



## **RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

### **Bike to Work Week a Success**

Thank you for all the miles and smiles from the bicycle commuters we met recently during our Bike to Work Week activities. Our Commuter Resource team was up bright and early to greet commuters who use pedal power to get work. Like most transit authorities across the country, RIPTA works to promote alternate modes of commuting that reduce reliance on singleoccupancy vehicles.



Thanks to our sponsors, we were able to offer snacks,

prizes and information to two-wheeled commuters who are getting healthy and helping the environment!

## **DREAM BIG**

Pursue your dreams and we'll try to help get you there! Last week we took part in the two-day Dare to Dream Youth Leadership Conference held at the University of Rhode Island's Kingston campus. We were there to introduce young riders to public transit and RIPTA services.



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The conference was attended by more than 1,200 youths with diverse learning and healthcare challenges.

We look forward to seeing them on our buses as they move on to high school, college and careers.

### **RIPTA IN THE COMMUNITY**

#### STATEWIDE CAMPUS INVASION

RIPTA's Commuter Resource RI team will be attending Providence College, URI, and Salve Regina University student orientations throughout the month of June. Our staff will be promoting and orientating the parents and students on how to use RIPTA and connect to rail and more! Stop by the RIPTA booth to learn about your green travel options and pick up some cool RIPTA swag.

#### **RIPTA THROWS IN THE TOWEL**

Each year, Amos House provides recovery based transitional shelter housing to hundreds of men and women. That means we go through a LOT of towels! One of our employees learned about their need and asked RIPTA employees to throw in the towel – so we did! During the month of April, RIPTA employees collected over 4 boxes of new towels for Amos House guests. Want to donate new towels?



Call at Amos House at 401-831-9866 for details.

## SERVICE ALERTS

HOPE STREET SPRING BLOCK PARTY – SATURDAY, JUNE 2 RIPTA will detour Route 1 beginning at 9am until 7:30pm.



#### Details here.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND HEART WALK - SUNDAY, JUNE 3 RIPTA will detour Routes 1, 3, 17, 19, 21, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 50, 51, 54, 55, 56,

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57 60, 66, 72, 78, 92 and the R-Line. Francis Street will be closed during this time.

Click here for details.

#### **GASPEE DAYS PARADE – SATURDAY, JUNE 9**

RIPTA will detour Route 3 (Warwick Ave.) from the first trip of the day until 2:00pm.

Click here for details.

#### PVD FEST - SATURDAY, JUNE 9 & SUNDAY, JUNE 10

RIPTA will detour Routes 1, 3, 6, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 50, 51, 54, 55, 56, 57, 60, 66, 72, 78, 92 and the R-Line. Kennedy Plaza will be closed all day and night for the event. All bus stops in Kennedy Plaza will be temporarily relocated to Empire Street during this time.

#### Details here.

## PRIDE PARADE & CELEBRATIONS – FRIDAY, JUNE 15 & SATURDAY, JUNE 16

RIPTA will detour Routes 1, 3, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 30, 31, 33, 34, 58, 66, 92 and the R-Line on Saturday, June 16 in order to accommodate the RI Pride Parade. In addition, Routes 35, 60 and 78 will be detoured all day and night on Friday, June 15 and Saturday, June 16.

Click here for details.

#### **DUMP THE PUMP ON THURSDAY, JUNE 21**

RIPTA will join with other public transportation systems nationwide to participate in the tenth annual National Dump the Pump Day on Thursday, June 21, 2018.

Click here for details on this nationwide event.

## FEDERAL HILL SUMMER FESTIVAL - FRIDAY, JUNE 22 – SUNDAY, JUNE 24

RIPTA will detour Route 92 from 5pm on Friday, June 22 through 11pm on Sunday, June 24.

Click here for details.

#### KIDS FUN CELEBRATION – SATURDAY, JUNE 23

RIPTA will detour Route 19 from 9:45am until 3:15pm that day. Plainfield Street will be closed between Laurel Hill Avenue and Merino Street during that time.

Click here for details.

# SUMMER SERVICE CHANGES – WEEKEND EXPRESS BEACH BUS IS BACK!

RIPTA will implement summer service changes effective Saturday, June 23, 2018.

RIPTA makes regular service adjustments three times a year in response to seasonal changes and/or passenger use. These annual changes are minor include the start of selected summer services and trip time changes.

### WEEKEND AND HOLIDAY ONLY Express beach bus service to South County Beaches runs June 23 - August 26.

Click here for details.

#### **GREAT CHOWDER COOK-OFF – SATURDAY, JUNE 2**

On Saturday, June 2, the legendary Great Chowder Cook-Off officially kicks off summer in Newport! RIPTA is offering a special express shuttle to the Great Chowder Cook-Off. Passengers may board the "Special" RIPTA bus at the Newport Marriott to go to the Chowder Cook-Off and then make their return trip at any of the scheduled times. Newport Waterfront Events is working closely with RIPTA to encourage event attendees to use public transpiration to this highly-attended event, as parking is limited. )Newport Marriott to go to the Chowder Cook-Off and then make their return trip at any of the scheduled times. Newport Waterfront Events is working closely with RIPTA to encourage event attendees to use public transpiration to this highly-attended event, as parking is limited.

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**ROUTE 6 SERVICE MODIFIED FOR ZOOBILEE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 30** Zoobilee: Feast with the Beasts, the Roger Williams Zoo's largest annual fundraiser, will be held on Saturday, June 30. All proceeds from the event and the auction help to support the Zoo's environmental education and wildlife conservation programs!

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Zoo will close early in preparation for Zoobilee on June 30. The last admission will be at 1:30pm. RIPTA Route 6 (Prairie/R.W. Zoo) will not travel to the Zoo entrance after 2PM. Passengers can board Route 6 at the entrance to the Zoo parking lot after 2PM.

Thank you for understanding.



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