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Sunday Bus Service Begins in Bremerton on Sept. 24

Bus, local ferry services will be fare-free on Sundays through end of 2024

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BREMERTON, Wash. – Starting this Sunday, Kitsap Transit will offer fixed-route and on-demand services for getting around Bremerton – a first step in rolling out similar services in Silverdale, Port Orchard, Poulsbo and Bainbridge Island.

The [Route 217-Bremerton/Silverdale East](#) will operate trips every 30 minutes from the Silverdale Transit Center (next to The Trails at Silverdale shopping center) to the Bremerton Transportation Center starting at 8:00 AM, with the Route 217 ending service at 4:40 PM. See the schedule online.



Sunday On-Demand Bus Service will offer flexible routing across the Bremerton service area and connect riders with the Route 217-Bremerton/Silverdale East.

In addition, a new bus service called **Sunday On-Demand** will operate with a few timed stops in a service area that covers much of West and East Bremerton. In West Bremerton, the timed stops are at the West Bremerton Transit Center and Ostrich Bay at WinCo. In East Bremerton, the timed stops are at Sheridan Road & Perry Avenue (Perry Avenue Mall) and at Perry Avenue & 11 Street. For details, including the service area’s boundaries, please visit: <http://www.kitsaptransit.com/Sunday>

The public can book rides on Sunday On-Demand by calling 1-844-475-7433 or booking directly through the Ride Pingo mobile app for iPhone and Android. In the app, customers can see an estimated wait time for pickup and track their ride in real time. Trips can be booked now or scheduled **up to two hours** in advance. If you’re trying to take the bus to the Bremerton Transportation Center to connect with a Washington State Ferry or Port Orchard Foot Ferry, you can select the “Transit Connect” feature in the app when making your trip request. This feature is not available for rides scheduled in advance.

All on-demand trips must start and end within the Bremerton service area. Passengers cannot book an On-Demand trip if both their pickup and drop-off locations are within a quarter-mile of Route 217. The mobile app will automatically calculate the distance to determine whether the trip request is eligible.

Port Orchard, Silverdale and Poulsbo are slated to get Sunday bus service near the end of this year, pending successful operator recruitment. Kitsap Transit plans to operate Route 8-Bethel every 30 minutes in Port Orchard and Route 332-Poulsbo/Silverdale every 60 minutes, as well as some level of on-demand flex route. The service areas are still being finalized.

Bainbridge Island will see Sunday on-demand service in early 2024, pending successful operator recruitment. The service area will likely be the same as BI Ride's service area. In addition, Route 390-Poulsbo/Bainbridge will operate every 60 minutes.

Because Sunday bus service is new, the Kitsap Transit Board of Commissioners has authorized the agency to waive bus and local foot ferry fares on Sundays only through the end of 2024. Kitsap Fast Ferries does not operate on Sundays. Bus and local foot ferry fares will still be collected on weekdays and Saturdays.

Customers with questions about Sunday bus service can contact Customer Service at (360) 373-2877 or 1.800.501.RIDE.

About Kitsap Transit

Kitsap Transit has been operating friendly, convenient public transit since 1983. The transit agency for Kitsap County carried more than 3.84 million riders in 2019 across a multi-modal system of routed buses, passenger ferries, paratransit shuttles, vanpools, and worker/driver buses for the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard.

Hablar español?

Por favor llame al 1-800-501-7433 durante las horas normales de oficina. El personal de servicios al cliente se conectará con un intérprete para ayudarle a responder sus preguntas.

Nagsasalita ka ba ng Tagalog?

Paki-tawagan ang numero 1-800-501-7433 normal na oras ng trabaho. Customer Service kawani ay kumonekta sa isang taga interpretor upang tulungan sagutin ang iyong katanungan.