**Media Release - Draft**

**Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission; Shenandoah County Government; the Towns of Strasburg, Woodstock, Edinburg, Mount Jackson, and New Market; and the Shenandoah County Chamber seek opinions regarding the need for public transportation in Shenandoah County**

(Woodstock, Va., October 3, 2018) – The Northern Shenandoah Valley Regional Commission (NSVRC); Shenandoah County Government; the Towns of Strasburg, Woodstock, Edinburg, Mount Jackson, and New Market; and the Shenandoah County Chamber are seeking input concerning the feasibility of implementing a public transportation program in Shenandoah County.

A study has recently been initiated to examine the feasibility of providing public transportation service to serve Shenandoah County residents. Major study tasks include a community survey; a survey of major employers; stakeholder outreach; land use and population analysis; demand estimation; and the development of service, organizational, and funding alternatives.

A survey has been developed to gather the opinions of Shenandoah County residents. The survey is accessible by logging onto:

English Version: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FQKJN5H>

Encuesta en Español: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5FDR28P>

Paper surveys are also available in English and Spanish at the locations listed on page 2.

The survey is being conducted during the month of October, 2018. The survey results will help inform the study team regarding the service options and the potential feasibility of public transportation service in Shenandoah County.

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**Paper Surveys Available at the following Locations:**

**Shenandoah County Department of Social Services**

494 North Main Street, Suite 200

Woodstock, VA

**Shenandoah County Administrative Offices**

600 North Main Street

Woodstock, VA

**Shenandoah County Chamber**

103 S. Main Street

Woodstock, VA

**Shenandoah County Library**

514 Stoney Creek Boulevard

Edinburg, VA

**Town of Edinburg Municipal Offices**

101 Town Hall Avenue

Edinburg, VA

**Town of Mount Jackson Municipal Offices**

5901 Main Street

Mount Jackson, VA

**Town of New Market Municipal Offices**

9418 John Sevier Road

New Market, VA

**Town of Strasburg Municipal Offices**

174 King Street

Strasburg, VA

**Town of Woodstock Municipal Office**

135 N. Main Street

Woodstock, VA

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