

IMPORTANT

NEWS

February 2011

Presidents Day Service

On Presidents Day, Monday, Feb. 21, Community Transit will operate regular local and University District service.

Seattle service is reduced: Select **Route 401, 402, 413, 415 and 421** trips marked with an “H” in Bus Plus and online schedules will not operate.

Tulalip Transit

The Tulalip Tribes have begun operating a new bus route at Tulalip Bay that makes connections with Community Transit Route 222 at Silver Village. The Tulalip Transit route will serve five other Community Transit stops at Tulalip Bay, as well as tribal bus stops. All are marked.

Tulalip Transit provides free transportation to all members of the public. Tulalip Transit operations are Monday–Friday from 6 a.m.–7 p.m. For schedule information please call (360) 716-4206.

The Tulalip Tribes received a Federal Transit Administration grant to fund this program.

Service Changes March 20

Community Transit’s next service change has been delayed until March 20. The current Bus Plus books and schedules remain in effect.

Many of Community Transit’s next service changes are dependent on completion of the Mountlake Terrace Freeway Station, now under construction by Sound Transit. Sound Transit service changes on Routes 510, 511, 513, 532 and 535 are delayed until March 20 as well. King County Metro service changes and Sound Transit changes in King County will take effect Feb. 5.

Additional information about Community Transit changes will be available online and on-board buses starting March 1.

Transit-Related Legislation

Transportation funding is on the minds of both federal and state legislators this year.

At the state level, Rep. Marko Liias and other Snohomish County legislators are sponsoring House Bill 1536:

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Providing a congestion reduction charge to fund the operational and capital needs of transit agencies. To track the status of this and other bills related to transportation, go to the Legislature's home page at www.leg.wa.gov or to the Transportation Choices Coalition website at www.transportationchoices.org.

The majority of Community Transit's funding comes from a voter-approved nine-tenths of 1 percent sales tax, the maximum allowed by state law. Due to the recession, sales tax revenues have dropped to 2005 levels. Help Community Transit by shopping local. Visit www.communitytransit.org/BuyLocal for information.

Parking Policies

Many park & rides in Snohomish County are filled to capacity. The lots are intended for commuter use only, though overnight parking is permitted.

Parking outside designated spaces poses a risk to pedestrians and other vehicles. You may receive a ticket for parking:

- In emergency lanes, "no parking" and loading zones
- In ADA-designated spaces, if a vehicle is not marked by a state-issued permit
- In a manner blocking other vehicles and/or pedestrian pathways
- Beyond the posted maximum parking period.

Rather than parking at a crowded lot, consider using an alternate park & ride nearby, taking a local bus to the park & ride or carpooling to the lot. See our website for options.

Sit Down for Safety

Mile-for-mile, public transportation is one of the safest ways to travel. But one of the common sources of minor injury is people walking down the aisle while the bus is in motion.

When you board the bus, please take a seat immediately or steady yourself by holding on to a grab bar or strap. Coach operators need to get the bus underway safely.



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