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BC TRANSIT CELEBRATES 10 YEARS IN CRANBROOK

CRANBROOK, B.C. – BC Transit is celebrating 10 years of conventional transit service in Cranbrook.

On December 1, 2000, BC Transit launched the Cranbrook transit system with four low floor accessible vehicles providing fixed route, scheduled transit service. In its first full year, 107,510 passengers used the system. In the last 10 years, ridership has more than doubled, with over 220,000 passengers making BC Transit their sustainable transportation option in 2009/10.

"Congratulations to everyone in Cranbrook for making transit an important option in your community," said Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Shirley Bond. "Our government is proud to work in partnership with Cranbrook so those living in the community have sustainable transportation choices."

"Our continued transit service in Cranbrook is an important component of our community's sustainability vision," said Mayor Scott Manjak. "Both myself and Council are very pleased to be celebrating a decade of transit service for our residents."

"Over the past 10 years, we have worked with our local partners to develop a transit system that links communities, businesses and lifestyles in Cranbrook," said Manuel Achadinha, President and CEO of BC Transit. "We are pleased to be celebrating this significant milestone and look forward to continuing to provide an effective and sustainable transportation solution for the region."

Funding for the Cranbrook Transit System is cost shared between the City of Cranbrook and BC Transit. For information on the Cranbrook Transit System, visit the BC Transit website at www.bctransit.com.