

WINTER WEATHER PREPARATION

During periods of heavy snow and ice, buses will sometimes fall behind schedule, but rest assured operators will be working to



reach your stop as soon as possible. Plan extra time for your commute. Take an earlier trip. Buses not only get slowed down by the snow, but also by surrounding traffic. Allowing for extra time is the best way to get around during winter weather travel.

Passengers are always advised to use extreme caution at bus stops due to decreased visibility and slippery conditions.

Passengers are strongly advised to monitor news reports, check RIPTA.com/alerts, download the Transit app, and check RIPTA's Twitter and Facebook for service advisory updates.

RIPTA urges passengers to sign up for email alerts for the routes they ride. This service provides subscribers with information about detours, temporary service disruptions and service changes.

HOW TO SIGN UP FOR EMAIL ALERTS

To sign up for email alerts, visit RIPTA.com/schedules

Click on the route you would like to receive alerts for and then click on "Receive Updates for This Schedule." Enter your email address in the form that pops up and then click "Subscribe."

RIPTA'S WINTER SERVICE CHANGES TO TAKE EFFECT SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2021



RIPTA will implement winter service changes effective Saturday, January 16, 2021. RIPTA makes regular service adjustments three times a year in response to seasonal changes and/or passenger use. Click here to see if your route is affected.

WAVE HELLO TO AN AWARD

The Rhode Island Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA RI) has chosen RIPTA to receive an Award for Excellence in Transportation Planning Implementation for its new Wave Smart Fare Collection System App. Each year, APA RI celebrates the best planning initiatives from around the state – projects that help build stronger, safer, and more just communities for all. A virtual awards ceremony



will be held on Thursday, January 14th at 6 PM. If you would like to participate, please click here to register in advance.

For more information on Wave, click here.



DTC bus stop on Dorrance Street

A STREETCAR NOT DESIRED

Rhode Island native Hayden
Clarkin, now a transportation
engineer-in-training and transit
blogger in San Francisco, posted a
good read about our high frequency
bus corridor in Providence. He looks
at the project from its original
inception as a streetcar proposal.

Click here to read it.

NOW HIRING

Looking for a job that comes with the reward of serving the public? We're currently recruiting individuals to help us in our mission of delivering quality transportation to Rhode Islanders.



We're currently hiring for the following positions:

Zero Emission Vehicles Policy Specialist Paratransit Operator Paratransit CDL Trainee Mechanic

Click here to learn more.

RIPTA TO RUN SUNDAY/HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021

RIPTA will operate all fixed-route bus service on a Sunday/Holiday schedule on Wednesday, Friday, January 1, 2021 in observance of New Year's Day. Click here for details.

RIPTA TO RUN SUNDAY/HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE ON MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021

RIPTA will operate all fixed-route services on a Sunday/Holiday schedule on

Monday, January 18, 2021 in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Click here for details.



RIPTA IN THE COMMUNITY

Throughout this difficult year, RIPTA has worked hard to lend a helping hand wherever possible. We have deployed available paratransit vehicles to help make deliveries for Meals on Wheels of Rhode Island, we partnered with the Office of Healthy Aging to get thousands of donated meals distributed to community centers, and our outreach team has helped dispatch essential care

kits for Family Service of Rhode Island. There have been more partnerships, but they all come down to the fact that RIPTA cares about the state it serves, and none of this would be possible without dedicated and compassionate employees. As the year drew to a close, our Senior Marketing Coordinator, wanted to help in a more personal way so she reached out to Comprehensive Community Action Program (CCAP) in Cranston and asked for a family to "adopt" for Christmas. With the help of her RIPTA colleagues, gifts were purchased for the entire family and delivered to CCAP. **Happy Holidays!**









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