

GVFTransportation

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Creating partnerships

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Norman Vutz, Chairman
Board of Supervisors
Schuylkill Township
111 Valley Park Road
Phoenixville, PA 19460

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Dear Mr. Vutz:

As you know, GVF Transportation is a public/private partnership that seeks to expand the forum in which the business community, county, and state officials can cooperatively address and seek resolutions to traffic related problems affecting the Greater Valley Forge Region. By improving mobility and safety through the reduction of congestion and pollution, GVF Transportation can assist Schuylkill Township to promote its orderly growth and ensure its continued economic vitality.

The rapid growth of the Greater Valley Forge Region over the past decade presents all stakeholders with a great opportunity to improve quality of life in the area. As such, we continually analyze the needs of our partners to develop programs and services that keep roads safe and accessible.

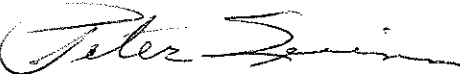
Of particular interest to Schuylkill Township is our advocating of smart land-use policies that properly shape population density. Additionally, our growing relationship with Chester County municipalities along the U.S. Route 422 Corridor will promote a spirit of cooperation among all of the key partners in the region.

GVF Transportation is looking forward to creating a strong bond with Schuylkill Township to work on strategies, now and in the future, that provide better mobility in the region and to assist the Township in meeting its transportation needs.

Enclosed is a comprehensive list of what GVF Transportation offers to its members. GVF Transportation will provide these services to Schuylkill Township as part of its partnership. Attached is an invoice for the Township's partnership dues.

I feel this can be a terrific partnership with many opportunities for all parties.

Sincerely,

Peter Quinn 
Executive Director

Public/Private Partnerships and Coalitions

GVF Transportation currently operates four public/private Coalitions that serve four very distinct transportation corridors. They are the US 422 Corridor Coalition, the Southeastern Montgomery County Transportation Coalition, the Route 309 Coalition, and the Schuylkill Valley Transportation Coalition. The US 422 Corridor has a significant impact on Schuylkill Township residents who use the facility for their daily commutes. The Coalition is partnering with the 422 River Crossing Complex Steering Committee to generate Federal and State resources to improve the facility. Together, the Committee has raised \$26 Million. Construction on the first portion called the Interim Project is scheduled to begin in December.

Additionally, on a more modest scale, there are intersection improvements in the township which the TMA can support.

Transit Planning

GVF Transportation works with businesses and municipalities on Transit Planning. GVF Transportation can do a study of travel patterns and existing service to help develop the best solutions to fit your needs. Some examples include:

- Lower Providence Township: GVF Transportation is currently working with Lower Providence Township to study the need for a local area transit system.
- Cheltenham Public Transit Bus: GVF Transportation markets the shuttle for the Township. We have worked with the township to redesign the service and create a new schedule and route.
- IKEA: GVF Transportation worked with SEPTA to expand service into their facility off of Ridge Pike in Plymouth Township
- Philadelphia Premium Outlets: GVF Transportation worked with SEPTA and Pottstown Area Rapid Transit to expand service into the new facility in Limerick Township
- Vanguard: GVF Transportation has been managing transit from SEPTA locations to Vanguard facilities in Chester County since 1999.
- Independence Blue Cross: GVF Transportation has been managing transit from SEPTA locations to their facilities in King of Prussia since 1999.
- The Rambler: GVF Transportation has been managing local community shuttles for Upper Merion Township since 1999 and the Borough of Conshohocken since 2002.

Regional Traffic Advisory Websites

GVF Transportation maintains several websites to provide partners with the most comprehensive regional transportation information. The websites are:

- www.gvftma.com
GVF Transportation's homepage, featuring links to all other websites as well as general information regarding our organization and contact information for all of our employees.

- www.phillytraffic.com
Updated every Friday afternoon, this website allows visitors to view the upcoming week's PennDOT projects in the region. Visitors can also sign-up for carpooling, register for the weekly email update, view regional traffic cameras, and view the locations of Park-n-Ride lots in the area.
- www.422coalition.com
The official website of the U.S. Route 422 Corridor Coalition provides information on the coalition, as well as meeting minutes and an interactive matrix of the proposed roadwork along the Corridor.
- www.svtransportation.com
The official website of the Schuylkill Valley Transportation Coalition provides information on the coalition, as well as meeting minutes and an interactive matrix of the proposed roadwork in the Service Area.
- www.smtcoalition.com
The official website of the Southeastern Montgomery County Transportation Coalition provides information on the coalition, as well as meeting minutes and an interactive matrix of the proposed roadwork in the Service Area.
- www.localroads.com
A seasonal website that keeps visitors apprised of local (non-PennDOT) roadwork.
- www.us202.com
Provides visitors with information and other news regarding the ongoing construction on U.S. Route 202.
- www.309online.com
Provides visitors with information and other news regarding the ongoing construction on PA Route 309.

Informational Services

GVF Transportation strives to keep organizations updated on current transportation issues. AIM: Americans in Motion is GVF Transportation's public policy newsletter covering present and developing transportation issues both nationally and in Pennsylvania.

GVF Transportation continues to organize and implement annual public policy forums to focus on major Transportation issues that necessitate their serious attention.

Additionally, GVF Transportation provides weekly e-mails to its partners – updating them on recent developments in the transportation arena.

Up-to-the-Minute Traffic Information

GVF Transportation is linked to Traffic.com to provide information on traffic flow, notable incidents, roadway advisories, planned events that disrupt traffic, and notice of trouble spots. The website www.traffic.com is updated every 60 seconds, and the site can

be accessed through the TMA website, www.gvftma.com. See the link page for this and other transportation information sources.

Regional Representation

GVF Transportation represents the Township's transportation needs and issues at a number of regional groups. Some of those groups include:

- Schuylkill Valley Metro Coalition
- DVRPC Movable Goods Task Force
- DVRPC Regional Transportation Committee
- Pennsylvania Environmental Council
- Pennsylvania Economy League
- Representation on Multiple Chambers of Commerce
- Route 202 Leadership Executive Committee
- Southeastern Pennsylvania Regional Transportation Coalition
- The US 422 Corridor Coalition
- The Schuylkill River Greenway Association
- The Mid-Atlantic Chapter of ACT
- The Valley Forge Programmatic Agreement Implementation Steering Committee
- Southeastern PA Counter Terror Task Force
- The Delaware Valley Goods Movement Task Force

Agreed by:

Name

Title

Date