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Cori: Well, if someone's gonna live within the community, which is where everybody is living, you need to be able to get around in the community. You need to be able to if your whole if you go to a job or a day program, you need to be able to get there. Sure. There's Para Transpo, but you also have to learn how to drive within Para Transpo properly, how to take Para Transpo properly. But if you're capable, taking OC Transpo and the O-Train is very important too, to learn how to take it appropriately either with an attendant helping you or independently on your own to get to a job, to go out and socialize with your friends, to join groups that you wanna be involved with. Just regular day to day things, getting your groceries. Transportation is, think to yourself, what can you do in your life without transportation, be it public transportation or if you're able to drive a car, but other people there are many people with disabilities that are not able to drive a car, so this is the next thing.

Mike: Right. And kind of thinking about that, you know, from that housing perspective, if you have a house, somewhere and you're not able to, use the transportation system or have those supports, you're essentially stuck in that one place, right?

Cori: Exactly

Mike: I think we can sort of backtrack a little bit. I did say the term bus training. But can you explain what bus training is?

Cori: Sure. Bus training is helping an individual know how to use public transportation appropriately, everything from how to get on the bus and pay for using the system. Where to sit in the bus, because we all take this for granted. It doesn't come as easy for some people where you should sit. You know, do you sit on the aisle? Do you go right away towards the window? Do you sit in that first row for people that's meant for people who maybe have mobility issues? Do you sit there? Do you talk really loudly on a bus? So you're teaching all the unwritten rules about how to use the bus. You teach how to read the bus signs, how to know which bus is yours, where to transfer, how to use the trip planner on the OC Transpo website, how to use that to figure out your trip. How to ask for help if you're confused if the O Train has broken down, and you don't know what to do because that's not your regular route. Just everything needed in order to use public transportation in a safe and effective manner.