

# 2022 Proposed Fare Change

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# Move Ahead Washington

**\$3 billion** Public transportation; free fares for passengers 18 and under

Everett Transit will receive:

- \$758,427 between Oct. 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023
- \$2 million annually thereafter  
Based on previous year's operations expenses



# Proposed Fare Changes

- **Free youth fare**  
Implementation of a no fare policy for youth, 18 and under, on all services
- **Reduction of ORCA LIFT fare**  
Everett Transit is seeking approval to reduce (lower) the ORCA LIFT fare from \$1.50 to \$1
- **Introduction of subsidized annual pass**  
Working directly with DSHS, passes will be offered to individuals who qualify
- **Delete outdated language and add permissions**

# Fares: Current vs Proposed

Type of fare	Current		Proposed		
	Single trip fare	Monthly fare	Single trip fare	Monthly fare	Effective date
Youth (18 & under)	\$1.50	\$54	FREE	FREE	July 1, 2022
Families with children 5 & under	2 children ride free	N/A	All children ride free	N/A	July 1, 2022
ORCA LIFT	\$1.50	\$54	\$1	\$36	Late 2022
Subsidized annual pass	Does not exist currently with Everett Transit	Does not exist currently with Everett Transit	Free	Free	Late 2022
Adult	\$2	\$72	\$2	\$72	No change
Disabled & senior	\$0.50	\$18	\$0.50	\$18	No change



# Public Outreach

Everett Transit staff use several outlets to engage with and inform transit customers and interested residents, including:

- Everett Transit Rider Alerts: email and text updates
- On-bus brochures and informative flyers
- Website: images and direct links
- Facebook: posts and stories



# Public comment examples

- “This won’t affect me or my family, but I strongly support making transit more equitable and accessible to everyone.”
- “My kids will be able to take advantage of the lower fares which is desperately needed. Thank you.”
- “My family will be eligible for free transport, allowing us to cut cost on gas as well as use the bus as a common transport.”



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- “Giving me the ability to have the whole family together and not be expensive on traveling to our destination. Annual pass gives ability not to remember when it expires and how much each trip will be. Financially this would be great.”
- “My grandchildren can ride for free. This will help us visit more often.”
- “The proposed fare changes likely wouldn't affect me, but it would be good to see more people on the buses.”

# Public comment examples

- “We will be poorer due to the increase in taxes to "invest" in this welfare program.”
- “DO NOT lower fares. I’m tired of paying for this expensive, stupid, underutilized, archaic service.”
- Letting (people) ride free yet still charging the elderly and disabled???? We have got to stop enabling non-productive members in our society. The only way to do that is to stop giving these (people) free everything!!!”



# Thank you

To learn more and complete the brief public comment survey, please visit:  
**[EverettTransit.org/FareChange](https://EverettTransit.org/FareChange)**

Individuals may also submit a comment by contacting Everett Transit via phone at:  
**(425) 257-7777**

**Comment period closes: June 1, 2022**



