AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION LOCAL 1505

Date: October 30, 2026

ATU Local 1505 5-Minute Friday Weekly Summary

ATU Annual Banquet: The October banquet was a success. Thank you to everyone who attended and to all the supporters who donated prizes. This year's silent auction featured more than 24 prizes, including three grand prizes. The event was an important opportunity to recognize and celebrate our retirees and their years of service to Transit.

Fill-A-Bus Charity Event: The third annual Fill-A-Bus event takes place *November 7, 2026, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Four Crowns Restaurant and Bar, 1030 McPhillips Street.* Members and the public are encouraged to donate a new unwrapped toy, non-perishable food item or make a monetary donation to the Christmas Cheer Board. Donation machines will also be available at the event. RSVP on Facebook.

Civic Election: Mayor Scott Gillingham was re-elected. ATU will continue working with the Mayor and Council to secure funding for full operator enclosure shields in the next budget and advance other outstanding transit safety priorities. Several labour-friendly candidates were also elected.

Bill C-39: ATU continues to oppose Bill C-39 and the proposed federal powers that could allow the Labour Minister to end legal strikes based on their opinion that a work stoppage is contrary to the national interest. These changes raise serious concerns about workers' rights and free collective bargaining. Our message remains: Back Off, Carney! Our Right to Strike Is Not Yours to Take! Members will be kept updated as the legislation progresses. More information available on the ATU website: Bill C-39

Function Ability Forms (FAF): In response to the changes regarding sick note requirements, Transit is now requesting that members complete FAF forms as soon as you go off sick. However, if you have already provided a doctor's note that has an estimated date of return on your sick note, you are not required to complete an FAF form. Please refer to Section 6-5 A1 of the Collective Agreement (CBA) for clarification. If you are asked to submit an FAF form under these circumstances, contact the Union immediately for assistance.

Operator Reminders: Operators are reminded to show their identification when boarding buses and to remain courteous.

Buses must be parked on the track without blocking pedestrian walkways.

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Members are also reminded to address workplace concerns through the appropriate channels rather than reporting fellow operators directly to management and then requesting union intervention.

Halloween Safety: Be extra attentive during Halloween celebrations. Watch for children walking, trick-or-treating and crossing roadways. Stay alert and drive safely.

Security Update: Between October 17 and 30, there were 8 reported security incidents, including three physical assaults, one attempted assault, two verbal threats (one involving a weapon), one property damage incident and one reported firearm. The total number of security incidents for 2026 now stands at 205.