

RIDER NEWS

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Have You Thanked Your Driver Lately? National Transit Driver Appreciation Day - March 18



Consider this: For hours on end, transit drivers manage to keep a schedule, take fares, give directions, pick-up and drop-off passengers, and more, all while safely maneuvering an extra-large vehicle through unpredictable traffic, adverse weather conditions, and some really tight spaces! And, our drivers get nearly 15,000 passengers safely to and from their destinations every day. Transit drivers don't have an easy job, they just make it look that way!

Join us this month in celebrating the contributions of our hard-working bus drivers. That could be as simple as a smile and a wave when you board the bus and a "thank you" when you leave.

Feel free to share a comment of appreciation on our Twitter or Facebook page and use **#tdad**.

Cash in on Your Commute!

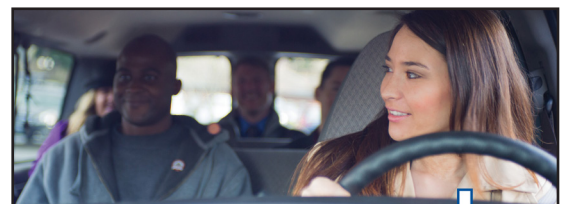
Are you or someone you know interested in trying a different way to commute? Try vanpooling for a week - free!

Even better, if you decide to join an **existing** vanpool we'll send you a \$50 gift card. If you start a **new** vanpool group you'll receive a \$100 gift card **or** your first month free. Need help finding others with similar commutes? We can help!

When you vanpool, you not only save money, you'll have time to work, stay connected, play games, or even take a nap - the possibilities are endless!

Already vanpooling or it's not for you? No problem! Refer a new vanpooler and earn a \$25 gift card for each new rider you recruit. As an added bonus all recruiters and new riders get entered for a chance to win \$500 cash.

To qualify, you must start or end your commute in Thurston County and travel at least 10 miles each way. For more information on vanpooling or **Cash in on Your Commute** promotion, contact Vanpool Services at vans@intercitytransit.com or 360.786.8800.



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NOUN

1. an arrangement whereby commuters travel together in a van.

Dash Around Downtown Olympia - FREE!



Dash, the FREE downtown Olympia shuttle, gets you everywhere you want to go along Capitol Way between the Farmers Market and the Capitol Campus. Just park at one of the lots along the route, then hop on and off the Dash shuttle at any of the many stops - it's convenient and easy! (See map below.)

Dash operates weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., every 12-15 minutes, depending on time of year. The free shuttle also operates Saturdays (April - early September) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., every 10 minutes.

Dash Updates

- **Dash Daily Parking at Farmers Market Ends March 31**

Dash daily parking at the Olympia Farmers Market lot continues through **March 31**, thanks to the Market District Association and the Port of Olympia. You can park for just \$1.50 per hour. Dash riders can use all other public parking lots year-round.

- **Dash Saturday Service Resumes April 2**

Saturday Dash service resumes **April 2**. Saturday service operates **every 10 minutes** from **9 a.m. to 5 p.m.** through Saturday, September 3, 2016. Note: Dash does not serve the east Capitol Campus on Saturdays.

See information in Dash brochure, our Transit Guide, or online.

Dine. Shop. Work. Play . . . along Capitol Way!

Need Work-Related Transportation? Our Village Vans Program Can Help!

Our Village Vans program provides **FREE**, temporary work-related transportation for low-income job seekers in Olympia, Lacey, and Tumwater. We can transport you to and from your workplace, job search, interviews, day care, medical or dental appointments, and other sites. To qualify for the program, you must have received state or federal assistance within the last three years.

To schedule a ride, call **360.705.5840** Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. You can also leave a message and we will return your call the following business day to confirm your ride.



Dash serves downtown Olympia from the Farmers Market to the Capitol Campus and everywhere in between!



Coming Soon . . .



Bicycle Commuter Contest

2016: Registration for the 29th annual event begins April 1 and the contest begins May 1.

Visit or like our Facebook page at [facebook.com/BicycleCommuterContest](https://www.facebook.com/BicycleCommuterContest) for contest and event information. Watch for more details in the April Rider News.