

## News Release

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## Pierce Transit Fare Free on June 1 to Kick Off Ride Transit Month

To celebrate the first day of Ride Transit Month, Pierce Transit will offer fare free rides on Sunday, June 1, 2025. June is recognized annually as Ride Transit Month. Nationwide, transit agencies, advocates and partner organizations promote transit use during the month and coordinate activities and events that encourage their community members to ride transit. The free rides are valid on all regularly scheduled Pierce Transit bus service, SHUTTLE and Runner on-demand services.

"Ride Transit Month is one of my favorite months of the year because it's an excuse for people all over Pierce County to try transit!" explains Pierce Transit Commissioner and Tacoma City Councilmember Kristina Walker. "Thanks to Pierce Transit for inviting community members to ride free June 1 to make it easy. I know that when people try transit they discover an affordable way to get where they're going, a proven way to help the environment, and a safe, relaxing way to reach the destination. I'll see you on the bus!"

The Pierce Transit Board of Commissioners will issue a Resolution in support of Ride Transit Month at its June 10 meeting, which starts at 4 p.m. In addition, several other communities throughout Pierce County will issue proclamations in support of Ride Transit Month, including:

- Pierce County May 27
- City of Tacoma June 3
- City of Fircrest June 10
- City of Lakewood June 16
- City of Puyallup June 17

## About <u>Pierce Transit</u>:

Founded in 1979, Pierce Transit is a nationally recognized leader in the public transportation industry. The agency's service covers 292 square miles of Pierce County with roughly 70 percent of the county population. Serving Washington's second-most-populous county, Pierce Transit provides four types of service: traditional bus, SHUTTLE paratransit, on-demand Runner and Rideshare that help get passengers to jobs, school, appointments and other critical destinations. For information on services provided by Pierce Transit, visit <u>PierceTransit.org</u>.