

# Transit: Is Wake County ready for it?

*A community forum on transit*

Thursday, June 26, 2008  
7 pm – 9:30 pm (please register 6:30 -7 pm)  
NCSU McKimmon Center

**I. Welcome and Overview** 7 -7:10 pm  
Karen Rindge, Chair, WakeUP Wake County  
Additional welcome by elected official

**II. Keynote Address** 7:10 – 7: 45 pm  
***By Choice or by chance: How can transit help us plan for a future of growth?***  
Carol Coletta, CEO, CEO's for Cities

Q&A 7:45 – 8:00 pm

**III. Charlotte Transit Story** 8:00 – 8:15 pm  
Keith Parker, CEO, Charlotte Area Transit System

Q&A 8:15 – 8:25 pm

SHORT BREAK 8:25 – 8:30 pm

**IV. Panel Discussion on Local Perspectives on Transit** 8:30 – 9:25 pm  
Community leaders respond with their perspective to questions related to the future of transit in the Triangle. Topics will include the recently released STAC proposal and transit as an opportunity for community development.

**Moderator and introductory remarks:**  
Nina Szlosberg, board member, NCDOT, and NC 21<sup>st</sup> Century Transportation Commission

**STAC overview:** 8:35 – 8:40 pm  
John Hodges-Copple, Triangle J Council of Governments

***Panel Participants: (invited)***  
Mary Ann Baldwin, Raleigh City Council  
Matt Christiansen, Division Vice President, KB Home  
Courtney Crowder, SE Raleigh Assembly  
Smedes York, Co-chair, Special Transit Advisory Commission  
Young business leader

**VI. Closing Remarks** 9:25 – 9:30 pm