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## Kwantlen Student Association Still Focused on Transportation Improvements

**SURREY, BC** – While the Kwantlen Student Association (KSA) is disappointed in the referendum result, we will continue to advocate for the transit improvements that this region needs.

After countless hours communicating with its members, the KSA understands that people voted no for a variety of reasons, but that this was not a rejection of better public transit. **“From what we saw the vast majority of Metro Vancouverites want public transit improvements, but voted no out of frustration,”** noted Alex McGowan, Vice President External, **“The results provide a clear mandate to the provincial government to work with the region to fund the region’s transit and transportation needs.”**

While the KSA is disappointed, the plan is to move forward and work with all levels of government to find a sustainable funding source for necessary transit expansion in the lower mainland. The KSA hopes that the coalition that came together to support the referendum continues its support of solutions to the transit funding problem in Metro Vancouver.

The KSA calls for the Premier to be at the table finding solutions. **“We were happy to hear the Premier talk about the importance of transit, and look forward to working on that goal,”** said McGowan.

Every part of the region has need for transit improvement; but that need is acutely felt south of the Fraser River, where Kwantlen’s campuses are located. KSA President, Allison Gonzalez, highlighted the need saying **“Our region is growing, our transit system needs to grow with it or we will continue to be stuck in neutral.”**

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