



SUMMER SERVICE CHANGES – EXPRESS BEACH BUS IS BACK!



RIPTA will implement summer service changes effective Saturday, June 22, 2013. RIPTA makes regular service adjustments three times a year in response to seasonal changes and/or passenger use. These annual changes are minor and include the start of selected summer services and trip time changes. Express beach bus service to South County Beaches runs June 22 - August 12.

[Click here for details.](#)



RIPTA ACCOMMODATES 2ND ANNUAL SUMMER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION

RIPTA will relocate the Route 6 (Prairie/R.W. Zoo) and Route 92 (Green Line) Trolley stop in Kennedy Plaza beginning with the first trip of the day on Saturday, June 22, 2013 until the last trip of the day to accommodate the 2nd Annual Summer Solstice Celebration. RIPTA trolleys will not serve the East Approach Trolley Pavilion on Saturday, June 22. Passengers will be picked up and dropped off at Bus Stop M in Kennedy Plaza. For detour information, [click here](#).

RIPTA ROUTE 6 SERVICE MODIFIED FOR ZOOBILEE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 29

Zoobilee: Feast with the Beasts, the Roger Williams Zoo's largest annual fundraiser, will be held on Saturday, June 29, 2013. All proceeds from the event and the auction help to support the Zoo's environmental education and wildlife conservation programs! [Click here for event details](#).



PLEASE NOTE: The Zoo will close early in preparation for Zoobilee: Feast with the Beasts! on June 29, at 2pm. The last admission will be at 12pm (noon). RIPTA Route 6 (Prairie/R.W. Zoo) will not travel to the Zoo entrance after 2PM. Thank you for understanding.



RIPTA OBSERVES FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY

RIPTA will run a Sunday/Holiday service schedule on Thursday, July 4, 2013, in observance of the Fourth of July. The Sunday/Holiday schedule will apply to all regular fixed-route buses and trolleys.

RIPTA Offices in Kennedy Plaza, Ride Reservation Office, and Flex Reservation Office will be closed on Thursday, July 4, 2013 in celebration of the holiday.

In addition, RIPTA will detour Route 60 (Providence/Newport) on Thursday, July 4, 2013 to accommodate the Bristol Fourth of July Parade. The detour will be in effect from 7:00am to 3:00pm on Thursday, July 4, 2013. [Click here for details.](#)

TRY TRANSIT, BEAT TRAFFIC!

This program is a collaborative effort of the RI Department of Transportation (RIDOT) and the RI Public Transit Authority (RIPTA) to offer reduced rates on two transit options for you to consider when commuting to work or school. Starts July 1, 2013. [Click here for details.](#)



CALL FOR ART

You don't have to be Picasso for this! Submit your qualifications and concepts for art panels and seating to be included in bus shelters along our city's Broad and North Main Street transit corridors. This is a first of its kind project for the City of Providence and they enthusiastically await artist response.

[Click here for details.](#)

NOW HIRING!

RIPTA is seeking excellent drivers for our Ride van service. Click [here](#) to learn more about The Ride Program and to fill out an [application](#).



BUS ADVENTURES OF A HAPPY GIRL

Awesome blog! Bridget Bourne, a native Rhode Islander, has recently started a blog about her joy trips to various places on RIPTA. Bridget does not drive at all due to Tourette's Syndrome. Read her [blog here](#):

RIPTA WANTS TO TAKE YOU OUT TO THE BALL GAME!

RIPTA is offering you an express bus ride to Pawtucket Red Sox (PawSox) baseball games every Sunday for the remainder of the season.

The next "PawSox Game Bus" leaves from Bus Stop P in Kennedy Plaza on Sunday, June 30, 2013 at 12:30pm. [Click here more for details.](#)



WIN YOUR WAY IN!

Don't like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter yet? Here's your chance! Like us on Facebook or follow us on Twitter and you'll be automatically entered to win a pair of tickets to the Sunday, June 30 PawSox game! Post on our page or Tweet #PawSoxGameBus for an extra chance to win!



AIR QUALITY ALERT SEASON IS HERE

With the onset of the warmer weather, we urge Rhode Islanders to be aware of the increased risk of ground-level ozone and fine particle pollution, and take precautions when smog levels are high. Air Quality forecasts are issued daily by

RIDEM-Air Resources and can be found at

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/benviron/air/pm.htm> or at

<http://www.epa.gov/region1/airquality/aqi-ri.html>. Regional information can be found at http://airnow.gov/index.cfm?action=airnow.local_state&stateid=41&tab=0.

Poor air quality affects everyone, but some people are particularly sensitive to air pollutants, including children and adults. When Air Quality is predicted to be unhealthy, RIDEM and EPA will announce an air quality alerts.

On Air Quality Alert Days, FlexService and all fixed-route RIPTA buses and trolleys are FREE!

To protect your health, improve air quality and save money, leave your car at home and take the bus on Air Quality Alert Days. The ride's on us!

[Click here](#) for more information on RIPTA's Air Quality Alert Program.

RIPTA IN THE COMMUNITY

6th Annual Great Outdoors Pursuit

Join RIPTA and the Departments of Environmental Management and Health for the 2013 Great Outdoors

Pursuit, a summer-long program and game designed to help children, families and individuals enjoy the recreational resources Rhode Island state parks have to offer to encourage more physical activity by trying new outdoor activities. The event will run from 11AM – 3PM on Sunday, June 23, 2013 at Fort Adams State Park. Stop by the RIPTA Booth and say hello! For more information on this summer-long event series, visit

<http://www.riparks.com/RIOutdoorsPursuit/index.html>





RIPTA receives national attention!

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