



**RIPTA LAUNCHES NEW
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY VIDEO
FEATURING RI RECORDING
ARTIST JON HOPE**



Are you a smart pedestrian when using public transit – particularly in busy urban areas? RIPTA wants you to be safe, so we’ve created a new pedestrian safety video that’s fun to watch and has a great new soundtrack by Rhode Island recording artist Jon Hope!!! Also, the “cityscape” of Providence provides a great backdrop.

Check it out on our YouTube channel by [clicking here!](#)

RIPTA recently presented this safety video at Central High School, Providence Career & Technical Academy (PCTA) and Classical High School where it was a huge success. Would you like our team to debut this safety video at your school or for your community group? Email marketing@RIPTA.com for details.

And if you like the video, don’t forget to give us thumbs up on YouTube!

FARE INCREASE EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2016

Fare increases and product changes will go into effect on March 1, 2016. The base cash fare of \$2.00 per trip will remain the same. Transfers will increase from .50¢ to \$1.00. The price of Monthly Passes and 7-Day Passes will increase to \$70 and \$27, respectively. In addition, RIPTIKs and 15-Ride Passes will be discontinued and will be replaced by a new 10-Ride Pass which will cost \$20. RIPTA will continue to accept RIPTIKs and 15-Ride Passes for the foreseeable future.



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[Click here](#) for an easy to read fare increase chart.

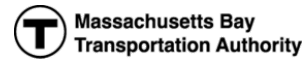
CALLING ALL ARTISTS FOR RIPTA'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY DESIGN CONTEST

Show us how creative you are, and send us your design for a bus pass that illustrates 50 years of public transportation in Rhode Island. We'll select a winning image to be featured on our bus passes! The winner will receive a gift cards to [Revolution American Bistro](#), [Thirsty Beaver](#), [Lang's Bowlarama](#) and a [Providence Bruins](#) prize pack!



[Click here](#) for details.

Stay Informed – MBTA Changes Proposed



We know that many of our passengers use public transportation in Massachusetts as well as the MBTA commuter rail that extends into Rhode Island. We want our riders to know that the MBTA is considering some overall fare changes as well as some schedule changes for the commuter rail. Please make sure you stay informed and check the MBTA website where a lot of useful information is posted and updated! We're attaching a couple of links to get you started.

http://www.mbta.com/about_the_mbta/MBTABackOnTrack/?id=6442455610

http://www.mbta.com/uploadedfiles/About_the_T/Board_Meetings/FY2017ProposedFareChanges010416.pdf



Nothing Like That New Car Smell

What’s blue and white weighs about 14 tons and traveled more than 3,000 to get to Rhode Island?

If you guessed the new 2016 Gillig buses that are helping to refresh our fleet, you are correct. Eighteen of the buses – which were driven here from Gillig Corp.’s headquarters in Hayward, California – have already arrived and another fourteen are expected over the next several months.

RIPTA is extremely grateful for grants from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and funding from the state fleet funds which make these vehicle purchases possible. The 2016 buses will enable RIPTA to retire older models that are past their useful mechanical lives.

RIPTA last got some new buses in 2013, and very little has changed in the styling or the mechanics of the sleek 40-foot Gilligs. One safety improvement is the fact that the 2016 models have a one-piece windshield with no vertical stanchion dividing it down the middle. This means one less blind spot for drivers to contend with.

All the new buses have stainless steel bike racks, wheelchair ramps and “clean diesel” engines with particulate filters that help meet air quality requirements by removing matter (soot) from diesel engine exhaust. And yes, they do have that “new car” smell.



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