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Ted Smith, PhD, Board Chairperson
Transit Authority of River City (TARC)
1000 West Broadway
Louisville, KY 40203

Dear Dr. Smith,

The growing Louisville Climate Action [Network](#) (LCAN) now consists of 66 community and faith-based organizations, for-profit businesses and educational institutions, 1,200 individual subscribers and 1,300 social media followers. LCAN provides these programs:

1. Energy-efficiency and solar power assessments and guidance to nonprofit and faith-based clients so they may “spend less on utilities, more on mission.”
2. Educational workshops, consumer guidance, web pages, etc., on climate solutions.
3. Advocacy leadership for smarter public policies that reduce carbon pollution.

LCAN urges TARC to adopt a strong Growth Plan for the following reasons:

1. Transit is critical infrastructure. Louisville requires power, fuel, water, wastewater treatment, internet—and mobility—services to function well.
2. A significant portion of our community depends on TARC to get to school, work, medical appointments and more. Those neighbors may be too young, physically incapable or unable to afford to own and operate a private automobile.
3. Tailpipe emissions are a big source of the air-quality challenges that compromise Louisville’s health, economic viability and reputation—and that warm our planet. Transit allows us to have mobility and reduce pollution.

Cooperatively,

Sarah Lynn Cunningham, PE, Executive Director

c: Louisville Metro Council
Mayor Craig Greenberg

**I can, you can,
Louisville CAN!**

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