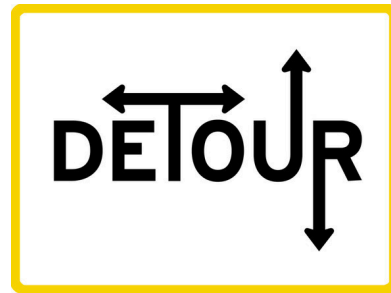




DETOURS

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE - PROVIDENCE

RIPTA will detour Routes 50, 55, 56 and 57 in Providence on Saturday, March 8, 2014 from 9:30 am to 2:30 pm to accommodate the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Service will resume with regularly scheduled trips after 2:30 pm. [Click here](#) for details.



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE – NEWPORT

RIPTA will detour Routes 60, 63 and 67 in Newport on Saturday, March 15, 2014 to accommodate the St. Patrick's Day Parade. [Click here](#) for details.

RIDOT CLOSURES EXIT 22 ON ROUTE 95 SOUTH

With the upcoming temporary closure of Exit 22 that begins this Saturday, motorists can expect congestion and delays. We think it's just another reason why you should Beat Traffic and Try Transit! Try RIPTA for 50% off the price! Commuters can take advantage of discounted bus fares from select Park n' Ride lots across the state as well as free parking at select commuter rail stations. "Beat Traffic, Try Transit" will run now through Friday, June 27, 2014. [Click here](#) for a complete list of participating lots and more information on how you can beat traffic!

RIPTA RETURNS TO TIVERTON

RIPTA and Representative John G. Edwards, Senior Deputy Majority Leader, along with Senator Louis P. DiPalma (District 12), Senator Christopher Scott Ottiano (District 11), Senator Walter S. Felag, Jr. (District 10), and Representative Dennis M. Canario (District 71) will hold a community meeting to discuss proposed transit service to the Tiverton area. The meeting is scheduled for 7pm on Wednesday, March 26, 2014 at the Tiverton Town Hall, located at 343 Highland Road in Tiverton. [Click here](#) for details.



RIPTA WANTS TO TAKE YOU OUT TO THE BALL GAME!

RIPTA is offering you an express bus ride to Pawtucket Red Sox (PawSox) baseball games every Sunday during the season. The first "PawSox Game Bus" leaves from Bus Stop P in Kennedy Plaza on Sunday, April 6, 2014 at 12:30pm. [Click here](#) more for details.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

In accordance with RI State Law, the RI Public Transit Authority (RIPTA) will hold a public hearing to address proposed minor weekend service reductions on the following routes:

- 32 East Providence/Wampanoag
- 73 Fairlawn/CCRI
- 80 Armistice Boulevard

The public hearing will be held at the East Providence Senior Center, 610 Waterman Avenue, East Providence on Wednesday, April 16, 2014 from 12PM-2PM and again from 6PM-8PM.

These service changes are being made due to low weekend ridership on Routes 32, 73 and 80. RIPTA is proposing making changes to Route 32 this Summer and on the 73 and 80 in the Fall. This is not reduction in overall service, these resources will be used to meet weekend demand in other parts of the state. For example, Route 13 and 17 are two routes that have expressed great demand for Sunday service.

If you are unable to attend the hearing but would like to provide RIPTA with comment, please email planning@ripta.com.

SERVICE UPDATES

RIPTA has been experiencing chronic morning overcrowding on Route 17 along Westminster Street and on Route 92 heading to Rhode Island College. In response to concerns from customers and drivers, two additional bus trips have been added: Route 17 now offers a 7:18AM Inbound from Olneyville Square to Kennedy Plaza. Route 92 now offers a 7:30AM to RI College.



The additional morning frequency should help passengers on these routes getting to work as well as high school and college students on their way to school. If your route is experiencing overcrowding, please contact Customer Service at 784-9500 X180 or customerrelations@ripta.com.



RIPTA IN THE COMMUNITY

Commuter Resource RI (CRRRI) is excited to partner with the Aquidneck Island Planning Commission to expand our growing EcoPass Program. Major employers on the island will be targeted to encourage them to provide transit to

their employees and inform them about CRRRI programs. The goal is to get more commuters on RIPTA buses, RI commuter rail and into carpools to ease traffic congestion and pollution caused by single occupant vehicles. If you work in Newport, Middletown or Portsmouth and would like us to contact your employer about commuter programs please contact the CRRRI program at commuter@ripta.com.



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