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# **RIDER NEWS**

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#### Public Comment Invited on the Draft 2019-2024 Transit Development Plan

The Transit Development Plan (TDP) describes 2018 operational highlights and outlines how we anticipate using our financial resources over the next six years. You're invited to comment on the annual update of the TDP at a public hearing on Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2019, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at our administrative office located at 526 Pattison Street SE in Olympia.

If you need special accommodations to participate in the hearing, call us at 360-705-5860 three days prior to the meeting. Please consider riding bus Routes 62A, 62B or 66, as they serve stops nearby.

The draft TDP is available for review at:

- intercitytransit.com.
- Customer Service at the Olympia Transit Center.
- Intercity Transit's administrative office located at 526 Pattison St. SE.
- Timberland Regional Libraries in Olympia, Lacey, Tumwater, and Yelm.

You can also request a copy from Customer Service by emailing <u>customerservice@intercitytransit.com</u> or calling 360-786-1881.

If you cannot attend the public hearing, you can provide comment by:

- Mail: P.O. Box 659, Olympia, WA 98507
- Email: tellus@intercitytransit.com
- Phone: 360-705-5852

All comments must be received by 4 p.m. on August 7, 2019 to be considered.

#### Intercity Transit Provides Sunday-Level Service on Labor Day



We will operate Sunday schedules on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 2. Customer Service at the Olympia Transit Center will be open from 9

a.m. to 7 p.m. Our administrative office will be closed in observance of the holiday.

## New Hours at Administrative Office

Starting Thursday, Aug. 1 Intercity Transit's administrative office, located at 526 Pattison St. SE in Olympia, will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on weekdays.

This change does not impact Customer Service hours at the Olympia Transit Center or other Intercity Transit programs or services.

#### Nightline Late-Night Weekend Service Resumes in September



Nightline, the weekend late-night service between downtown Olympia and The Evergreen State College (Evergreen) campus,

resumes on Friday, Sept. 27. This service operates Friday and Saturday nights until 3:18 a.m.

Nightline service is provided under a contract with Evergreen to support student access between downtown Olympia and the college during the regular school year. Nightline service is open to the public. Regular fares apply. For more information call Evergreen's Commute Trip Reduction coordinator at 360-867-6131 or visit <u>evergreen.edu/commute/</u> <u>bus</u>.

#### Saturday Dash Service Ends Saturday, Aug. 31



Saturday, Aug. 31 is the last Saturday the Dash operates this year. Saturday service will resume in April 2020.

#### Village Vans – We Drive Employment



Intercity Transit's Village Vans program is looking for volunteers to drive individuals seeking employment

in Olympia, Lacey and Tumwater. Village Vans is a FREE professional training program designed to help increase your chances of getting hired and building a career.

Village Vans recruits volunteer drivers to transport job seekers to various employment-related activities in the community. As a volunteer, you will gain marketable skills for employment and have access to computers. This includes an Intercity Transit email address.

Many Village Van drivers have found employment while in our job-skills program.

The program helps you build a career by providing opportunities such as:

- Learning new skills and valuable work experience.
- Increasing your professional connections.

- Receiving assistance writing your cover letter, resume, mock interviews, and job coaching.
- Computer access and email.
- Working one-on-one with Village Vans Staff.
- Eligibility to apply for Intercity Transit job opportunities.
- Gaining confidence in a supportive work environment.
- Job shadowing at Intercity Transit.

The non-paid drivers must meet driving record standards and pass a Washington State background check. For more information on becoming a volunteer driver, contact Zach Heinemeyer at 360-705-5831 or <u>villagevansscheduling@</u> <u>intercitytransit.com</u>.

#### **Employment-Related Transportation**



Village Vans also provides FREE, temporary workrelated transportation for low-income job seekers in Olympia, Lacey and Tumwater. We can take you to and from your workplace, job search, interviews, day care, medical 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. to 3 p.m.

### **Rider Reminder**

When you're waiting for the bus, make sure to stay a safe distance away from the curb as the bus approaches. We want to keep you safe and make sure the bus can pull up to the stop.

As the bus is approaching:

- Do not sit on the curb.
- Do not stand too close to the curb.

We appreciate your help!

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.

For questions, or to file a complaint, contact Intercity Transit Customer Service at 360-786-1881 or by email to TitleIV@intercitytransit.com.