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MWRTA Launches Sunday Fixed Route Service

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On Sunday, February 4, 2024 the MetroWest Regional Transit Authority will launch Fixed Route bus service on Sundays! The new Sunday service will mirror the existing Saturday service, meaning the exact same Route 2, 3, 4 North, 4 South, 7, 7C, 11, and Green Line Connector Saturday schedules will be changed to "Weekend" schedules, and will operate both Saturdays and Sundays.

MWRTA formed in 2006 and began service in July 2007. Since then, MWRTA has provided limited Demand Response service on Sundays, and in the last year launched Sunday Catch Connect (micro transit) service in Framingham and Natick. Sunday service to the public has been a priority of the MWRTA for the last 16 years. With new State funding, MWRTA is finally able to launch this service.

The ridership on Demand Response and Micro Transit services shows that there is a strong need for more service on Sundays. The new launch will now allow riders connections to grocery stores, shopping centers, hospitals, MBTA Commuter Rail and Green Line connections, and so much more.

MWRTA will be closely monitoring ridership trends on Sunday and will adjust routes as needed to better the efficiency and meet our rider's needs.

As you try out the new Sunday service routes, riders should feel free to send in any feedback to MWRTA by visiting <u>www.mwrta.com/contact</u>, emailing <u>info@mwrta.com</u>, or calling (508) 935 – 2222.

Schedules are available on the MWRTA website homepage at www.mwrta.com.