Fastrak to Opportunity –
Connecticut’s First Rapid Transit Corridor

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Fastrak to Opportunity

• Overview of the opportunities for growth around the CTfastrak corridor
• Overview of the institutions it connects
CTfastrak Employment Corridor

- **152,000 jobs in corridor** from New Britain to Manchester (not including University of Connecticut) on CTfastrak or circulators
  - 38,700 jobs west of Hartford
  - 77,200 jobs in Hartford
  - 36,500 jobs east of Hartford
Major Employers in the CTfastrak Corridor

- Central Connecticut State University
- University of Connecticut Health Center and Medical Offices
- Westfarms Mall (largest regional shopping center)
- Saint Francis Hospital
- Aetna Insurance
- The Hartford Insurance
- Travelers Insurance
- CT Capitol and State Government
- Pratt and Whitney Aircraft
- Capitol Community College and Manchester Community College
- (Buckland Hills Mall)
- (University of Connecticut main campus Storrs CT 18,400 students + staff)
Employment On or Near
CTfastrak & CTfastrak East Corridors

Jobs Within Corridor & Shuttle Service Area
Total Employment: 152,000+
East of Hartford: 36,500
Hartford: 77,200
West of Hartford: 38,700

Legend
- New Haven - Hartford - Springfield Commuter Rail
- CTfastrak
- Number of Jobs within Corridor by Town
- Regional Employers in Vicinity of Corridor

Data Source:
CRCO GIS Database
CT DOT, TeleAtlas

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East of the River Expansion of CTfastrak
Ten CTfastrak Stations

• CTfastrak opened March 2015
• Has been meeting ridership projections for 2030
• Surpassed 1 million rides in less than six months
• Extension east of the river authorized and to be launched in 2016
• Making it Happen report:
TOOLS FOR TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT

1. Planning and Visioning
   Station area plans, community education and outreach, technical assistance

2. Zoning and Land Use Regulations
   Transit-oriented development supportive zoning, entitlements process, parking management

3. New Development
   Land assembly, financing market rate and mixed-income housing, reuse of historic buildings

4. Neighborhood Revitalization
   Brownfields cleanup, acquisition of vacant/blighted properties, affordable and mixed-use housing

5. Local Transportation and Infrastructure
   Last mile shuttles, pedestrian and bicycle access, infrastructure improvements

6. Economic Development
   Economic development incentive programs, anchor institutions
Station Area Types and Opportunities and Strategies for Making Transit-Oriented Development Happen

Outreach
- Cedar St
- Berlin
- East St

Infill
- Newington Junction
- Elmwood
- Hartford-Union Station
- Windsor
- West Hartford-Flatbush

Catalyze
- Windsor Locks
- Enfield
- New Britain-CBD
- Kane St
- Sigourney St

Reposition
- Holyoke
- Springfield
- Park St

MARKET STRENGTH
- Emerging
- Stronger

STATION AREA CONDITIONS
- Limited TOD Support
- Moderate TOD Support
- Strong TOD Support

CTfastrak/NHHS Rail
- Rail
- CTfastrak
Opportunities for Growth around the CTfastrak Corridor

• Corridor Advisory Committee
• CRCOG TOD report
• Station area assessments
• Work in progress