

# Memo

**TO:** Non-Profit/Public Agencies Serving Low-Income Clients

FROM: Ann Freeman-Manzanares, General Manager

**DATE**: October 17, 2016

**SUBJECT:** 2017 Application for Discounted Bus Pass Program

The Intercity Transit Authority invites non-profit and government organizations to apply for the discounted bus pass program. This program allows qualifying agencies who serve low-income clients to purchase monthly bus passes at half price. Non-profit and government organizations within our service area may apply. Up to \$300,000 of monthly passes are available in 2017.

To be considered for the initial selection process, you must submit your application no later than 4 p.m., November 18, 2016. If you cannot submit your application by this deadline, you may submit your application at a later date. If funding remains after the first round of selections, we will award discounted passes on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Program information and the application for Discounted Bus Passes are attached. The application instructions are also available on our Web site: www.intercitytransit.com.

If you have any questions about this program, please call **Carol Hoosier** at (360) **705-5812** or email her at **choosier@intercitytransit.com**.

# **Intercity Transit Discounted Bus Pass Program**

#### **Description**

The Intercity Transit Authority's Discounted Bus Pass Program offers monthly bus passes to qualifying organizations at a 50-percent discount. Non-profit organizations and public agencies within Intercity Transit's service area are invited to apply.

Successful applicants must provide a 50-percent match for passes provided through this program. Up to \$300,000 worth of monthly bus passes are available in 2017.

This packet contains the application and a description of the requirements and selection criteria for the program.

#### **Monthly Pass Cost**

Monthly Pass Type	Full Cost	Discounted Cost
Adult	\$36	\$18
Youth	\$15	\$7.50
Reduced Fare*	\$15	\$15

<sup>\*</sup>Regional Reduced Fare Permit required. Eligibility is based on age, disability or possession of a Medicare card. Reduced Fare passes will not be further discounted under this program. Reduced Fare Permit Applications are processed by Intercity Transit's Customer Service department.

#### **Eligibility**

If you are a public agency or non-profit organization with 501(c)(3) status and you serve low-income people within our service area, you may apply. Our service area includes the urban growth areas of Olympia, Lacey, Tumwater, and Yelm. Public agencies may be eligible for this program depending on the clients and programs served. For information, contact **Carol Hoosier**, (360) 705-5812, or email her at <a href="mailto:choosier@intercitytransit.com">choosier@intercitytransit.com</a>.

### Other Requirements and Information

- We will award passes to your agency for distribution to your clients.
- You determine which clients are eligible for the passes and how you will distribute them.
- If your organization is a non-profit, you must provide a copy of your 501(c) (3) non-profit certification.
- All applicants must provide data on primary trip purposes for clients who will receive monthly passes.

- We will distribute passes monthly. The grant award represents the maximum number of passes you may purchase at the reduced rate during the year. Additional passes may be available if adequate funds remain in the program.
- Each month we will deliver your requested number of passes and an invoice to your designated pass coordinator. Passes are not refundable so please thoughtfully consider the number of passes you request.

#### **Application Schedule**

October 17, 2016: Applications released to agencies and grant availability

advertised.

November 18, 2016: Applications due by 4 p.m.

December 7, 2016: Intercity Transit Authority determines grant awards. December 19, 2016: Intercity Transit mails passes to awarded agencies.

January 1, 2017: Program begins.

#### **How to Submit Your Application**

You may submit your application materials in paper copy or electronically. We must receive your application no later than 4 p.m., **Friday, November 18, 2016**.

Send your application to:

Carol Hoosier, Accounting Specialist

**Intercity Transit** 

526 Pattison SE

PO Box 659

Olympia, WA 98507-0659

E-mail: choosier@intercitytransit.com

#### **Summary of Selection Criteria**

The selection process is competitive and involves review and evaluation using the criteria below.

Criteria	Weight (%)
Demonstrated community benefit	50
Agency's history of providing transportation support to clients	20
Organization and financial stability	15
Importance of transportation to organization's provision of services	15

# INTERCITY TRANSIT 2017 Discounted Bus Pass Program Application

## **Section 1: General Information**

1.	Name of applicant Agency/Organization
2.	Address for mailing passes
3.	Billing address
4.	Contact person who will distribute the passes:
	Phonee-mail
5.	Type of Applicant Public Agency
	501(c)(3)
Se	ection 2: Certification
an	ertify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information in this application is true d accurate and this agency/organization has the necessary financial and managerial pability to provide the required matching funds for this program.
Si	gnature of Lead Agency/Organization
Во	ard Chair/Executive Officer
Na	ime and Title
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### **Section 3: Description of Proposed Use of Transit Passes**

(Please use a separate piece of paper for this section)

- 1. Describe the transportation problem you propose to solve with monthly passes purchased through this program.
- 2. Describe the profile of the passengers you plan to serve through this program. Profiles may include, but are not limited to, people with disabilities, senior citizens, people with low income, at-risk youth, and general public.
- 3. Describe the eligibility criteria you will use to distribute passes to your clients. How you will determine the eligibility of clients?
- 4. How will you distribute monthly passes purchased through this program?
- 5. a) Describe how your organization coordinates transportation efforts with other community programs.
  - b) Describe how your organization coordinates transportation needs with other transportation providers, including Intercity Transit.
- 6. How does your program currently meet your organization's and clients' transportation needs?
- 7. Have you provided transit passes to your agency's clients in the past? Please describe this program.
- 8. Provide examples of the primary purpose of the trips your clients make.
- 9. How will you provide the match for the proposed transportation pass program?
- **10.** Please provide a copy or summary of your agency's 2016 budget.

## **Section 4: Number of Passes You Request**

NAME OF APPLICANT:	

Fill in the form below as follows:

- 1. Enter the number of each pass type you want for each month.
- 2. Enter the total number of passes combined for each month in the "Total" column.
- 3. Add each column and enter the totals on the line labeled, "Total No. Passes".
- 4. Enter your cost for each pass type and the total for all types combined.
- 5. Enter Intercity Transit's total value for each pass type and the total combined.

The maximum number of passes you receive will be equal to or less than the number you indicate in the line labeled, "Total Number of Passes".

Pass Type				
Month	Adult	Youth	Total Passes	
January				
February				
March				
April				
May				
June				
July				
August				
September				
October				
November				
December				
TOTAL No. Passes				
Enter your cost for each pass type &	Adult passes x \$18	Youth passes x \$7.50	Total \$ for all pass types	
the total here	\$	\$	\$	
Enter Transit total value	Adult passes x \$36	Youth passes x \$15	Total \$ for all pass types	
here	\$	\$	\$	

# **Application Submission Check List**

e-mail: choosier@intercitytransit.com
Carol Hoosier Intercity Transit 526 Pattison SE PO Box 659 Olympia, WA 98507-0659
Deliver by 4 p.m. Friday, November 18, 2016, to:
Include a summary of your 2016 budget
Include a copy of your agency's 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Certification (if applicable)
Get all required signatures
Answer all 10 questions in Section 2
Identify the primary applicant
Include the completed application