

Wichita Transit



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Services and Programs



- **18 fixed bus routes**
- **18 ADA para-transit routes**
- **Access to Jobs for low-income individuals**
- **Rideshare program**
- **Q-Line trolley services to downtown**
- **Emergency service transportation in coordination with first responders – tornado/flood evacuations**

Snapshot of 2010

- There were 2,210,177 rides provided on fixed routes in 2010, a 1.8% increase in bus passenger trips
- Just under 50,000 Q-line trips were provided in 2010
- There were 343,124 para-transit rides provided in 2010
- Carrying over 1,000 bikes on bus racks a week and currently installing bike racks on the ground

New Initiatives

- **Wichita Transit recently worked with a KU graduate class to create a new vision for a regional system**
- **Wichita Transit is preparing to retain professional services to collect community input about transit**
- **Wichita Transit has received 5 new trolleys for downtown Q-line services and is looking at options to add another route downtown**
- **Wichita Transit is in the middle of implementing a new Intelligent Transportation System**

Transit Oriented Development

- **High-density, mixed use and residential development within a half mile of transit stops**
- **Make walking or bike paths leading to transit stops**
- **Minimize vehicle traffic by offering more transportation options – transit, bike, walking**
- **Create a sense of place**

Transit Oriented Development

- **The Downtown Master Plan (Project Downtown) advocates for Douglas Avenue to be transit oriented**
- **The Wichita Area Metropolitan Planning Organization will develop a study on Transit Oriented Development along Douglas Avenue in partnership with Wichita Transit and the Planning Department**

Complete Streets

- **A multi-modal approach to infrastructure improvements for transportation**
- **Street configuration and design aid in accommodating multiple modes in a safe and efficient manner**
- **Complete Streets include transit and pedestrian accommodations – benches, lighting, signage, signals, etc.**

Complete Streets

- Complete Streets designs can reduce the need for automobile capacity when roadways are extended or redone
- The Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2035 has a short-term goal of implementing complete streets to provide more transportation options
- Project Downtown calls for an emphasis on complete streets in order to make downtown accessible to the region and allow for more efficient intra-downtown trips