PROVINCIAL LEGISLATION
AND PREMIERS CAN
PROTECT TRANSIT
WORKERS BY PROVIDING:

1. Emergency funding for transit systems to offset increased costs and lost revenue.
   - Ensure transit agencies are reimbursed for increased operating costs and lost revenue during the crisis.
   - Ensure that all available funds for transit agencies can be flexed and applied to urgent service needs, workforce protection, and long-term workforce retention.

2. Priority distribution of PPE to frontline transit system workers.
   - Official recognition of transit workers as “front-line” to make them eligible for increased protections.
   - Additional funds for the purchase and distribution of N95 mask, gloves, goggles and other necessary PPE.
   - Additional funds for cleaning and disinfecting of vehicles, workspaces, and high touch areas throughout transit systems and workplaces.

3. Job Protection in the event of lay-offs as a result of COVID-19.
   - Guaranteed recall and full wage benefit payments to workers during lay-off period.

4. 100% paid sick leave.
   - At least 15 days of paid sick leave for all workers in the event they are exposed or believed to have been exposed to COVID-19.
   - Paid at their regular rate of pay.
   - Guaranteed job protection for the duration of the quarantine order.
   - Waive requirements to provide doctor’s note for eligibility.

5. Continued pay for motorcoach staff and school bus workers during school closures.
   - Demand that motor coach employees are guaranteed crew values or mileage allowance.
   - Demand that school bus operators get paid crew values until the end of the school year.

ATU COVID-19 COMMAND & RESPONSE HOTLINES

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