



MOBILITY GUIDE

GO! VERMONT TRIP PLANNER

Cost: \$10,000 to start up & \$60,000 for ongoing maintenance.

Free trip planning that shows all available modes of travel (Bus, Vanpool, Carpool, Train, Ferry, Walk, or Bike).

From May 1, 2023 - April 30, 2024, Vermont had 109,305 recorded trips. In April 2024, there were 10,059 recorded trips.

Funding from FHWA Road and Bridge Funding (flexed funds).

www.connectingcommuters.org/travel-apps/trip-planner/

Passenger Transportation

PUBLIC TRANSIT PLANNING THROUGH GO! VERMONT

- Cost: \$10,000 to start up & \$15,000 for ongoing maintenance.
- Transit Royale: free to download and create an account for any Vermont resident.
- All public transit routes are available to search and ride.
- June 2024: 10,203 riders opened the transit app to search for a bus route.
- Funding from VTrans FTA 5311 Formula and State funding at a (50/50 share) to cover operation subsidy.

www.connectingcommuters.org/travel-apps/transit-bus-app/

MICROTRANSIT

- Cost: \$250,000 to start up and \$200,000 in capital; \$250,000 ongoing operating and \$50,000 ongoing maintenance costs.
- Public Transit Operators: Green Mountain Transit, Tri-Valley Transit, Southeast Vermont Transit, Green Mountain Community Network, Rural Community Transit. — Microtransit should connect well to existing fixed route public transit services.
- Serves Montpelier, Middlebury, Manchester, Morrisville, Windsor, Brattleboro. — Towns/villages with existing underperforming fixed-route public transit or towns/villages with no public transit and a large transit dependent population and/or destination (Example Hospital).

- Creates revenue through rider fare.
- Funding from VTrans FTA 5311 Formula and State funding at a (50/50 share).

UVM EMPLOYEE SHUTTLES

DOOR-TO-DOOR TRANSPORTATION

VPTA

- Statewide Mobility Management /Travel Training. www.vpta.net

Gopher

- Cost: \$317,810 to start up and \$235,258 in capital; \$157,523 ongoing operating and \$2,309 ongoing maintenance costs.
- Serves Washington County and neighboring towns in Orange County. — Part of the larger transportation ecosystem— subcontractor to Green Mountain Transit in Washington County, provides solutions to gaps that exist with current public transit options. — Service area contains two cities (Montpelier and Barre) and one large town (Waterbury). All other towns in the service area can be characterized as rural. — Pockets of poverty within service area: City of Barre (24.1% poverty rate), Waterbury (18% poverty rate), and Northfield (15.5% poverty rate).

For more transportation options, call Go! Vermont at 800-685-RIDE (7433).



DOOR-TO-DOOR TRANSPORTATION (continued)

- Aims to meet rural Vermonter's everyday transportation needs by providing convenient door-to-door rides to and from work, appointments, shopping, and social and recreational activities.
- The Mobility For All services are intended to provide subsidized rides for individuals that are low-income and have limited or no access to transportation.
- No fares for Mobility For All Trips. Market rate (\$10 booking fee + \$2.50/mile) is an option for folks who don't qualify for Mobility For All.
- Pilot program: 80% subsidized from Global: State of Vermont funding. Referring agencies are asked to assist with 20% matching funds to help sustain program.
- Further funding from State of Vermont public transportation program, foundation grants, individual donations, service contracts, and market-based rides.

www.gophervt.org/

Free Wheelin'

- Cost: \$33,000 to start up and \$50,000 for ongoing operation.
- Serves Mad River Valley (4 towns): Waitsfield, Warren, Fayston, and Moretown.
 - In 2022, provided 100 rides per month on average.
 - Seniors of the Valley members depend on them to get to and from medical appointments, social gatherings, grocery stores, the post office, beauty salon, and more. They are proud to be able to support seniors with this critical and free transportation service, as well as offering rides to non-senior Valley residents who don't have transportation.
 - All of Vermont, plus travel to Dartmouth-Hitchcock.
 - Complements existing dial-a-ride services in Washington County.
- Funding through donations from sponsors, users or the service, and the greater community. Ongoing funding from Mad River Valley Senior Citizens, Mad River Valley Community Fund, Mad River Valley Interfaith Council, donations, and grants.
- Free Wheelin' is operated by Mad River Seniors, a 501(c)3 Organization.

www.mrvfreewheelin.org/

Special Services Transportation Agency (SSTA)

- Founded in 1982.
- Many individuals have difficulty using conventional modes of transportation, such as cars and buses because of a physical or mental disability. For these people, SSTA's service may be the only transportation that they can use.
- SSTA currently has more than 50 vehicles in its fleet. Thirty are lift equipped for wheelchairs, providing an average of 600 to 700 rides per day.
- The organization currently employs over 70 full and part-time employees.
- Provides coordinated transportation service to many human service agencies. A few examples are the Visiting Nurse Association's Adult Day Programs, Champlain Senior Center (an important meal site for many of Burlington's older adults), Howard Community Health Services, and Age Well.
 - Complements existing dial-a-ride services in Chittenden County.
- The transportation SSTA provides clients an opportunity for social interaction, job training and employment, medical services, and therapy.
- Revenue from rider fare: punch card ticketing system, credit card, cash, money orders, and personal checks.
- Funding from rider fare, donations, Medicaid.

www.sstarides.org/

Neighborhood Connections

- Cost: \$220,000 to start up and \$80,000 in capital; \$153,000 ongoing operating and \$10,000 ongoing maintenance costs.
- Serves Andover, Chester, and Weston in Windsor County; Jamaica, Londonderry, and Windham in Windham County; and Landgrove, Peru, and Winhall in Bennington County.
 - Highly rural; majority demand-response single riders.
- Founded in 2021.
- Revenue from MTI; exploring O&D funding thru subcontract with SEVT; exploring private hospital & school contracts.
- Funding through AOT, Towns in Service Area, Private grantors, private donors.
- Resource for SEVT, AOT.

www.ncvermont.org

Go Green and Earn Rewards when you choose to Carpool, Vanpool, Bus, Bike or Telecommute.

JOIN TODAY! FREE, EASY & FUN

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