistent usage for medical, employment or education trips
- Number to call: 860-510-0429 Option 3

# Taxi Voucher Program

- Grant funding to help reduce the cost of travel outside of our service area
- We pay for 50% of your taxi ride
- The service is available for seniors over 60 or persons with disabilities
- Riders submit a taxi voucher application form
- Taxi will take riders anywhere in Connecticut



# Bus Stop Project

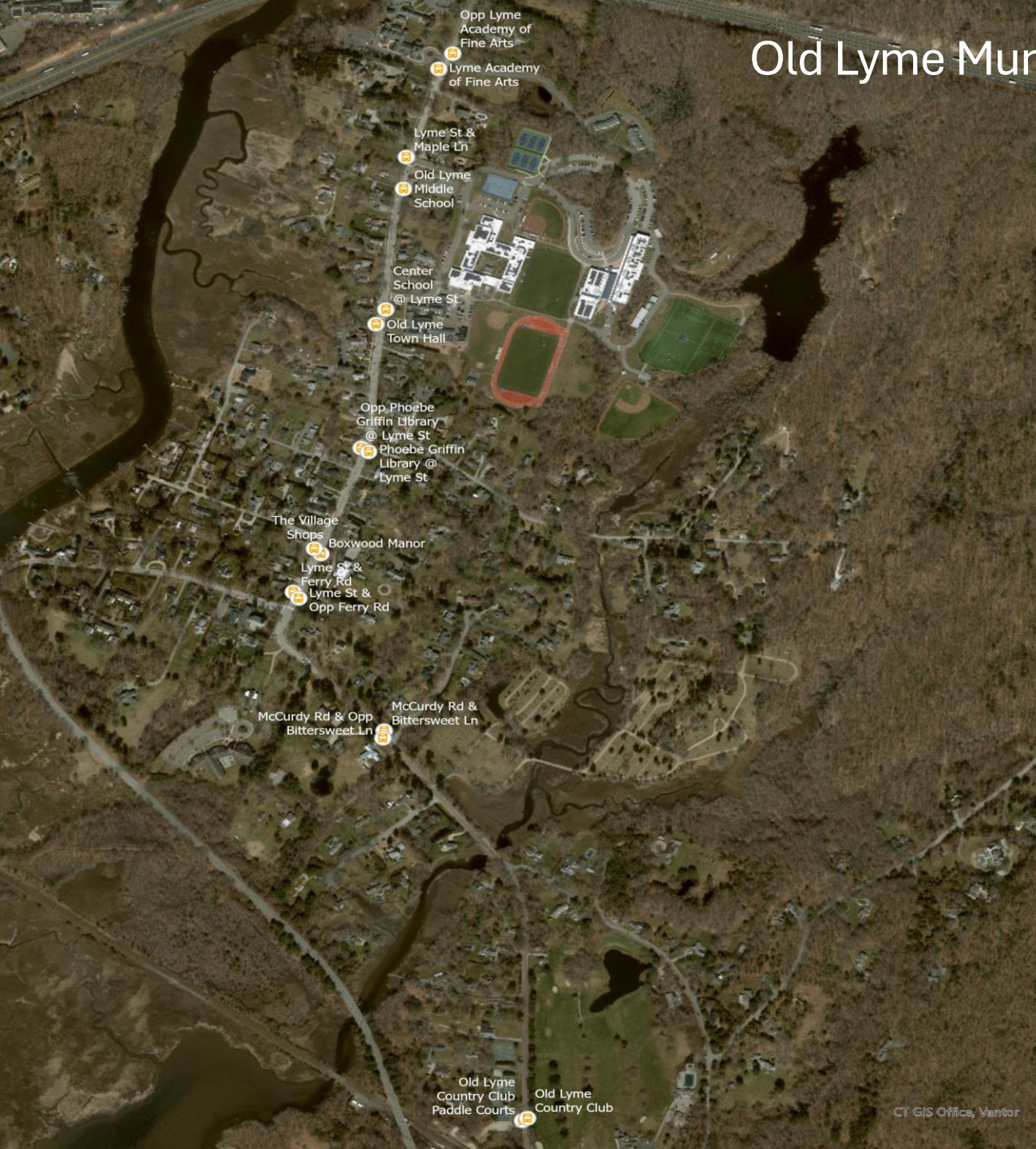
- Bus routes currently operate with a **flag stop system**
  - Riders waive the driver down anywhere along the route
  - This leads to safety and operational issues
- We are undergoing a **bus stop transition**
  - Improved safety through safe locations for stops
  - Improved operational efficiency through stop grouping / improved clarity
  - Increased awareness of availability of transit service

# Old Lyme Proposed Bus Stops

- 22 stops on municipal roads
  - Looking for town approval
- 36 stops on state roads
  - Working with CTDOT for approval
- Open to feedback on any of the stops



# Old Lyme Municipal Stops





# Thank You!

- Thank you for the opportunity to present
- I am happy to answer any questions regarding transit services or our proposed bus stops in Old Lyme
- We are open to any feedback regarding our bus stop locations
- We hope the board looks favorably on the proposed municipal stops