

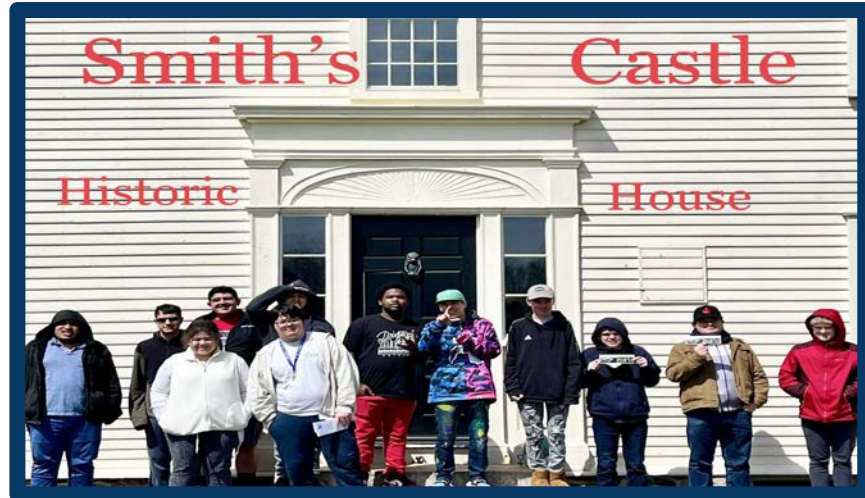
# Rhode Island Transition Academy 2023

## APRIL NEWSLETTER

*There's no time like springtime!*

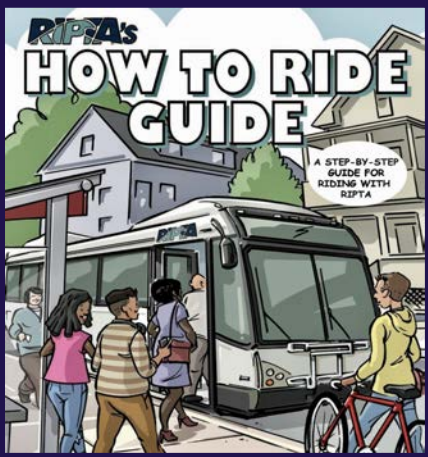
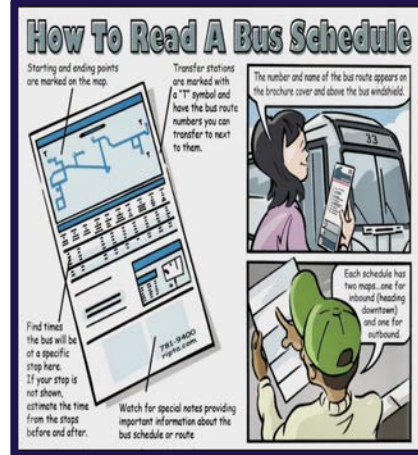
### RITA EVENTS

- \*April's Theme:  
Transportation  
Month
- \*Monthly Featured  
Internship
- \*Community Day  
Roundup for April



# April's Theme is Transportation and Community Living

# RIDE



Our students enjoy getting into the community by visiting the local community center, tourism center [Newport], learning to use public transportation by planning, paying, and actually riding RIPTA (buses) and Commuter Rail (Trains). In addition to the standard bus routes, the students discover that RIPTA offers the RIDE Program for people with disabilities that prevent the use of fixed-route buses, RIPTA offers paratransit service through the Ride Program, as required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).



# Monthly Featured Student Internship: Federal Hill House



The FHH Food Pantry helps individuals and families stretch their limited resources to help put healthy food on the table, every day. Individuals and families can access food pantry twice a month for up to a week's worth of food, for free. They offer fresh produce, nutrition education, resources and referrals to additional community services. Our **RITA interns** are responsible for stocking the non-perishable bulk food items from the stockroom/storage area to be further broken-down and placed on designated shelves in the donation-bag assembly area. Additionally, they assemble large, paper donation-bags with the specified food items.



# Community Day Roundup for April



Built in 1678 and a National Historic Landmark since 1993, Smith's Castle is now a historic house museum. Our students got to stroll its gardens and embark on guided tours of the museum which preserves and interprets over 400 years of Rhode Island history. Thank you to both our guides.

