

PRESS RELEASE

Public Meetings on Proposed Changes to Fare Policy

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BREMERTON, Wash. – The Kitsap Transit Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing on July 5, 2022, and vote on proposed changes effective September 1 to the agency's fare policy.

The first change would allow anyone under age 19 to ride free of charge on all Kitsap Transit services. By doing so, Kitsap Transit would be able to receive formula and grant funds from Move Ahead Washington, the state transportation funding package that allocates \$3 billion to public transportation over the next 16 years.

The second proposed fare policy change is to Kitsap Transit's vanpool program. The current structure has hundreds of fares that vary by vehicle capacity, number of passengers and distance traveled. The proposed structure would simplify fares into four tiered bands, with a fixed monthly rate per rider based on daily round-trip miles. Kitsap Transit is asking for public comment on three different options for the tiered bands and plans to recommend one of them to its Board.

To learn more, visit kitsaptransit.com/fares.

Public comments on the proposal can be submitted through Monday, July 4, as well as at the public hearing itself. To submit a public comment, click the link to the form on our Fares webpage.

Kitsap Transit will discuss the proposal at two public meetings at 1:00 PM and 6:00 PM on Wednesday, June 15, via Zoom. For meeting information, visit <u>kitsaptransit.com/meetings</u>.

About Kitsap Transit

Kitsap Transit has been operating friendly, convenient public transit since 1983. The transit agency for Kitsap County carried more than 3.84 million riders in 2019 across a multi-modal system of routed buses, passenger ferries, paratransit shuttles, vanpools, and worker/driver buses for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard.

Hablar español?

Por favor llame al 1-800-501-7433 durante las horas normales de oficina. El personal de servicios al cliente se conectará con un intérprete para ayudarle a responder sus preguntas.

Nagsasalita ka ba ng Tagalog?

Paki-tawagan ang numero 1-800-501-7433 normal na oras ng trabaho. Customer Service kawani ay kumonekta sa isang taga interpretor upang tulungan sagutin ang iyong katanungan.