

# RIDER NEWS

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# Apply Now to Serve on the Community Advisory Committee



### TO HELP SHAPE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN OUR COMMUNITY?

The Intercity Transit Authority (ITA) is seeking civically-minded individuals who represent our diverse community to serve as volunteer advisors. There are several open positions on the Community Advisory Committee (CAC), including one youth position. All positions serve three-year terms with the exception of the youth position which serves a one-year term. Individual service users, businesses, nonprofit groups, students, and other community members are welcome to apply. As part of our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, we are specifically seeking representation from:

- · Active duty military and veterans.
- BIPOC.
- People living with a disability.
- · Fixed income families.
- LGBTQ+ community.
- · Seniors.
- · Youth.

Intercity Transit provides transportation services for communities in Thurston County, including Fixed Route Bus Service, Dial-a-Lift, Vanpool Commuter Services, Youth Bicycle Education, and more. As a member of the CAC, you'll join the 20-person advisory group to provide input on local transportation issues, advocate for transportation choices, and help shape local policy for public transportation.

Members of the committee represent a cross-section of the community and must live, work or attend school within Thurston County to apply.

The committee meets the third Monday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Meetings are hybrid with both inperson and virtual attendance options. To apply for the CAC, please visit <a href="intercitytransit.com/agency/community-advisory-committee">intercitytransit.com/agency/community-advisory-committee</a> or call 360-357-1532. Completed applications are due by Friday, Oct. 6, 2023 and can be mailed to CAC Recruitment, Attn: Amanda Collins, P.O. Box 659, Olympia, WA 98507, dropped off at Customer Service located in the Olympia Transit Center, 205 Franklin St. NE, or emailed to acollins@intercitytransit.com.

For more information about the CAC please visit intercitytransit.com/agency/community-advisory-committee or contact Amanda Collins at acollins@intercitytransit.com or 360-357-1532.

# Intercity Transit Authority Updates their Bylaws

At the Intercity Transit Authority (ITA) meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 16, the ITA voted to amend their bylaws to replace all language that refers to the ITA Citizen Representative positions to be updated to ITA Community Representatives. This amendment is consistent with Intercity Transit's Community Advisory Committee that changed its name in 2017.

Intercity Transit is governed by the ITA. The ITA is a nine-member Board of Directors and consists of five elected officials who represent the Thurston County Board of Commissioners and the Cities of Lacey, Tumwater, Olympia, and Yelm. Three members are community representatives appointed by the Board, and one member is a labor representative.

Visit <u>facebook.com/IntercityTransit/videos</u> to watch the Aug. 16 Intercity Transit Authority meeting and learn more about this change.

### Intercity Transit Receives Grand Champion Award at the Washington State Roadeo



You're in good hands when you ride Intercity Transit because we have some of the state's best bus drivers and mechanics working with us! Our exceptional operators and maintenance mechanics recently participated

in the Washington State Transit Association's State Roadeo in Vancouver, WA.

The State Roadeo is an annual competition of driving skills and maintenance disciplines in which transit agencies from across the state compete. We're proud to announce that their hard work paid off and we placed in the top three in all categories, winning the prestigious 2023 grand champion award for the 7<sup>th</sup> year in a row!

Competition results are as follows:

- 1st Place Maintenance Competition: Coach Technicians, Bryce Reinhardt, Jonathon Reynolds and Sean Malay
- 1st Place 35-foot Coach Competition: Coach Operator, David Randall
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place 40-foot Coach Competition: Coach Operator, Rob Wood
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Body On Chassis: Dial-A-Lift Operator, Dan Savage

We're proud to have these extremely talented individuals on our team and look forward to supporting them as they progress to the International Bus Roadeo competition next spring.

## Walk N Roll's Learn-to-Ride Classes



Intercity Transit's
Walk N Roll program
is partnering
with the City of
Tumwater's Parks
and Recreation
program to offer
Learn-to-Ride classes
in September.

#### **Class Details**

### Adult and Teen First Bike Ride (ages 13 and older):

In this class, you will learn the basics of balancing, pedaling and turning a bicycle. This class is for first time riders or riders who have taken a long break from riding a bike. Bikes and helmets will be provided.

• When: Saturday, Sept. 9

• Time: 2:30 to 4 p.m.

 Where: Tumwater Historical Park, 802 Deschutes Way SW in Tumwater

#### Kids Learn to Ride a Bike (ages 3 to 12):

In this class, kids will learn the basics of balancing, pedaling and turning a bicycle. **Bikes and helmets will be provided at classes.** 

• When: Monday, Sept. 2 OR Saturday, Sept. 30

• Time: 2:30 to 4 p.m.

 Where: Tumwater Historical Park, 802 Deschutes Way SW in Tumwater

Registration is required. To register, visit <a href="mailto:ci.tumwater.wa.us/parks">ci.tumwater.wa.us/parks</a> or call 360-754-4160.

#### Ride the Bus to Falls Fest



Celebrate the transition to fall and soak in the beautiful fall colors at Falls Fest in Brewery Park at Tumwater Falls on Saturday, Sept. 30 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

This event celebrates Tumwater Falls as a sacred and historically-significant place while honoring arts, heritage and the environment within our community.

Parking at the event is limited. Avoid the parking hassle and ride the bus or choose an active mode of transportation to get there! Intercity Transit provides service near Brewery Park and you'll be steps away from the fun. Plan your trip to the event using our online Trip Planner, intercitytransit.com/plan-your-trip/trip-planner, or get assistance planning your trip by calling Intercity Transit's Customer Service at 360-786-1881. They're available to assist you from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., daily.

For more information about Falls Fest, visit ci.tumwater.wa.us/departments/parks-recreation-department. We hope to see you there!

Intercity Transit ensures no person is excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of its services on the basis of race, color, or national origin consistent with requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Federal Transit Administration guidance in Circular 4702.1B.