GRAC

Richmond's Public Transit System

Kelsey Calder – GRTC's Travel Training Instructor







GRTC's Travel Training Instructor Kelsey Calder 804-474-9320 (call/voicemail or text) kcalder@ridegrtc.com

- Been with the program since start over 9 years now!
- Was a licensed Special Education teacher in VA for 10 years
- First Nationally Certified Travel Trainer via EasterSeals and the University of South Florida's Center for Urban and Transportation Research
- Trained over 280 individuals and small groups
- Travel Training is very flexible, I'm always happy to accommodate when appropriate!



- Fixed-Route regular/big city buses that run a specific route, anyone can use
 - Numbered buses (19, 7A) \$0.75-1.75 per trip, max \$3.50 per day with all day pass
 - Express buses (95X, 29X) think commuter, \$2-6 per trip
- Bus Rapid Transit mimics metro/subway
 - The Pulse Willow Lawn to Rockets Landing
 - Same price as numbered buses
- Paratransit curb to curb service, must be found eligible for use
 - CAREvan shared ride service, \$3-6 per ride, reservations made at least a day ahead
 - CARE On-demand think Uber/Lyft, minimum \$6 per ride *still costs money* same day rides
- Microtransit on-demand travel, must stay in the service area
 - Use app or call to schedule same day ride
 - Azalea Zone Memorial Regional Hospital, DBVI, Henrico HS
 - Ashland Zone Randolph-Macon college, Amtrak Station, VCC
 - Sandston Elko Zone east end of Henrico, White Oak, Airport
 - Clover Dale Zone Hull Street in Chesterfield
 - Powhatan Zone Westchester Commons, Walmart, Powhatan County Library



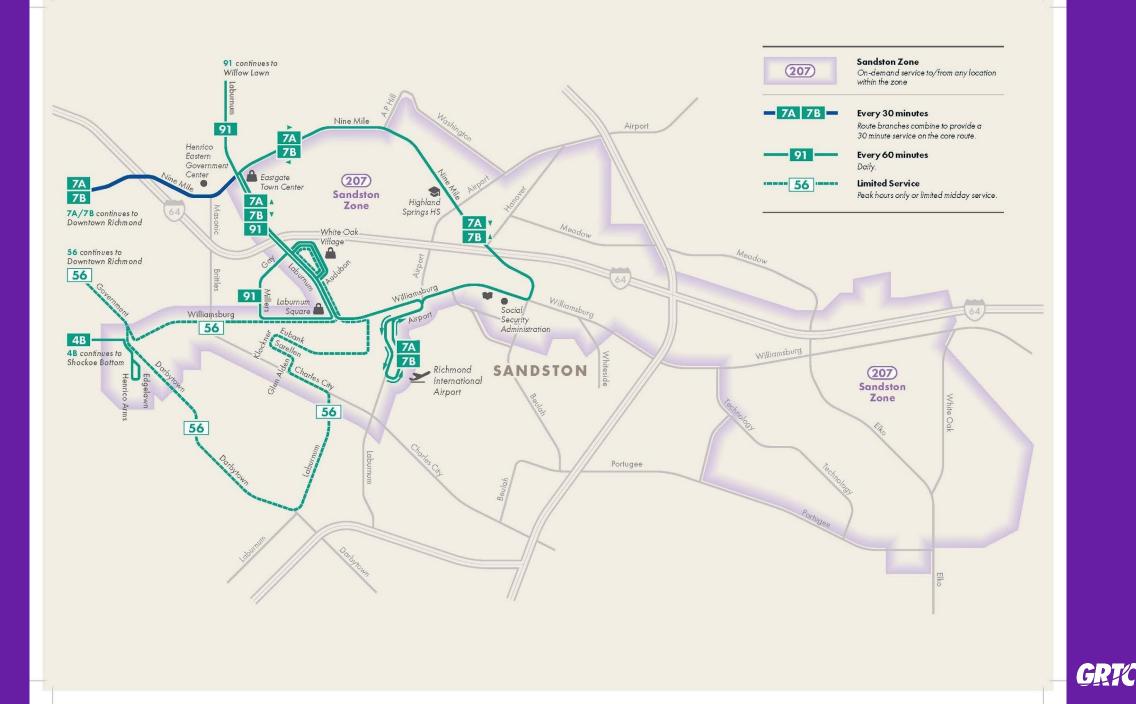
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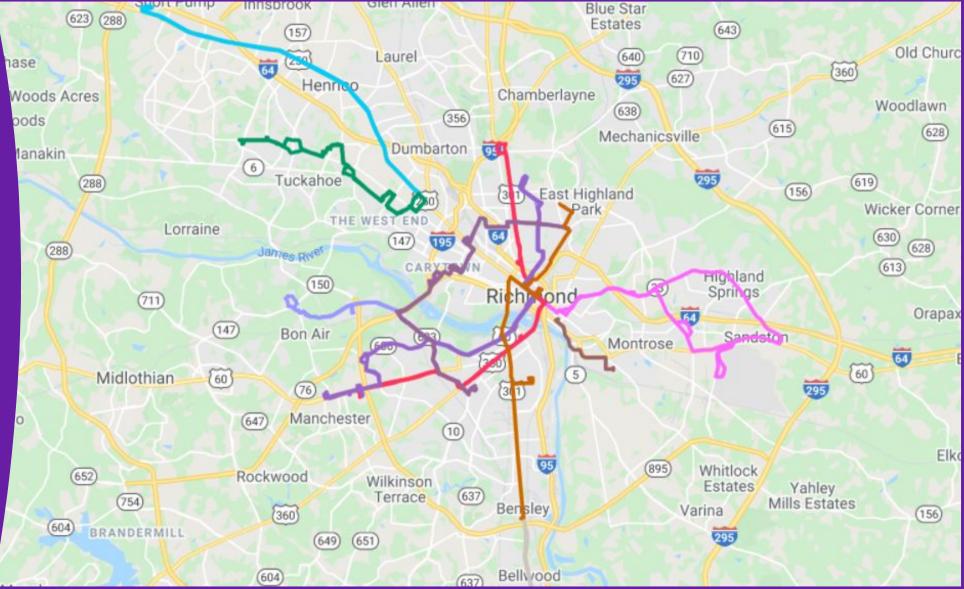
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Fixed Route Service Area More routes

than shown Find a full service map on ridegrtc.com

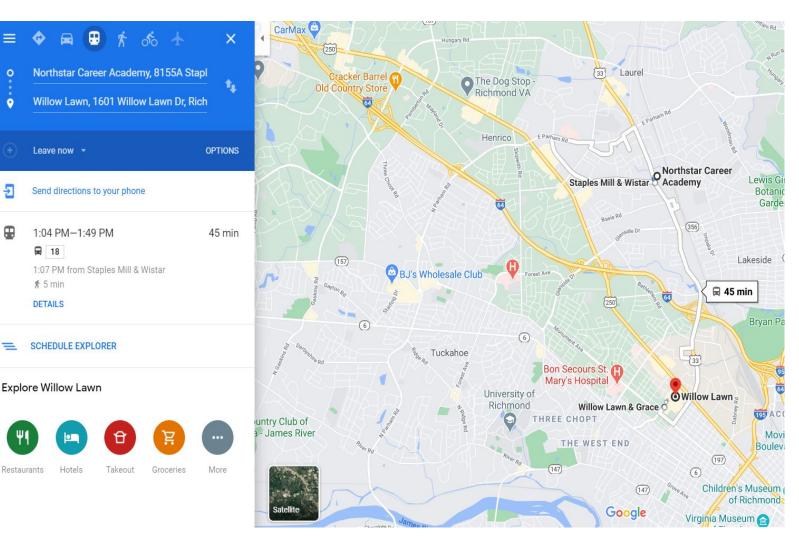






How do I use the fixed-route bus?

- Make sure to click on the transit button
- Google allows you to play around with departure/arrival time, day of travel, walking details





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Inside of a GRTC bus





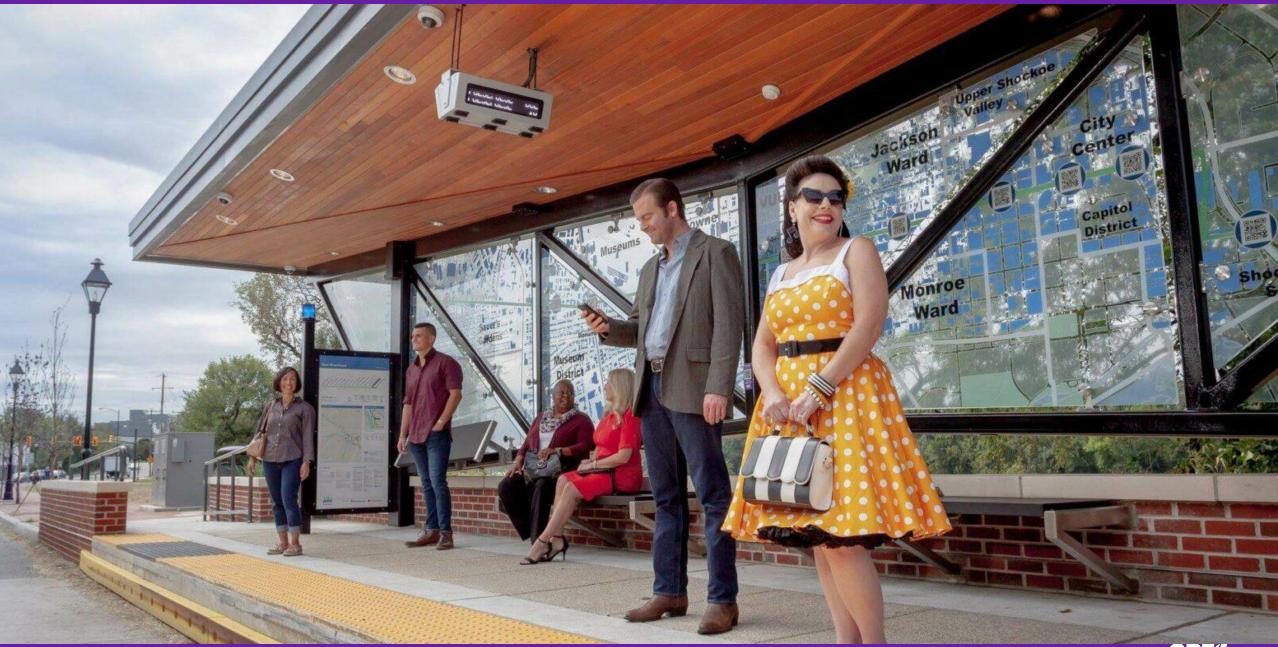


Inside of a GRTC bus

















What is Travel Training?

- FREE for anyone 15 years and older
- One-on-One Training
- Personal Mobility Device Training
- Bus Orientation

One-on-One Travel Training

- -Most popular
- -Open to anyone
- -Free
- -First come, first serve basis

- Starts with an in-person meeting, usually at the person's • home, caregivers/case managers welcome
 - I ask a series of questions, they sign a liability waiver •
- Depending on what the trainee needs determines next ulletcourse of action
 - Walking to nearest bus stop •
 - Taking a trip on the bus
 - Learning how to utilize technology
 - Learning how to plan trips \bullet
- No time frame, we work together until the trainee can • safely and independently travel
 - Open conversations with trainee and/or caregiver on skills learned and skills needed
- Can work together multiple times •
 - Needing to learn different routes or refresher
 - Changes to typical routes



Personal Mobility Device Training

-Open to CARE customers only

-Free

-Not necessary to do

- Schedule a time to come to the office via the CARE van (free to trainee)
- Practice boarding and alighting on the different types of fixed route buses in the yard
- Take the CARE van home (free to trainee)

Bus Orientation Travel Training

-Open to anyone

-Free

-Good for groups or seasoned bus riders

- Depending on needs determines where to start
 - Training on how to use technology to plan trips
 - Taking a bus trip to familiarize self with our system
- Usually one/two meetings



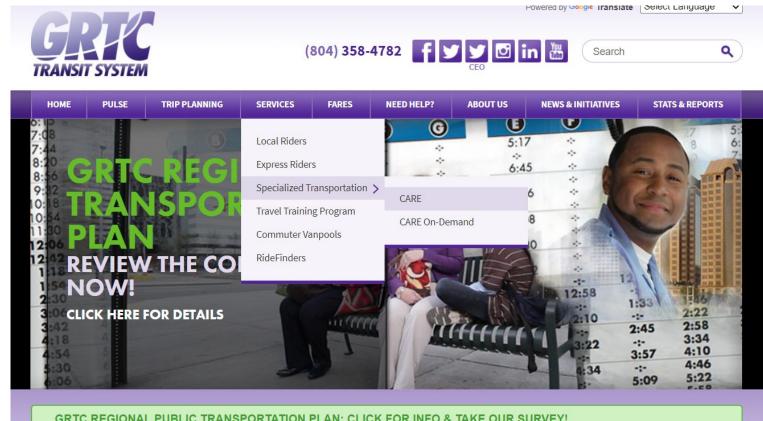
How to start learning bus skills without a bus

- Practice pedestrian street skills crosswalks, pedestrian signals, crossing with only a stop light, construction
- Identifying GRTC's vehicles CAREvan, LINK vans, fixed-route buses (purple/silver), Pulse buses (blue/green)
- Identifying GRTC's operators by our uniform
- Use map app to plan trips, use walking feature to walk around neighborhood or bus route
- Practice with our How to Ride YouTube videos -<u>https://www.youtube.com/user/ridegrtc/playlists</u>
- Figure out how much money you'd save by taking public transit versus Uber/Lyft
- Dressing for the weather
- Follow a bus in a car look at where it goes, bus stops on the route, how many riders, etc.
- Don't have public transit? Check to see if you have a mobility manager or a disability advisory board in your area





How to apply for the CAREvan



GRTC REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PLAN: CLICK FOR INFO & TAKE OUR SURVEY!



How to apply for the CAREvan

- Eligibility
- Paratransit Riders 80 years or older
- Service Areas & Operating Hours
- Paratransit Fare
- Local Route Bus Fares
- Scheduling a Reservation
- CARE On-Demand
- No Show/Late Cancellation Policy
- Replacement CARE cards
- Holiday Schedules
- Contacting CARE
- CARE Advisory Committee (CAC)

Eligibility

The ADA requires an eligibility process for the ADA Paratransit service. To apply for eligibility, please see contact information for ADARide below:

Website: www.adaride.com Phone: (877) 232-7433 | Phone TTY: (310) 410-0985 | Fax: (310) 410-0239 (Mon-Fri. 11:00am - 7:00pm ET) Email: info@adaride.com Mail: ADARide, 19300 S. Hamilton Ave, Suite #120, Gardena, CA 90248

For assistance with eligibility at GRTC or ID cards, please contact GRTC's Eligibility Coordinator at: Phone: (804) 358-3871 ext. 434 Mail: Eligibility Coordinator, GRTC Transit System, 301 East Belt Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23224



If found eligible for the CAREvan, you can use CARE **On-Demand**



SCHEDULES & ROUTES



their mobility needs. "CARE On-Demand" enables CARE cu day, direct, non-stop trip. CARE On-Demand is an optional p CARE customers are not required to use CARE On-Demand CARE to be eligible to utilize CARE On-Demand.

Schedule your trip at least two hours in advance. Trips can a with greater flexibility. You will need your CARE ID number for riding.







CARE On-Demand

• With UZURV, you get a private ride with a courteous, credentialed, ADA-compliant driver in a vehicle matched to your specific needs. The ride is a direct, non-stop, door-to-door service. Rides can be booked in as little as 60 minutes ahead of time.



- Eligible riders can use UZURV's direct line call center or the UZURV Ride App to schedule rides, manage reservations, track trips, and favorite drivers. The app is WCAG 2.1 AA Certified for accessibility and ease of use. Are you ready to take transportation back in your hands and enjoy a safer and more convenient UZURV experience?
 <u>Click here to download the app</u> Or UZURV Call Center & Service Hours: 7 days a week Monday - Friday from 5:30AM to 10:00PM Saturday - Sunday from 7:30AM to 7:30PM
- Like Your UZURV Driver? You can also select favorite drivers and request them again.
- CALL the UZURV Care On Demand Team at (804)-499-3400. We look forward to assisting you!





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