

RIDER NEWS

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Olympia Transit Center Expansion Opening March 30, 2020



Intercity Transit is excited to announce the opening of your newly expanded transit facility. You're invited to join us for a celebration on Thursday, March 19, 2020 from 11:30

a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with a program at 12 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. The building will be open for service on Monday, March 30, 2020.

Located at 205 Franklin St. NE, the new building is located on the southeast corner of the existing downtown property. The new building and bus terminal is approximately 11,000 square feet and adds five additional bus bays to the downtown transit center.

The new terminal will provide riders with more customer amenities including an information counter, public restrooms and an indoor waiting area. It will also accommodate Greyhound's regional bus service, giving passengers more convenient access between regional and local transportation.

The existing building was built in 1994 with 10 bus bays. In 2010, the OTC handled 4,300 passenger boardings daily compared to over 5,000 boardings today. This expansion helps to meet current capacity demands at the Transit Center.

For more information about the OTC expansion project visit intercitytransit.com/construction/otc-expansion.

March 2020

New Service in Northeast Lacey Effective March 22, 2020



Effective Sunday, March 22, 2020, a new bus route will serve northeast Lacey.

Route 65: Hawks Prairie, will operate seven days a week and deliver service from the Lacey Transit Center to neighborhoods and employment centers along Britton Parkway, Willamette Dr., 41st Ave., and Hogum Bay Rd.

Route 65 is one of several improvements being made this spring—additional changes taking effect on March 22, 2020 include updated schedules on Routes 48, 62A, 62B, 66, 68, and 612.

For more information about Route 65 and other upcoming adjustments to service, visit intercitytransit.com/servicechanges or call Customer Service at 360-786-1881.

Celebrate National Transit Driver Appreciation Day

Help us celebrate Intercity Transit's hard-working drivers on Wednesday, March 18, 2020 during National Transit Driver Appreciation Day.

Showing your appreciation for your driver can be as simple as a smile when you board the bus and a "thank you" when you leave.

You can also share your appreciation on Facebook, facebook.com/IntercityTransit or Twitter, twitter.com/IntercityTransit, using #tdad.

For more information about National Transit Driver Appreciation Day visit intercitytransit.com.

Intercity Transit's Bicycle Commuting Basics Classes



Do you want to start riding your bike to work or other destinations, but need help or a refresher to get started? Intercity Transit's hands-on classes will prepare you to ride your bike for transportation.

The classes are great for new and current bicycle commuters who want to learn more. The classes will cover:

Commuting Basics:

- Selecting gear for safety and comfort.
- Planning your route.
- Following rules of the road.
- Taking the bus with your bike.

Dates: Tuesday, March 3 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 7 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Basic Bike Care:

- Fixing a flat.
- Maintaining your chain.
- Buying the right tools.
- Doing a bike safety check.

Dates: Tuesday, March 17 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 21 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Cost: \$5 per person

Location: Intercity Transit Walk N Roll Youth Education Center, 215 N. Washington St. (across from the Olympia Transit Center)

For more information about classes and to register, visit bcc.intercitytransit.com/events.

Health Tips: Cold and Flu Season

Here are a few steps you can take to reduce your risk of getting and spreading a viral infection according to the Washington State Department of Health:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains at least 60 percent alcohol if soap and water are not available.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze, then throw the tissue in the trash and wash your hands.
- Clean and disinfect objects and surfaces.
- Stay at home and away from others if you're feeling ill.

For more information, please visit doh.wa.gov/youandyourfamily/illnessanddisease/flu.

Your Response Matters: Take the 2020 Census

In mid-March, people across the country will be asked to complete the 2020 Census. Once your invitation arrives, you can respond online, by phone or by mail. The online and phone census forms are available in English and 12 other languages.

Having accurate count ensures we receive our fair share of federal dollars. Your census responses are confidential, secure and protected by law.

Local Timberland Regional Library branches will have computers available for online submissions. Intercity Transit serves the Lacey library on Routes 64 and 66, the Olympia library on Routes 60 and 64 and the Tumwater library on Routes 12 and 13. If you need help planning your trip to these locations, contact Customer Service at 360-786-1881.

For more information about the 2020 Census, visit 2020census.gov.

Take a Trip with Bus Buddies



Join Intercity Transit's Bus Buddies on Wednesday, March 25 for a trip to the Tacoma Art Museum. The trip will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. You'll need to pay for out-of-county bus fare and the \$15 entrance fee for the museum.

Space is limited. Reserve your spot today by calling 360-688-8832.

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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