

New Freedom Transit

On February 16, 2009, Fort Bend Transit rolled out the first phase of a new transportation service for people with disabilities who live in the rural areas of Fort Bend County. Fort Bend Transit was awarded a "New Freedom" grant by the state to support new public transportation services and public transportation alternatives beyond those required by the Americans with Disabilities Act. (ADA) of 1990.

The first phase of the New Freedom program provides reserved bus services in the morning and afternoons, Monday through Saturday (excluding Fort Bend County holidays). Although there is a schedule, clients must call and make reservations for each trip.

Riders in need of assistance may be accompanied by one attendant at no charge. Later, the New Freedom program will also include bus stop monitors and rider attendants to assist the passengers who cannot travel independently. At that time, passengers will be advised that they can request assistance.

To access the service, **prior to their first use**, individuals or their guardians must register.

FORM IS ON THE INSIDE OF THIS BROCHURE.

Purpose of this registration is to demonstrate that the individuals accessing the new program are people with disabilities. The registration is a requirement of the New Freedom grant.

The transit fare is \$1.00 for EACH one-way trip.

**Exact change must be used.
No prepayment can be made.**



Register for your New Freedom Service

Hand-to-Hand Service

(assistance from one person to another)

Door-to-Door Service

(assistance needed with maneuverability)

Curbside Service

(independent ability to maneuver)

Enjoy New Freedom Public Transit

For Employment, Medical Needs, Education and
Community Involvement

*Experience New Freedom with no limits on
where you can travel in Fort Bend County with
options to travel beyond county lines utilizing
connecting transportation services.*

Fort Bend County New Freedom Transit

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**Fort Bend
County
Public Transit
for
People
with
Disabilities**

AS EASY AS 1,2,3

REGISTER

CONFIRM

RIDE



New Freedom Public Transit Registration Form

New Freedom Program funds are for the purpose of supporting increased public transportation services for people with disabilities and to facilitate the inclusion of people with disabilities into the workforce and the community. Information collected on this form will only be used for the purpose of documentation of services provided with New Freedom Funds.

Rider's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Date of Birth _____ Male ____ Female ____

Rider's Representative's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address _____

Home phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Indicate below the type of transportation service that will best accommodate this rider:

_____ **Service 1 - Curb No Assistance** - Rider is independent upon curbside departure of transit.
Independent ability to board/communicate and requires no assistance.

_____ **Service 2 - Curb w/Lift Assistance** - Rider is independent upon curbside departure of transit.
Independent ability maneuver / can load & exit transit w/minimal assistance.

_____ **Service 3 - Door-to-Door** - Rider is independent upon assistance to the door.
Needs assistance - may or may not need lift assistance.

_____ **Service 4 - Hand-to-Hand** - Rider is dependent on assistance.
Accompaniment from one individual provider/caregiver/companion to another.

Rider, or rider's representative, hereby certifies under penalty of perjury that the rider has a disability within the meaning of The Americans With Disabilities Act.

Signature of rider or rider's representative

date

Would you agree to participate in a survey about the New Freedom Transportation Program?

If so, please sign here: _____

(It is not necessary to participate in the survey in order to use the New Freedom Transportation Program.)

For more information contact 1-866-751-TRIP (8747) or 281-633-RIDE (7433)

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