INPUT WANTED

What do you think?

LTD's Point2point program, the region's transportation options program, is conducting a survey to better understand how people travel. The survey will also gauge awareness and satisfaction of the region's transportation options. We'd like to hear from area residents and commuters about how they get around (by bus, bike, walk, car, etc.) and what is helpful to them in using or learning about transportation options.

Please take a few minutes this month (February 12-February 23) to complete this survey at LTD.org/State-Survey. Respondents can enter a drawing for a \$100 Amazon gift card after completing the survey.

Your input will help inform future program investments in local transportation options. Similar surveys are occurring in many other communities across our state and support Oregon's Transportation Options Plan.

To learn more about Point2point, visit LTD.org/Point2point

DETOUR ALERTS

Let's Twitter!

When construction or snow/ice impact travel in our region, your bus route may be affected. LTD works hard to continue operating as much of our service as possible during these events, but sometimes detours are necessary for safety.

View all detours online at LTD.org/service-alerts or on your specific route page if a detour is in effect. Riders can also follow LTD on Twitter for up-to-date service alert notifications at #LTDServiceAlerts.

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PRESIDENTS' DAY

LTD will operate regular service on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 19, 2018.



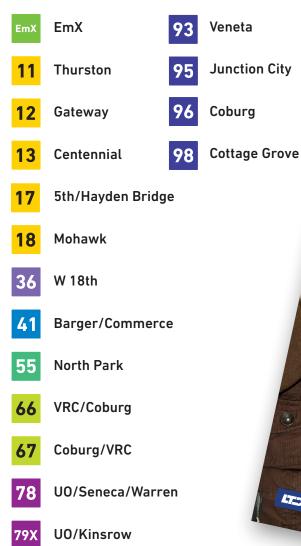


WINTER SERVICE CHANGES

Eighteen routes impacted

Beginning Sunday, February 4, 18 LTD routes will have adjustments to improve service reliability, rider connections and operating effectiveness.

Adjusted Routes:



LCC/Pearl

More details about these changes is available online at **LTD.org/winter-changes**, by visiting the LTD Customer Service Center (CSC), located at Eugene Station, or by calling 541-687-5555.

The winter 2018 Rider's Digest, outlining the service changes, is now available on buses, at the CSC, and at area LTD pass outlets.



PAWS PROGRAM

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

DRIVE LESS READ MORE

Turn Commute Time into *Me Time*

JOIN A VANPOOL

Eugene to Portland

Do you or someone you know drive long distances for their daily commute? Point2point, the transportation options program at Lane Transit District, works with other regional agencies to provide Valley VanPool, a service operating vanpools between Eugene, Corvallis, Albany and Salem.

Drive-alone commuters between Salem and Eugene typically spend more than \$500 per month in travel costs (gas, tires, and maintenance). They also spend an estimated 500 hours each year behind the wheel of a car. By comparison, the same commute using the Salem-to-Eugene vanpool currently costs just \$170 a month, saving the commuter money and wear and tear on their private vehicles, reducing traffic on area roads and lessening harmful air pollution.

Valley VanPool currently supports 47 active vanpools that serve more than 400 commuters in the Willamette Valley. Who do you know that might be interested in vanpooling?

Seats are available on many current vanpools. Areas served by the Valley Vanpool program include Albany/Corvallis, Eugene, Salem, Portland, Sheridan, and more. For more information, visit **ValleyVanPool.Info** or contact **Vanpool@LTD.org**

Making access easier

LTD riders that have service animals will now be able to board more easily with the new "Paws" Program.

The new program allows riders to get a special paw print on their rider card, showing that they have a certified service animal. When boarding, all the rider has to do is show their card to board with ease. Anyone with a service animal (companion animals do not qualify) can get the special stamp at the downtown Eugene Station.

In the past, when a rider with an animal would board the bus, the operator asked specific questions related to the function the service animal is trained to provide. This takes time and can be inconvenient for riders that ride multiple routes a day.

The new Paws Program is possible with the support and funding from the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). LTD and ODOT hope this new program for service animal documentation may become a model for other transit agencies across the nation.





February is dedicated to honoring the achievements of African Americans. There have been many contributions by African-Americans throughout this country's history, including helping to shape transportation through inventions and actions.

- Maya Angelou has stated that she was the first female African American Street Car Conductor in San Francisco at the age of 16.
- **Charles Banks** invented the Hydraulic Jack which allows us to keep buses well maintained and safe.
- **Garrett Morgan** invented the first traffic signal in 1922 in Cleveland, Ohio. The signals were used throughout North America until the invention of the automatic red-yellow-green light signals.
- **Meredith Gourdine** invented the exhaust purification system for automobiles in 1967, now known as the Catalytic Converter, helping to keep our air clean.
- **Rosa Parks** refused to obey the bus driver who asked her to give up her seat for a white passenger, which helped spearhead the Civil Rights Movement.

One of this community's own members, Sam Reynolds, and his family will be honored this spring with the installation of a permanent marker near the Sam Reynolds EmX Station on West 11th. Look for information on **LTD. org** later this spring.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

KLCC Microbrew Festival

February 9-10, 2018 Lane Events Center 796 West 13th Ave., Eugene

A weekend full of brewing competitions, 80+ breweries with 200+ beers and ciders to sample and live music. All proceeds benefit KLCC 89.7 FM. Take the bus for free, courtesy of LTD. For more information, and to download your pass,

visit KLCC.org/post/KLCC-Brewfest-2018

Take Route 36 or 41



Komen Race for the Cure

March 4, 2018 Valley River Center

Be Bold. Be Fearless. Be More than Pink. Register now to join community members in a fun run or walk to support The Eugene Komen 5K Race for the Cure. Whether you walk or run, you can support funds for breast cancer research. Race site opens at 7:00 a.m., 5K Fun Run starts at 9:00 a.m., 5K Walk begins at 9:10 a.m. For more information, visit **Oregon-Info-Komen.org**