### WRTA Rebrand

**Moving Forward with Heart** 





### Connections

Origin-Destination
Community-Community
Person-Person
Operator-Passenger



### **History**

**Heart of the Commonwealth** 



### **Design Intentionality**

Two Hearts – Make a W

Texture – Helpful for VIPs

Contrast – High Visibility for Safety





### Reason

To create a sustainable design that is representative of the community that WRTA serves.



### Method

Procured one of the best transit design firms

Engaged public through outreach:
376 completed surveys

Engaged internal operations



### What we heard

Majority liked blue color

Majority liked heart symbol

Split between modern, timeless, & progressive design styles

"Just an overall recognizable color.. something for the future for the years to come."

"Include symbols of the city like a heart."



"It should be simple and should uphold its heritage and originality."

"Historical & patriotic."

Movement in a positive sense - optimism, forward looking. The idea of the WRTA buses moving people to their next opportunity or adventure.

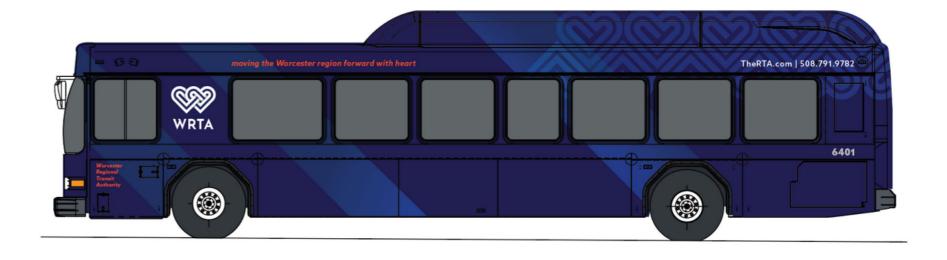
Worcester being the "heart" of the commonwealth.

"Worcester as the Heart of New England both geographically & as the host for many ground breaking biomedical education, research and community routed wellness initiatives and organizations."

















- Design element of hearts represent the people who are onboard
- Hearts reflects logo design
- Final design will standardize how contact information is displayed on exterior





New slogan connecting brand to service





Logo on all sides of bus will be retroreflective white for safety





Forward lines provide the perception of movement

Procurement of Vinyl Wrapping Service

Wrap for Branding

Wrap for Repairs

Vinyl Safety Stickers

On Call Needs

### Additional Marketing Materials & Website

Handouts/Flyers

**Public Notices** 

**Business Cards** 

Swag

Apparel

Finalize Bus Stop
Design

In Coordination with Bus Stop Study

Launch Date February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2026

**New Buses** 

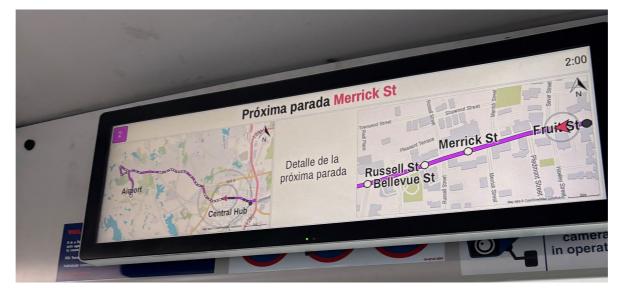


Questions

## Progress



### Infotainment screens aboard buses



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**Mobile Data Terminal** 



**Dispatch Monitoring Platform** 

# Progress









**Installation Worksite**