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## **Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART) names Chief Operating Officer**

**Des Moines, Iowa** – Tim Sanderson\* has been named Chief Operating Officer for the Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority (DART). In this role, Sanderson will lead DART's largest department of approximately 200 employees including Fixed Route Transportation, Paratransit and Flex Transportation, Vehicle Maintenance, Service Management, Safety and Training, and Facility Maintenance.

"Tim's extensive experience in operations leadership at small- and medium-sized transit systems will be a great asset for DART," said DART General Manager Elizabeth Presutti. "His leadership will be instrumental as we continually seek to improve service to our customers in the Greater Des Moines region."

"I am very excited and privileged to become the newest member of the DART team," said Sanderson. "I look forward to serving the citizens of the Greater Des Moines region by helping to provide a high-quality transportation option."

Sanderson has more than 15 years of experience in transit in Nashville, Tennessee; Winnipeg, Canada; and Brandon, Canada. His most recent position was as Director of Transportation Services for the City of Brandon, Manitoba, Canada. Prior to that he worked at the Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority as Director of Operations, Director of Planning and Director of Administration. Sanderson began his transit experience as a Bus Operator and Transit Inspector for Winnipeg Transit.

Sanderson's education includes a Master of Public Administration and Bachelor of Arts from the University of Manitoba. He is a Certified Fleet Manager through the NAFA Fleet Management Association and has been a frequent presenter at conferences of the American Public Transportation Association.

*The Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority is the public transportation provider that serves Polk County. DART operates a family of transportation services that makes getting around the Greater Des Moines area easier and more convenient. For more information about DART services, schedules, route changes, or directions to the nearest DART stop, visit the website at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com) or call 515-283-8100. The MyDART Tools, Trip Planner and RideTime Transit app are now available at [www.ridedart.com](http://www.ridedart.com).*

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**\*Photo attached.**