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Blue Water Area Transit Fixed Routes

Now available on the  transit[®] mobile Application

PORT HURON, MI – AUGUST 7, 2024 – Blue Water Area Transit (BWATC) Fixed Routes are now available on the  transit[®] mobile app. BWATC passengers who utilize the Fixed Route system may use the free  transit[®] app to plan their trips and track buses in real-time. The app gives customers more independence, allowing them to see exactly where their bus is and estimates when their bus will reach their location. The app can also alert riders on when to leave to catch a bus and when fixed-route buses are experiencing service interruptions.

Blue Water Transit General Manager, Dave McElroy, said, “We are very excited that our passengers now have access to the information this app provides. Not knowing if you missed the bus is certainly stressful, and by utilizing the information this app provides, riders will have the information they need to make travel decisions. We hope it saves riders time and alleviates stress across the system.”

The mobile app is available for both iOS and Android operating systems. Passengers can find the  transit[®] app in the App Store and Google Play.



Help with how to use the Transit app can be found at [Transit Support \(https://help.transitapp.com/\)](https://help.transitapp.com/)

For more information on Blue Water Area Transit, visit our website at www.bwbus.com or call Dispatch at 810-987-7373, Option 2 at the voice prompt.

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About Blue Water Area Transit

Blue Water Area Transit continues the proud tradition of innovation that was started more than a century and a half ago by William Pitt Edison. The older brother of world-renowned inventor Thomas Alva Edison started a horse-pulled trolley service in 1866. After that, he switched to horse-pulled streetcars guided by rails along several local routes.

Port Huron became one of the nation's first communities to operate electrified trolleys in 1886 and then motor coaches in the late 1930s. After an eight-year hiatus ended in 1976, Blue Water Area Transit became the area's first publicly funded bus service. Since then, BWAT buses have carried more than 34 million rider trips.

Six days a week (Monday thru Saturday), BWAT provides ADA-compliant, ramp-equipped bus service. BWAT buses travel in 45-minute intervals along seven fixed routes in Port Huron and Fort Gratiot. Also, BWAT operates commuter service along an I-94 express route and an M-29 local route with stops in the cities of Marysville, St. Clair, Marine City, Algonac, Anchorville, and the townships of Clay and Ira. BWAT also provides dial-a-ride service in the townships of Burtchville, Port Huron, and Fort Gratiot as well as the city of Marysville.

BWAT started producing its own compressed natural gas in 1996 and ranked as Michigan's largest producer of the alternative fuel. The transit agency ran the state's largest fleet of natural gas-fueled buses for more than 20 years. It operates four public CNG fueling stations. Additionally, in 2021, BWAT became the first public transit agency in Michigan to operate 100% battery electric transit buses in its transportation fleet.

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