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PSTA Opens New Mid-County Customer Service Center

Who: The [Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority \(PSTA\)](#), the [City of Pinellas Park](#)

What: Celebrates the opening of PSTA's new Pinellas Park Transit Center

When: 10:00 am Tuesday, January 13, 2015

Where: 3801 70th Ave. North, Pinellas Park (on the south side of the Shoppes at Park Place mall)

Officials from the Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority and City of Pinellas Park celebrated the Grand Opening of PSTA's first mid-county transit center in Pinellas Park today. The leaders gathered with PSTA and city staff as well as bus riders and members of the public for the official ribbon cutting and Grand Opening of the new Pinellas Park Transit Center.

"This is a win-win and a perfect example of intergovernmental partnership between PSTA and the City of Pinellas Park," said PSTA Board Chair and Clearwater City Council Member Bill Jonson. "Plus, it's an equally fine example of a Public-Private Partnership, with Boulder Venture South providing the land on which this new facility sits." The new transit center is PSTA's first mid-county Customer Service facility and is expected to go a long way in helping the agency meet the demand for additional service centers and ticket outlets as transit ridership continues at all-time, record setting levels.

"No matter what our funding status, we have to maintain our commitment to our customers and that's what this facility is all about," says PSTA CEO Brad Miller. Miller says the state of the art facility features many new amenities and resources for PSTA's third busiest transfer location including:

- Public restrooms
- A two station Customer Service booth
- Security cameras
- ATM machine
- New sidewalk for safer access to shopping
- New concrete in bus lanes
- A raised traffic table for safer pedestrian crossing

Today's ribbon cutting marked the opening of PSTA's first new Customer Service center in 13 years. The last being PSTA's Grand Central Station, which opened along Central Avenue in St. Petersburg in 2002. PSTA officials say the new Pinellas Park Transit Center and its amenities will be valuable resources for both the surrounding community the county's transit riders.

Operating hours for the new Pinellas Park Transit Center are as follows: Monday thru Saturday: 7:15am to 5:15pm
Sundays & Holidays: 8:00am to 4:00pm (closed for lunch between 11:00 am and noon).

To learn more about PSTA, please visit the agency's award winning website at www.psta.net.



Pictured (left to right): PSTA Board Members Joe Barkley, Mark Deighton, Patricia Johnson, Bill Jonson, Pinellas Park City Council Member Rick Butler, City Manager Doug Lewis and PSTA CEO Brad Miller.

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