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## CENTRO PLANNING8 TO REDESIGN ITS ONONDAGA COUNTY BUS NETWORK

**Syracuse, NY** – With the introduction of Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) in Syracuse, Centro's Better Bus project will consider how fixed-route bus service, and the introduction of other on-demand services could complement BRT and better fit the community's travel needs.

The public transportation provider is planning to redesign its Onondaga County's Bus Network to:

- align the Centro network with present-day demand and travel patterns
- allow Centro to better meet community travel needs through delivery of more efficient and effective service
- adjust local service and integrate new modes such as microtransit to reallocate service within BRT corridors and promote BRT connectivity

To evaluate how Centro's current network is performing and to determine the demand for transit in the area, a detailed study is being conducted that looks at travel patterns, ridership, the supply of transit service versus the demand for transit service, and how transit service compares to driving. Preliminary results are detailed on Centro's website and are part of numerous data points that are being analyzed to best redesign Syracuse's bus network.

"The Better Bus initiative is all about streamlining our transportation system, enhancing connectivity, and improving operational efficiency" said Christopher Tuff, Deputy CEO at Centro. Centro, along with its project consultant, Arcadis, will be hosting several Open House events the week of February 3<sup>rd</sup> during which the community can connect with the project team to learn more about proposed changes and share feedback.

For a complete list of Open House dates and times go to Centro Better Bus.