



TRAVELING IN NEWPORT JUST GOT EASIER!

This summer, passengers can ride Route 67 and the new Route 68 FOR **FREE!** Funded by Discover Newport and the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, passengers can hop-on and hop-off these two routes through October 31, 2022 at no charge. The service offers transportation around Newport to tourist destinations and beaches.

Visit [RIPTA.com/Newport](https://www.ripta.com/newport) for details.

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SUMMER SERVICE CHANGES

RIPTA will implement summer service changes effective Saturday, June 18, 2022. RIPTA makes regular service adjustments three times a year in response to seasonal changes and/or passenger use. These annual changes are **major** and include the introduction of three new routes, the start of selected summer services, and changes to trip times.

Some of these changes are a direct result of the Transit Forward RI 2040 Master Plan, designed to help make Rhode Island a better and more prosperous place to live, work, and play. [Click here](#) to learn more about it.

[Click here](#) to see all the exciting changes!



WEEKEND EXPRESS BEACH BUS IS BACK

Express South County Beach Buses serving Scarborough, Roger Wheeler and Galilee State Beaches will operate from the communities of Woonsocket, Central Falls, Pawtucket, Providence (Kennedy Plaza), North Providence and Cranston. Service will operate on weekends and holidays beginning Saturday, June 18 through Sunday, August 21, 2022. [Click here](#) for details.

RIPTA BREAKS GROUND ON IN-LINE CHARGING STATION

Last month, Governor Dan McKee joined state leaders and local officials to celebrate the groundbreaking of Rhode Island's first electric bus in-line charging



station. The station will be located along the R-Line, RIPTA's most frequent and highest-ridership route, connecting Providence and Pawtucket. RIPTA's first fully electric bus fleet will operate on this key corridor, lowering emissions in an

area where many low-income and BIPOC communities have been affected by air pollution.

“This new electric charging station is not only a key component in our battle against climate change, but an environmental justice tool as well,” said **Scott Avedisian, RIPTA CEO**. “Constructing this station at Broad City Line cements our commitment to reducing global carbon emissions, while improving air quality for transit-dependent communities burdened by the adverse health effects of pollution.”

[Click here](#) for details.



PAWTUCKET/CENTRAL FALLS TRANSIT CENTER UPDATE

Construction continues at this intermodal transit center. At our site visit last week, construction workers were laying out a path of bright yellow square tiles with bumps. This detectable warning surface, known as tactile paving, helps people with visual impairments detect when they are about to leave a walkway, enter

a parking lot or street, or approach a transit boarding location.

Tactile paving was first developed in 1965 by Seiichi Miyake and has since been used worldwide to help the visually impaired safely navigate their way around cityscapes.

RIPTA IN THE COMMUNITY

Congratulations to [Rhode Island Manufacturers Association \(RIMA\)](#) on their 25th Anniversary! Last month, RIPTA’s Commuter Resource RI team attended RIMA’s Annual Breakfast and Meeting, where they spoke to manufacturers about various transit programs including the exciting benefits of vanpool. To learn more about all our commuter programs, [click here](#).

Pictured here: Our Transit Specialist speaks to Rachel R., Senior Talent Acquisition Partner at Blount Fine Foods, about our new Wave to Work program.



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: Peter Michaud / Business Marketing Specialist II

Peter has over 20 years of experience in the public transportation field and holds a Bachelor Degree from University of Massachusetts.

Since 2002, Peter has been instrumental in improving Commuter Resource RI transit initiatives, in particular university and employer transit benefit programs. He continues

to work on all aspects of intermodal transportation including transit, carpool, vanpool and train. Peter’s main focus is promoting and educating the public through consistent outreach efforts.

He is the definition of a team player – always willing to help out his colleagues and the Authority whenever he can.

STEER YOUR CAREER IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

RIPTA is hiring!

Do you want career growth with an established organization where you can retire with a pension and benefits?

Attend the RIPTA Career Fair on Thursday, June 23, 2022 from 11am to 3pm at 705 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, RI.

We're currently hiring for the following positions:

- Mechanic
- Utility Worker
- Paratransit Operator
- Paratransit CDL Trainee

RIPTA Offers:

- Competitive Wages
- Pension Plan
- Health Benefits
- 457 Deferred Comp
- Dental Coverage
- Optional Life Insurance
- Vision Coverage
- Paid Vacation and Personal Time
- Flexible Spending Account
- Paid Sick Time
- Uniform Allowance

Visit [RIPTA.com/careers](https://ripta.com/careers) for more information.



Now Hiring

DETOURS

PVDFEST: FRIDAY, JUNE 10 – SUNDAY, JUNE 12

RIPTA will detour Routes 1, 3, 4, 6, 9X, 10X, 12X, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24L, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 40, 49, 50, 51, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59X, 60, 61X, 65X, 66, 72, 78, 92 and the R-Line. Washington Street will be closed during this time. Kennedy Plaza will be closed all day and night for this event. All bus stops in Kennedy Plaza will be temporarily relocated to Dyer Street

during this time. Visit [RIPTA.com/PVDFest](https://ripta.com/PVDFest) for a temporary bus stop map and details.

GASPEE DAYS PARADE: SATURDAY, JUNE 11

RIPTA will detour Route 4 (Warwick Ave.) from the first trip of the day until 2pm.

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