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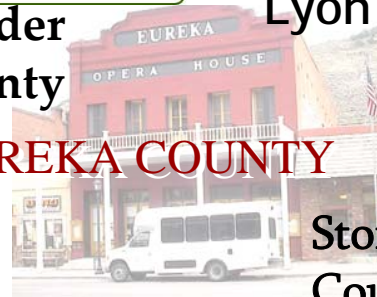


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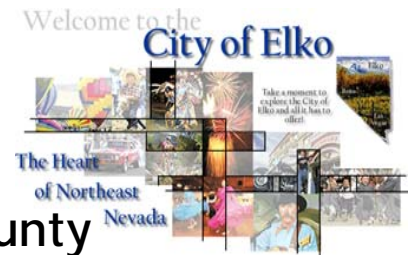
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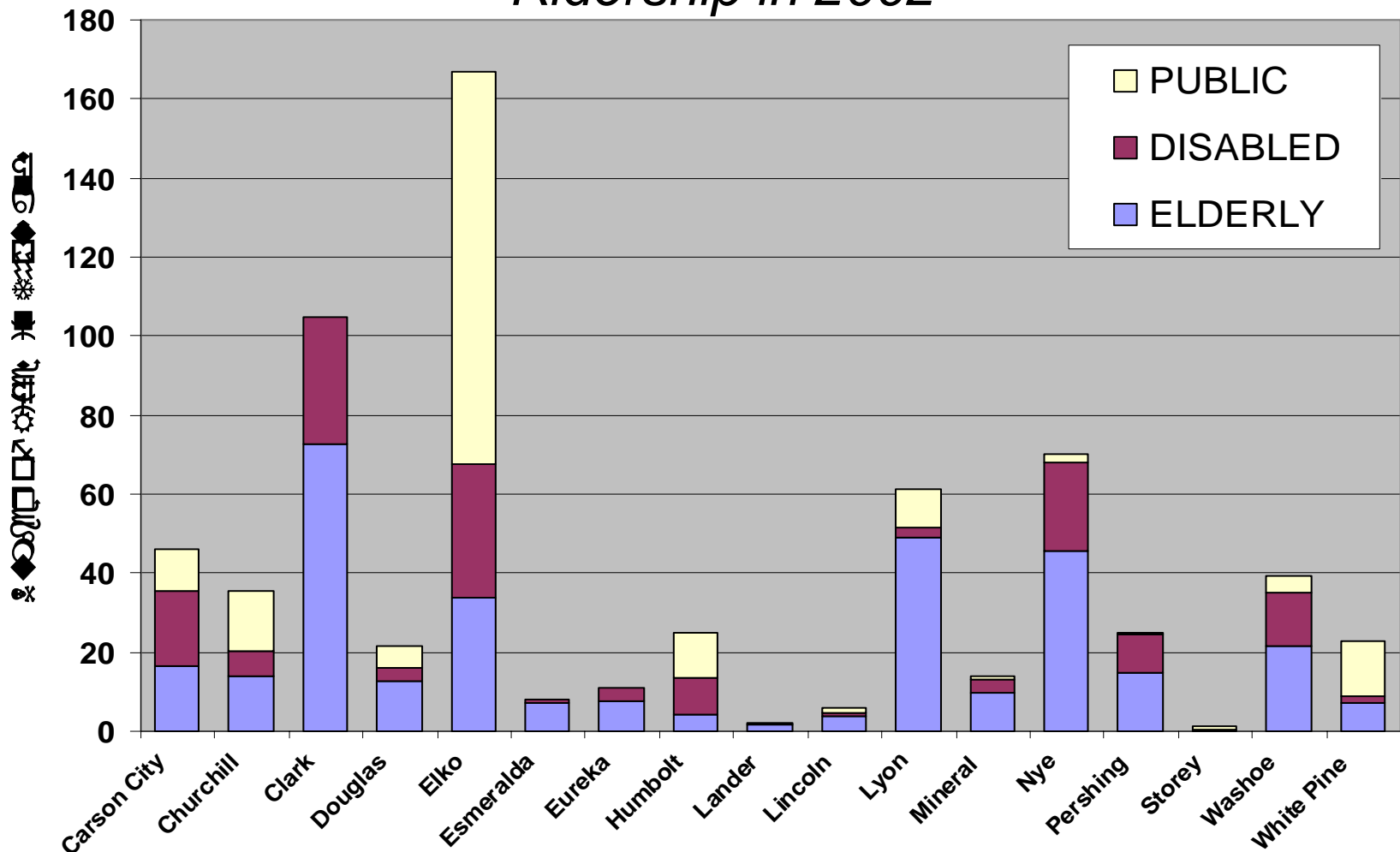
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PRESENTATION PURPOSE & GOALS

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- Understand the Rural Systems
- Meet the Providers
- See the Variety of Services
- People who depend on them (the people they serve)
- Evolution of Services & Systems
- Importance of these rural systems to the isolated areas

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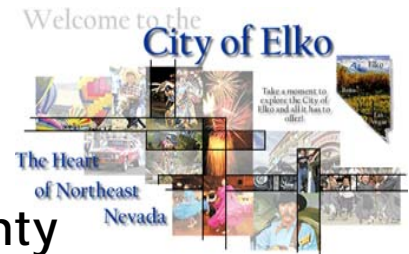
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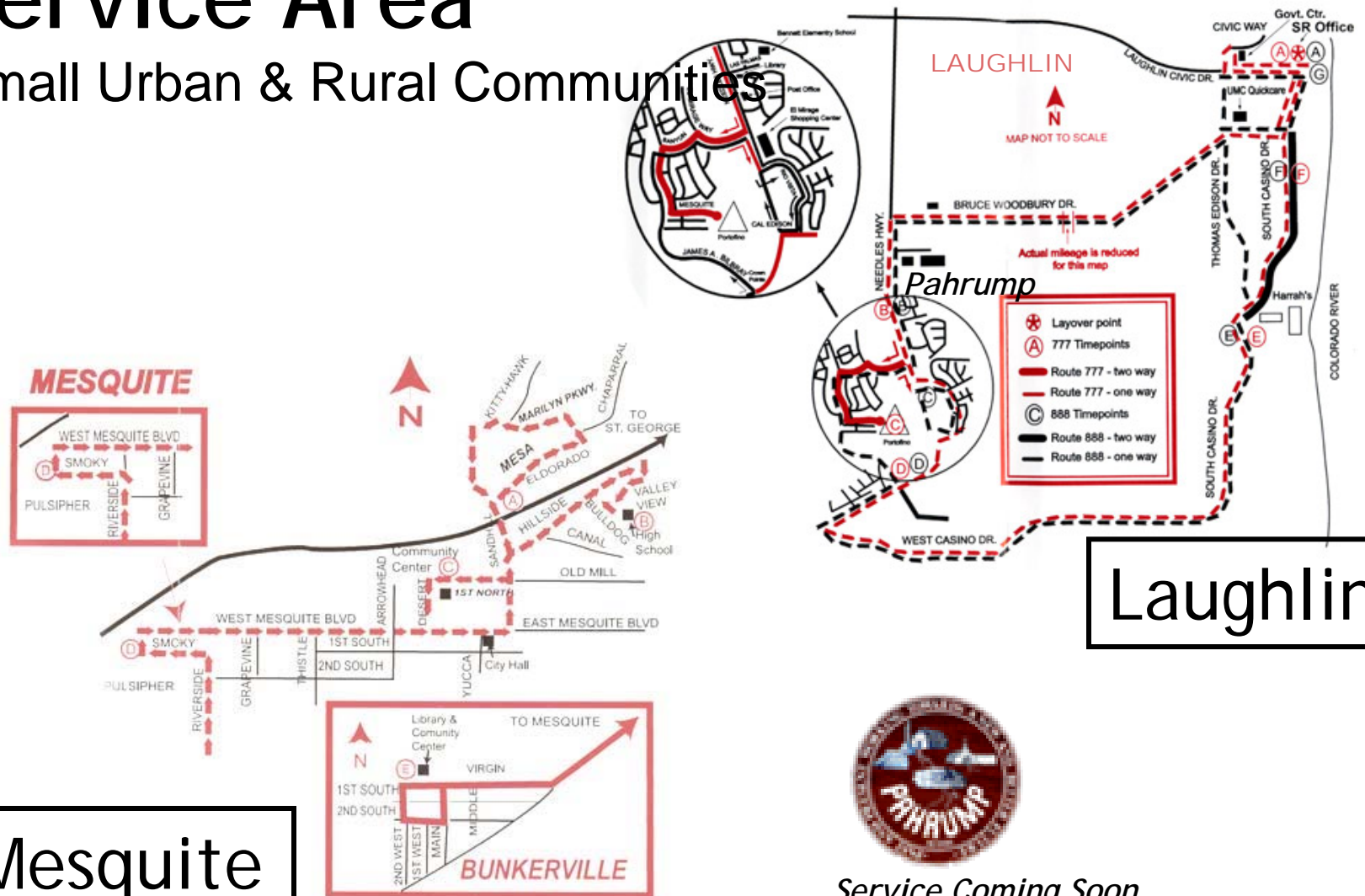
SOUTHERN NEVADA TRANSIT COALITION



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Service Area

Small Urban & Rural Communities



Mesquite



Service Coming Soon...



Pahrump



When the SNTC was founded in June of 2002, the primary focus of the coalition was to bring a transit system to the town of Pahrump. The population of this community has swelled from 9000 residents in 1994 to 30,000 residents in 2004. This growth can be comparable to the growth of the Las Vegas Valley. Pahrump provide rural living with modern conveniences. In April of 2003, Wal Mart opened its doors to a grateful community. Total sales on the first day of operation of Wal Mart in Pahrump were \$325,000.

Pahrump is a bedroom community for Las Vegas. It provides a simpler way of life with most homes on lots about 1 acre or more in size. This has become a logistical nightmare when it comes to providing a viable transit operation. Pahrump is a decentralized community that offers unique challenges when it comes to providing a viable transit operation.

In November 2003, the Nye County Board of Commissioners approved a master plan for the community. This plan enables a transit system to be mapped out. Predetermined locations for business, government buildings, hospitals, and schools help plan routes so transit service can be operated efficiently.

Along with a transit system in the Pahrump Valley, providing a connecting service to Las Vegas must also be considered. With over 40% of the Pahrump Valley's population work in Las Vegas, a service linking into the current Citizen Area Transit (CAT) system is a must. This route would run down highway 160 and tie into the CAT system off of Rainbow and at the Downtown RTC transportation center.

Funding will be the major hurdle for this project. Currently we are looking at approximately \$1,300,000 for the valley and another \$1,100,000 for service to Las Vegas, and an additional \$700,000 to connect communities within Nye County. This will be a major transit project. Funds will need to come from NDOT, Nye County, and the town of Pahrump. No one single funding source will be able to provide total funding for this project.

At the present time the only service being provided in Pahrump is the Senior Transportation Service. Currently the Senior Center is providing 1500 rides per month. This service is at capacity. The Senior Center relies on funding from the Division for Aging Services to provide senior transit service. They also receive funds from Logistic Care for Medicaid Services.

NORTHERN COALITION

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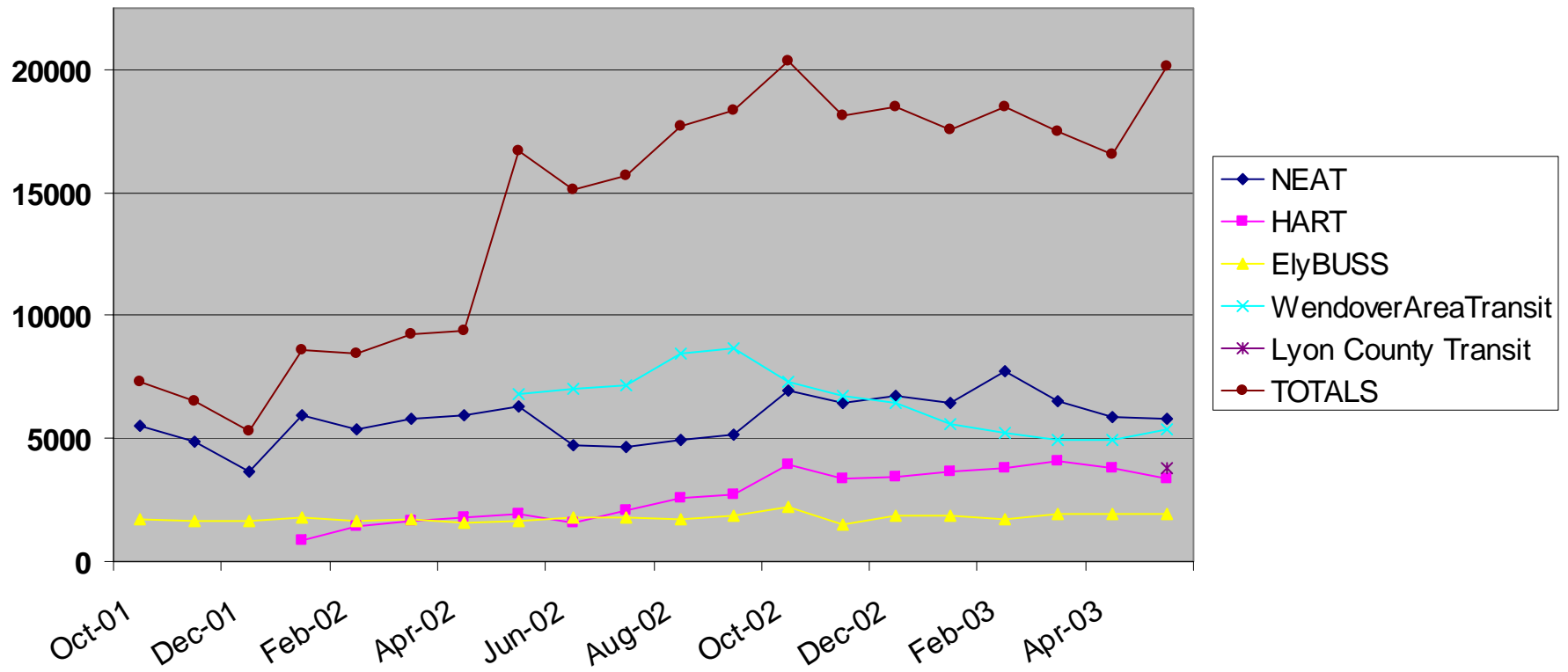
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Northern Nevada Transit Coalition Ridership



TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS

- **Introduction (NNTC)**
- **NENRTC Ridership Chart**
- **N.E.A.T. (Elko)**
- **HART (Winnemucca)**
- **Ely Buss (Ely)**
- **Wendover Area Transit (Wendover)**
- **George Schwin Senior Center (Battle Mountain)**
- **Eureka Senior Center**
- **Carlin Senior Center**
- **Silver Sage Senior Center**

NORTHERN NEVADA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION

Evolving Across the State

- NNRT operating since 1999
- Currently provides over 20,000 rides per month
- Who: elderly, disabled, minority, low-income families, and the general public
- Where: Rural Communities: Elko, Ely, Winnemucca, Carlin, Wells, Wendover, Eureka, and Battle Mountain
- What:
 - Each operation provides door-to-door service that is based on appointment only and a few have deviated fixed and fixed routes.
 - The service provides aides in several different aspects for each individual needs
 - Medical appointments
 - Grocery stores
 - Employment
 - Schools
 - Elderly to local senior center (where they receive nutritional meals they would otherwise not get)
- Need:
 - Most of the communities do not have access to larger public transportation, or taxicab service
 - Our services allow the elderly, and the disabled to continue with independent living
 - Do not need to depend on family members to meet their demands
 - Many senior's cars are taken from them, dramatically limiting quality of life
 - Senior Centers deliver one meal a day to the homebound
 - Also provide funds to the Indian Reservations so they may accommodate people that are in need of Public Transportation
 - Parents depend on our service to transport children to and from school when school transportation is unavailable
 - to may accommodate people that are in need of Public Transportation
 - In the larger communities the general public also uses the service, whether it is to do daily errands, go to medical facilities, or to get back and forth to work. P
- what's possible now:
 - With the funding that the services receive, it allows them to keep the cost of Transportation at a level that is affordable to everyone
 - Every year each of these services become more popular due to the demand for Public Transportation in the rural areas.
 - The smaller communities do not have the same amenities as the larger cities; Public Transportation is considered a necessity not a luxury

Without the funding, these services would not be able to accommodate those that need transportation.

RURAL CENTRAL AREA

Carolyn Gillis

History of the Ely Buss

- operates in 1995 in White Pine County, Northern Nevada
- population of approximately 9,115.

Current Operations

- four vehicles
- three 15 to 21- passenger shuttle buses that are wheel chair accessible
- one 7- passenger van for out of area service.

Rural Community Services

- Ely, McGill, Ruth, and the outlying Sub-Divisions, with door-to-door public transportation.
- The only Public Transportation for White Pine County, many residents depend on our busses running daily.

Growth

Within a year, we have gone from approximately 1,500 passengers to 1,800 passengers a month, and are striving to reach our goal of 2,000 passengers a month. Every year we have exceeded the previous year's passenger count.

The People who Depend on Us

- Our community has many low-income families, disabled individuals, and senior residents that utilize our services.
- State and Local Agency funding enables our service is at a cost that they can afford.
- Local seniors so they may continue with independent living.
- They benefit from our services for employment, medical, nutritional, social, and recreational purposes.
- Individuals that do not have other modes of transportation can rely on us to transport them to training or educational facilities, or to their prospective place of employment.
- We transport children to and from school for parents who do not or are unable to use the Public School Transportation System.
- Our Head Start Program relies on us to transport the children on field trips through out the community and during the summer months to the local swimming pool located in McGill every other day.





















C.A.R.T.

Churchill Area Regional Transportation



Ernie Maguire



C.A.R.T.

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- Program Beginings
 - When
 - Clientele
- C.A.R.T. Progresses & Grows
- The Program as it is Today
- Sister Program: D.A.R.T.



C.A.R.T.

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- Statistics of a Successful Program
 - Riders in Numbers
 - Diversity in Reasons to Ride
- Funding & the People Who Depend on Us
 - Quote on Community Petition
 - Currently Running at Maximum Capacity
- Sustain What we Have Started
- P.R.I.D.E. is Unfortunate Example



C.A.R.T.

Ernie Maguire

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE

- Provides two types of services
 - Demand Response Service
 - Seven routes running daily
 - Fixed Route Service
 - One bus
- Both accommodate lift assist passengers
- 13 mile radius of downtown Fallon
- Rides to Reno two times per week for Senior and disabled medical appointments (general pub if room)

THE PEOPLE WHO DEPEND US

- Elderly
- Disabled
- Public
- Youth

WHY WE'RE SUCCESSFUL

Diverse population of the community use the program for a range of reasons as follows:

- Education
- Employment
- Nutrition
- Medical
- Shopping
- Social & Recreation

Community Response

Sound Off!

423 6014

"In the past couple of weeks my family and I have been finding used syringes on our walks. We have small children and are very concerned. We'd like to have something done about the people that are using them and not putting them away properly. My little girls might pick up a syringe and not knowing any better could get HIV or hepatitis.
Fallon

"In the last few months I have been unable to drive because of health problems. I have been riding CART. Not only do I get good, prompt service, but everyone is so polite and considerate. It's a

wonderful thing to have.
Fallon

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“C.A.R.T. Transportation thanks

customers”

Community Response

8-9-00

Letters to the Editor

C.A.R.T. Transportation thanks customers

The C.A.R.T. (Churchill Area Regional Transportation) staff would like to take this opportunity to thank the riders who have supported the system since beginning service on January 18. In six months of operation, C.A.R.T. has given 7,209 rides and has logged 33,761 miles. This system could not have been successful without the support of the community.

C.A.R.T. is in the process, within the next few months, of developing a fixed route service within the City of Fallon. This will give customers an alternative if

they can't book 24 hours in advance.

C.A.R.T. is here for everyone in our serving area, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Call our friendly dispatchers at 478-7988 24 hours.

Answer schedule pickup. Cost is \$1 each way and seniors is a 50% donation. You can book up to 5 days in advance. Book as early as possible as seats are going fast.

C.A.R.T. Staff

Thanks

Editor:

On behalf of Fallon Youth Baseball and all its officers, we would like to take this time to thank the many people who made this year's Fallon Youth Baseball Bean Feed a great success. Not only to the kids who played games

day and sold tickets, (a little over 11,000), but especially to the parents who donated food and time for the Bean Feed. To the townspeople who stopped by and had lunch with us and to the many

thankful. Without this support we could never have made it and possibly, registration fees could be as high as \$100-\$150.

We would like to especially thank the following people for the donation and/or many hours of time spent helping to make the Bean

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Mineral County Care and Share Senior Center

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RURAL CENTRAL AREA

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- **Representing the Frontier Communities**
- **Diverse programs strive for the same goals**
- **Looking at the Isolation of the small rural communities for seniors**
- **Statistics of elderly who depend on our service for their way of life (graph)**
- **Daily,weekly & monthly service within communities**
- **Out-of-Town Trips (reno, sparks, carson city, fallon, bishop, Elko and others**
- **What we risk**





Rural Transportation in Hawthorne & Mina

Five Year Ridership Study

