



# Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments

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## JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

### Regional Transit Planner

The Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG) is seeking a motivated, self-directed planning professional to support the seventeen member municipalities, Estuary Transit District (ETD), and CTDOT in planning for public transportation within the Lower Connecticut River Valley Region and Estuary Transit District service area. The position requires working with professional staff, and associated boards, commissions, and committees and will be shared with ETD. The Transit Planner should have the ability to work with various groups of people, in particular with current and potential transit riders, and should understand transit operations and the transit user experience.

The Transit Planner will mainly work on projects for the recently merged Estuary Transit District including a system-wide redesign of routes, growing ETD municipal membership, developing an implementation plan for electric buses, and other items from the 2020 Regional Transit Study (<https://www.rivercog.org/plans/transit-study/>). The Planner will attend all board and COG/MPO meetings and perform transportation planning work for the COG and ETD. The position will require work in the RiverCOG offices in the Centerbrook section of Essex, CT, as well as times work at ETD facilities in Centerbrook and Middletown. A hybrid remote and in-person work week may be possible.

Working knowledge and understanding of transit planning, transit operations, the principles of good transportation, land use, and regional planning, including Federal and State transportation planning processes, and transit rider experience are necessary. Experience with data collection/analysis, software that supports transit planning such as AVL, TBEST, Optibus, or Trillium, transit operations, fantastic verbal and written communication skills, and presentation skills are desired.

The Transit Planner position requires a Master's degree in urban or regional planning, geography, or closely-related field, with a minimum of one (1) year of professional transit planning or other related work in transit operations, OR a Bachelor's degree in the same fields with a minimum of three (3) years of professional state/regional/municipal or other related work. A combination of education and experience that demonstrates the ability to meet the requirements of the position may be considered. Valid driver's license and own transportation also required.

This position may be filled at a salary depending on qualifications. RiverCOG has a 35-hour flexible work week, health and dental insurance, 401a retirement and 457 deferred compensation plans, life insurance, disability insurance and paid leave time.

Send a cover letter and resume to Executive Director, RiverCOG, 145 Dennison Road, Essex, CT 06426-1361 or Email: [elopresti@rivercog.org](mailto:elopresti@rivercog.org) (Include Regional Transit Planner in the cover letter and email Subject).

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**Deadline: Applications Accepted Until Position Filled****AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

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