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Sens fans score with increased OC Transpo service on game night

Ottawa – OC Transpo is pleased to announce a new transit hub from Bayshore Station to Scotiabank Place for all Senators' games and events, starting Friday, January 14. Hockey fans can hop aboard any bus heading to Bayshore Station and, from there, catch a Connexion 400 bus that will take them directly to the game.

"Finding ways to improve service for customers, that also benefits our community partners like the Senators, is a win for everyone," said Mayor Jim Watson. "Bayshore Station will now serve as a hub for more frequent, reliable transit service to Sens games at no extra cost."

Connexion 400 buses depart every 10 minutes from Bayshore Station starting approximately one and half hours before game time. Travel time is about 15 minutes on Routes 402 and 406, and 28 minutes on Route 404. Getting to Bayshore Station is easy on Route 96, which travels via downtown and the Transitway. Catch your Connexion 400 bus at Bayshore stop 1A.

"Sens fans from across the city will find Connexion 400 service direct to Scotiabank Place a stress-free way to travel to the game," said Transit Commission Chair Diane Deans. "Customers can use the online Travel Planner to see how easy it is to get to the game from more places across the city."

"I am excited to have this improved service for residents from across the city," said Councillor Shad Qadri, who represents the Stittsville ward. "Not only will this enhanced service provide access to Scotiabank Place for our residents to attend numerous events and hockey games, but also, it allows better access to the community of Stittsville."

"This is good news for Senator fans and people who attend events at Scotiabank Place," said Cyril Leeder, president of Senators Sports and Entertainment. "We are committed to continuing to work with the City of Ottawa and OC Transpo to find ways to improve transportation to and from Scotiabank Place."

The new service from Bayshore adds to the Connexion 400 service that already operates several direct trips to Scotiabank Place from strategic points across the city: Route 401 from Blair Station, Route 402 from Billings Bridge and South Keys, Route 403 from Hurdman Station and downtown, Route 404 from Eagleson and Terry Fox, Route 405 from Orléans, and Route 406 from Barrhaven. Direct Connexion 400 service is also available from these Park & Ride lots, which offer free parking: Trim, Place d'Orléans, Blair (Telesat), Greenboro, Strandherd, Fallowfield, Baseline, Eagleson and Terry Fox.

After the game, the Connexion 400 buses will be waiting for customers at the same stop at which they were dropped off. Regular fares apply.

For travel planning and schedule information, contact OC Transpo at 613-741-4390 or visit www.octranspo.com.

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