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## **Tell Chris Abele: Don't Cut Transit!**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**Press Conference/Public Briefing  
Milwaukee County Courthouse  
First Floor Rotunda  
901 N 9th St., Milwaukee  
8:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 8**

### **There's a transit crisis brewing in Milwaukee County.**

We're in danger of losing critical bus service – with many of the proposed cuts in routes and schedules falling heaviest on people of color and the economically disadvantaged.

County Executive Chris Abele also wants to make cuts in transit worker benefits that would result in poorer-quality healthcare – despite costing workers up to thousands of dollars more every year. And he's telling the public the cuts to service will be even deeper if we don't accept.

Join ATU 998 members and community leaders for a public briefing on these issues. Then join us as we address the Milwaukee County Board's committee on transit in County Courthouse Room 201-B at 9 a.m.

### **No More Divide and Conquer!**

Drivers have gone without significant pay raises for years. We were told that was the price we had to pay to keep our health insurance. Now we're being told our health insurance is going to be gutted anyway, raising annual healthcare costs for some workers by thousands of dollars while providing lower-quality care.

Passengers are being told that if transit workers don't accept the cuts, it will be the workers' fault that deep cuts are made in service. Abele is trying to pit transit workers against transit riders, when really they are natural allies in the fight for Better Transit For All.

Join us on Wednesday as transit workers and the community come together to make our transit stronger and better able to serve riders.

Much more information is on our website, [atu998.org](http://atu998.org)

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