

RIDER NEWS

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Bus Service to Increase March 19, 2023



Our upcoming service change adds bus service to several routes as we continue our journey back to pre-pandemic service levels. Beginning Sunday, March 19, more service will be added to Routes 64 and 68 along with more evening trips on several routes. Once effective, these changes increase service to approximately 78 percent of our pre-pandemic service levels.

Service Details:

- **Route 12:** Three later trips leaving the Olympia Transit Center (OTC) at 7:30 p.m., 8 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.
- **Route 41:** One more evening trip leaving OTC at 9 p.m.
- **Route 64:** Increased frequency from 60- to 30-minutes.
- **Route 65:** One more evening trip leaving the Lacey Transit Center (LTC) at 8:28 p.m.
- **Route 68:** Earlier weekday service beginning at 5:31 a.m. from LTC.

We continue to work toward providing more bus service as we're able to. Adding service requires having enough bus drivers available to drive.

If you or anyone you know is interested in driving with us, please visit intercitytransit.com/employment.

Martin Way Park and Ride Improvements

Intercity Transit's contractor will begin work to improve safety and speed up service at the Martin Way Park and Ride later this month. Improvements will include a "bus only" direct access from the northbound I-5 on-ramp into the park and ride, a new bus stop adjacent to the on-ramp, and related facility updates. You'll see construction activity at the park and ride through the fall of 2023.

Construction is anticipated to temporarily impact some parking areas and will require temporary relocation of the bus loading area. When finished, the project will reduce the schedule times and improve bus access and passenger loading areas for riders who use Olympia Express service connecting Olympia/Lacey to regional bus and commuter rail services in Lakewood/Pierce County.

Watch for changes posted at the park and ride and subscribe to updates to stay informed on when and how the changes may impact parking and boarding locations until the project is complete. More information about the improvements will be posted on our website, intercitytransit.com, soon.

Regular Service on Presidents Day



Local and Express bus service, Dial-A-Lift and Village Vans will operate on regular schedules on Presidents Day, Monday, Feb. 20.

Visit intercitytransit.com or contact Customer Service at 360-786-1881 for service information.

Join Intercity Transit's Winter Bicycle Challenge



The Winter Bicycle Challenge encourages all Thurston County residents to bike for any reason in any season. Bicycling outdoors is a

great way to enjoy the benefits of fresh air, sunlight, and activity!

To participate, create an account at bcc.intercitytransit.com and enter the miles you ride each day Feb. 1-28. Check your spam filter for the confirmation email, and if you have any difficulty registering, contact dgreen@intercitytransit.com.

There will be prize drawings each week, plus a bonus drawing at the end of the month for everyone who logs rides on 10 or more days. Tag your biking photos using @BicycleCommuterChallenge on Instagram to join our cycling photo challenge.

Winter poses more challenges and risks for biking than other seasons. We don't recommend biking when there is snow or ice on our roads. That is a great time to ride the bus!

Visit bcc.intercitytransit.com/news/winter-bike-commuting-tips for tips on biking in winter.

Walk N Roll Bike Shop has Moved



With help from volunteers, staff, and the community, the Walk N Roll bike shop moved from its downtown location to a new space in the Intercity Transit Administrative and

Operations building at 2599 Martin Way, Suite 101.

The new bike shop will continue to host volunteers who learn bike mechanics while refurbishing donated bikes used in Earn-A-Bike classes. The shop features work benches perfectly sized for the space built by our AmeriCorps volunteer, Sam. Our previous work benches were donated to Avanti High School where bike mechanic education will be added to their existing bike program. We look forward to welcoming you into our new space soon!

Drive Your Career Forward as a Coach Operator



Intercity Transit is looking for candidates with strong customer service skills and a passion for serving our community to become bus drivers. We provide all necessary training, including Commercial Driver License (CDL) training and testing.

Intercity Transit offers:

- Competitive wages between \$23.43 to \$33.20 an hour.
- Opportunity for internal internships and career advancement after successful completion of probationary period.
- Full-time positions, 40-hours per week with opportunity for overtime, as well as paid sick and vacation leave.
- Comprehensive medical, dental, and vision coverage for employees and eligible dependents.
- PERS Retirement Plans (through Washington State Public Employee's Retirement System) along with voluntary deferred compensation plans (401k and 457) with employer match up to 6.2%.
- 12 to 25 vacation days per year depending upon date of eligibility and length of service.
- 12 days of sick leave per year depending upon date of eligibility.
- Up to 54 hours of floating holiday time.
- \$200 incentive for each COVID-19 booster vaccination dose.
- A complete set of uniforms.

Are you ready to jump onboard and be a part of a great organization that serves our community? Come join our team! Visit intercitytransit.com/employment for current job openings.

Please note this recruitment has an anticipated start date in early April 2023.

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.

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