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MADISON, Wis. — Affordable housing and accessible transit are essential to an inclusive economy. And they are essential to each other.

News 3 reporter Amanda Quintana a couple of weeks ago told [the story of Kim Owens and some of her fellow residents at the Dryden Apartments on Madison's Northside.](#)

Kim said changes Madison Metro was considering to the Route 21 bus would make it much more difficult for elderly residents and people with disabilities to get to the bus, and thus to get to where they need to go. To its credit Metro saw the problem and withdrew the proposal.

Obviously this is an issue with a limited impact. But it is a great example of the need to make transit accessible to citizens living in affordable housing, not just on Londonberry Drive but throughout the city, especially as the city builds more affordable units. This should be just the start of the community conversation on how we do that.



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