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Hullo STIF Funding People:

Please help me and support the increase in transit funding and solidify the STIF program. You see, I rely on Trimet in the Portland Metro Area, and WES and SMART Bus systems for work. I am a sports official and help referee local and regional leagues, both youth and adults, and use multimodal transport to reach the fields and back home. Yes, I ride my bicycle to train stations and then take the public transport, spending more time in travel, however not drive (or own) a car. This is physical hardship, however methinks I contribute in other ways to improve the quality of life of others. Wouldn't you say so?

Now, if there was no trains (Max or Wes) available, then I'd be riding more, and would face more physical hardship. I have been officiating in Portland-Camas-McMinnville-Salem area since 2006, when the legs were a youngish 52. I would like to continue to officiate, however, the prospect of reduction in public transport is stressing me out. Why would I be still helping the community I live in when the community does not bother, i ask.

Say, please support the house bill and help prevent residents like me from contributing meaningfully to the members of society, the youth f today who well as may lead the state and country tomorrow, and the adults who are spending time with their mates and shouting at the referee (me) just to feel their youth.

Wishing you continued successes in your endeavours to support the house bill 2025.

With sincere regards,

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