

## Quail Trail Transit Provides No-Fare Accessibility in Klamath Falls





Our services rely on a mix of funding from the Oregon Transportation and Human Services departments, U.S. Department of Transportation and Basin Transit Services.

## What Added STIF Funds Could Do

✓ Add drivers✓ Matching funds✓ Cost-of-living

OREGON TRANSIT ASSOCIATION Quail Trail Public Transit, operated by The Klamath Tribes Planning Department, provides service between Chiloquin to Klamath Falls with five routes per day Monday through Friday. The Quail Trail also offers a route from Chiloquin with stops at Sprague River and Beatty and then Klamath falls. This allows riders who live in rural and low-income areas to access shopping, medical services, social services, laundry services and more.

All buses are ADA-equipped, with video cameras and bike racks. We bring riders from rural areas to Basin Transit Services in Klamath Falls where riders receive a BTS bus pass and ride for free.

We contract with Translink OHP for medical appointments in Klamath and Lake counties. We provide non-emergency rides to Chiloquin for seniors and people with disabilities who cannot access medical and dental appointments, shopping, pharmacy and food banks. These rides are door-to-door service. We also transport Elders to local meal sites.

## **Key Quail Trail Public Transit Issues**

- The agency borrows buses after breakdowns resulting from long hauls on rural roads. It also has reduced the size of buses because of a lack of drivers with commercial operator licenses.
- VA transit funding doesn't cover inter-city trips for veterans in rural areas with appointments in clinics in faraway cities. We have trouble staffing trips to Bend and Medford but have so far provided all requested veteran trips.
- There aren't inter-city connections between Klamath Falls and Bend and Burns.