

One of the reasons we moved to downtown Portland in retirement was because of the existence of TriMet here. We have lived in communities with excellent public transportation before, but also in communities with little or no such transportation. One of us doesn't drive due to a medical condition and the other is just older and wishes not to deal with the hassle that comes with automobile use.

We rely on TriMet almost solely for our local travel. I am astonished when I'm on the streetcar at how it seems as if the majority of people do not pay for their rides. They just walk right by the fare boxes without doing a thing.

We hope TriMet can overcome any funding difficulties it may be having.

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