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Scottish Government Transport Analytical Services Division would be grateful for your support in **circulating the following survey** for completion by parents/carers and/or children aged 12+:

## https://online1.snapsurveys.com/Yr1-YPFreeBusTravel

The closing date for all responses is 9th July 2023.

## **About the survey**

Do you have a child aged 5-16, or are you a young person aged 12-23? If so, please complete our short travel survey for a chance to win up to £250 in One4All vouchers. We want to hear from both those who use the Young Person's Free Bus Travel and those who don't.

The Scottish Government launched the Free Bus Travel Scheme for young people between the ages of 5 and 21 in January 2022. This aims to encourage greener travel patterns, and increase opportunities for young people to engage in employment, education and social activities, and not be excluded due to travel costs.

Transport Scotland are monitoring the scheme as it progresses to check on use and impact. This survey seeks to understand use of the scheme and any benefits or challenges that have been experienced since its introduction.

We would be grateful if parents/carers of younger children (i.e. those aged 5-16), or young people aged 12-23 themselves, could complete this short travel survey. The questionnaire asks about current travel behaviour, your thoughts about bus travel generally, about use of the Young Person's Free bus Travel Scheme, and for those who don't use it, we want to know the reasons why. As such, we are keen to get feedback from those who have signed-up to the scheme and those who have not, as well as those aged 22-23 who would have been eligible for the scheme previously. This should take no more than 10 minutes to do, and you need to live in Scotland.

Contact Us: If you have any questions about the work or problems completing the questionnaire, please contact our Project Manager, Elaine Wilson-Smith, at elaine@wellsideresearch.co.uk or on 0131 677 5522.