



Making Grants Pass a Transportation Hub



For many Oregonians, including in Josephine County, transit is the only accessible and affordable way to get to almost anywhere

Transit services are provided by the Transit Department of Josephine County, operating as Josephine Community Transit (JCT). Public transit started in Josephine County in 2000 with two fixed routes operating in Grants Pass.

JCT offers connecting routes to the northern and southern ends of Josephine County, as well as with the Rogue Valley Transportation District (RVTD) in Jackson County.

The system has grown to four routes within Grants Pass and three commuter routes serving Cave Junction, seven unincorporated cities in Josephine County and the cities of Rogue River, Gold Hill and a connection to RVTD in Medford.

JCT operates paratransit service within Grants Pass with app-based transit-on-demand weekdays between 6:30 pm and 9:30 pm.

Josephine County has been a direct recipient of operational funds from the Federal Transit Administration since 2014 because the main portion of JCT's service area falls within an urbanized area.

Until the STIF package was approved, JCT was only able to access one-half of available FTA matching funds. With STIF funding, the entire match can be covered, increasing JCT resources by as much as \$400,000 annually.

STIF funds enable JCT to receive full FDA match

STIF funding is making a difference everyday in every corner of Oregon



What We've Done

- Added fixed route service until 9:30 pm.
- Expanded reduced-fare eligibility for 10 new local human service agencies.
- Implemented app-based, curb-to-curb weekday service from 6:30 and 9:30 pm.
- Implemented five additional daily runs for JCT intra-city commuter service.
- Provided local match for four 100% electric 35-foot transit buses.
- Increased employee wages to remain competitive in local labor market.
- Provided local match for the federal dollars to construct the Grants Pass Transit Hub.



Our Next Goals

- Add Saturday service.
- Increase service frequency, with all urban routes operating every 30 minutes.
- Increase the number of daily runs on inter-city commuter routes and improving access to urbanized areas of Josephine and Jackson counties.
- Expand existing inter-city commuter routes to connect with the Umpqua Public Transportation District in Roseburg.
- Expand commuter routes to western and eastern Josephine County.
- Obtain more clean energy vehicles.
- Continue investment in accessibility and amenities to improve passenger comfort and information availability.

In the real world, medical appointments, work schedules and life requirements need a transit service that isn't just available weekdays from 9 to 5.