TRANSIT READY KIT



Tips for riding transit: What you need and why you need it.

Backpack



You need a place to store your things, and a backpack is practical for sitting, standing, and waiting at the bus stop or train station.

Protect yourself



Our local transit agencies do an amazing job keeping buses, trains, shelters, and transit centers clean and sanitized, but as an extra precaution, please carry a small bottle of hand sanitizer in your backpack.

Entertainment



A major perk of taking the bus or train is having time to do things on the ride, such as reading a book, listening to a podcast, or watching a film. So, don't forget your reading book, puzzle book, cell phone, electronic reader, etc. If listening to an electronic device, be kind to your neighbors and bring headphones.

Medications



If you take medications on a regular basis, carry them with you in a small plastic bag, zippered pouch, or pill box.

Transit/Fare Payment



Remember your transit fare card if your transit system uses one. Have it readily available to make hopping on and off your bus or train more convenient. If you do not have a transit or fare card, be sure to have the exact fare.

Navigation



Know your route. Load your provider's app or Google transit on your smart phone or carry a printed route map with you.

Personal Items



Personal items help make your ride a bit more comfortable. Remember to carry identification, extra cash, and a cell phone for emergencies. Other helpful items include a water bottle, tissues, lip balm, reading glasses, and jacket or sweater if the bus or train is too cold.

Outdoor Items



Riding transit includes walking to and from the stop or station. Wear a hat if it's sunny, carry sunscreen, remember your sunglasses, bring a small umbrella if rain is predicted, and wear comfortable shoes. Get those steps in and combine your transit experience with a little exercise.

Safety Items



Half the year, it gets dark early. Be safe and be seen by attaching something to your backpack that reflects headlights for the walk to and from your stop. Carry a small flashlight as well to light your way so you can see curbs and cracks or uneven sidewalks.



For more information, visit the Safe Mobility for Life Resource Center, where you will find free materials that help people continue to drive, ride, and walk safely, including: Tips on How to use Transportation Options in Florida – Public Transit.