



LinkPlus

Checklist & Eligibility Application

Thank you for your interest in LinkPlus, Link Transit paratransit service.

LinkPlus operates the same days and hours as the regular fixed route buses and only provides service within $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from those routes. If you are unsure if your address is within the $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile service area, please call 509-662-1155.

If you are seeking eligibility for services, you must complete the entire application process required by the Americans with Disabilities Act, including

1. The Application form (extra documentation is required if someone other than applicant signs the form, listed on the next page)
2. The enclosed Informed Consent/Professional Verification Release form
3. A personal interview assessment.

If you have questions or need assistance completing the application form, please call 509-662-1155.

CHECKLIST & INSTRUCTIONS

All pages of the completed application must be returned at the same time. Before submitting the application form, please:

- Read the LinkPlus pamphlet included with the application form.
- Complete pages 1-7 of the application.
- Ensure the application form is signed on Page 6 by the Applicant. Please print clearly.
 - If you are under 18, your parent or Legal Guardian* is required to sign the application
- Ensure the "Informed Consent/Professional Verification Release" is completed and signed on page 7. It must designate at least one medical provider.

Any questions? Please contact Link Transit Guest Services at 509-662-1155.

*If Legal Guardian or Power of Attorney will be signing on your behalf, please provide the appropriate documentation.

NOTIFICATION

Once completed, send all pages of the completed application to us:

FAX: 509-664-4095 or

Mail/In-person: LinkTransit
Attn: Guest Services/LinkPlus
300 South Columbia
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Scan & Email: guestservices@linktransit.com

Upon receipt of your completed and signed application, a Guest Services Representative will contact you to set up a date and time for your Personal Interview with an Eligibility Specialist. You may be required to come in person to Columbia Station, 300 S. Columbia St., Wenatchee for your interview. We will make eligibility determinations *within 21 calendar days* from the completed interview and we will notify you by mail on how LinkPlus can assist you with your travel needs.

BASIC LINK TRANSIT INFORMATION

Guest Services phone: (509) 662-1155

Hours of Operation

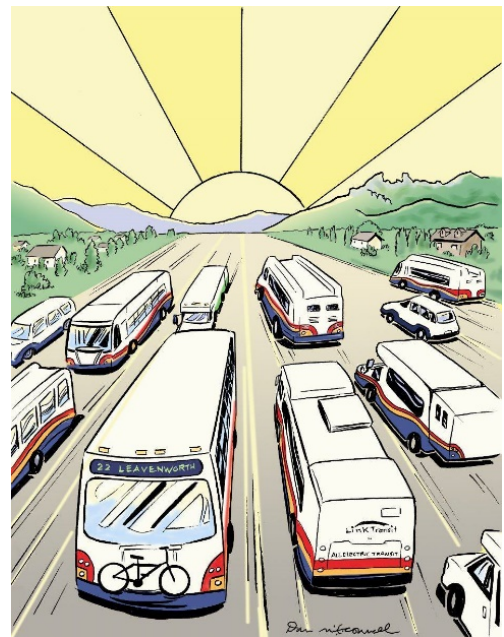
Monday – Friday: 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

More information & route schedules:

On line at www.linktransit.com/services



DID YOU KNOW?

Link Transit offers free training to learn how to ride the standard bus! Participation in travel training is not a basis to limit or deny your LinkPlus eligibility. Are you interested? Call for your personal Travel Trainer today at (509) 662-1155!

NEWLINKPLUS ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION

OFFICE USE ONLY:

ID NUMBER: _____ ADA: 1 3 T PCA Y/N Re-Cert to: _____ eCO__ FMP__

LinkPlus assures nondiscrimination in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Americans with Disabilities Act. For more information, visit

www.linktransit.com/more_about_link_transit/

All phone numbers are accessible for people who are deaf or hard of hearing through WA State Relay 711. To request alternative formats of this document, please call 509-662-1155.

Contact Information (Please print)

Last Name: _____ First Name _____ M.I. _____

Nick Name? _____ Date of Birth _____

Male Female Do you prefer English Spanish Other? _____

Street Address _____ Apt./Sp. # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

Email Address (optional) _____

What is your mailing address (if different from street address):

Mailing Address: _____ Apt./Sp. # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Emergency Contact:

Name: _____ Relationship _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

If we are unable to contact you, please list an alternate contact:

Alternate contact: (if different from Emergency Contact)

Name: _____ Relationship _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

By providing emergency/alternate numbers, you authorize Link transit or its representatives to contact the individuals listed regarding your paratransit service.

ABOUT YOU

1. Referencing the previous page or your list of medical diagnoses, what do you feel are the *top 3 conditions* that limit your mobility or ability to use public transit?

a. _____ b. _____ c. _____

2. Explain how you believe *each of the above* prevents you from riding the bus? (use Attachment A if needed)

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

3. Do your limitations change from time to time because of medical treatments, medications, or for other reasons?

No Yes, please describe (use Attachment A if needed)

4. Is your need for LinkPlus service long term or temporary?

Long term Temporary - How Long _____?

5. Is your memory affected due to your disability/limiting conditions?

No Yes If yes: Short term Long term

6. Do you currently ride the standard bus? No Yes Sometimes (If you checked

“Sometimes” please explain the circumstances in which you ride)

7. Have you ever ridden the standard bus without someone’s assistance?

No Yes If yes, how long ago _____

YOUR MOBILITY

8. Are you able to independently:

- Travel to and from a bus stop? Yes No
- Get on and off a ramp-equipped bus? Yes No
- Ask for, understand, and/or follow directions? Yes No
- Plan, understand, and follow through with the actions necessary to take a bus trip? Yes No

9. Which of the following mobility aides or equipment do you use when you leave your home? Check all that apply.

- | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> No aids | <input type="checkbox"/> Crutches | <input type="checkbox"/> Motorized scooter | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Motorized wheelchair | <input type="checkbox"/> Walker | <input type="checkbox"/> Manual wheelchair | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Support cane | <input type="checkbox"/> White cane | | |

More than one aid? Please describe the circumstances when you use each one.

Type of mobility aid

Purpose

If you use a wheelchair device or scooter, please list the make & model:

(If you are unsure, see Attachment C for assistance.)

10. LinkPlus may not be able to transport mobility aids that are larger than:

- 30+ inches in width
- 48+ inches in length
- 800lbs+ when occupied

Does your mobility aid exceed any of these measurements?

- No Yes, it does. Explain specifics.

If you use a motorized wheelchair or motorized scooter, skip to question 13.

11. When you walk outside your home, how far can you walk by yourself *or with* the use of a mobility aid such as a cane or walker?

Number of blocks _____ Less than 1 block Not at all

12. If you use a manual wheelchair, how far are you able to self-propel?

Number of blocks _____ Less than 1 block Not at all

13. If you use a motorized wheelchair or scooter, how far are you able to travel without someone to physically assist you?

Number of blocks _____ Less than 1 block Not at all

14. Some passengers need to have their feet elevated or their chair in a reclined position. Can your chair remain in an upright or sitting position with the feet down for the duration of the bus ride? Yes No, please explain:

15. Does your residence have an approved ramp and/or flat, smooth path to get from your door to the bus? Yes No it doesn't. Please explain:

16. If you qualify for LinkPlus services will you need to use the lift (in opposed to a ramp or steps) to board the bus? No Yes

Link Transit does not provide custodial care. Drivers may only provide assistance to and from the front door of a home or business as long as they can maintain line-of-sight of their vehicle and may only carry bags or packages not exceeding 25lbs in combined weigh. Persons requiring assistance while waiting, riding in a vehicle, or understanding may have a Personal Care Attendant (PCA) ride with them at no additional cost.

17. Will you need to bring a helper (Personal Care Assistant)?

No Yes Sometimes

Describe how your personal care attendant helps you?

18. **If there anything else about your disability/limiting condition that might help us better understand your travel abilities and limitations please use Attachment B.**

AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

By signing this application, you authorize the release of information to Link Transit or its representatives to evaluate your eligibility for LinkPlus service. Please be advised that we will use your statements to determine your eligibility for LinkPlus service.

Link Transit may share your eligibility determination with other transportation providers, upon request, to facilitate travel in other transit districts.

This form must be signed by the applicant or, if applicable, by the applicant's Legal Guardian. If the applicant is under 18 years of age, a parent or Legal Guardian must sign this form.

If a Legal Guardian will be signing this application the following attachments are required: Copies of current Letters of Guardianship and the Order Appointing Guardian document from the court.

I HEREBY CERTIFY under the penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of Washington that the information provided on this application is true and correct.

Signature (required): _____ **Date:** _____

Please check one. Applicant Legal Guardian Power of Attorney

Printed name: _____ Phone (____) _____

If a **Legal Guardian**, please attached documentation.

If **Power of Attorney** legal documentation is not required at this time. However, if needed copies may be requested.

ALTERNATE ASSISTANT (only if not acting as Guardian or POA)

If you are assisting or acting as the applicant's representative please complete the following, Please note, the **Applicant must still sign in the signature line above.**

Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Facility name if applicable: _____

Transit Evaluation Informed Consent/Professional Verification Release Form

Applicants Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ (Please print your legal name)

In order for Link Transit to complete the application process, it may be necessary to contact a physician or other professional to confirm the information you have provided. Please identify the professional **best able** to verify your functional ability to use transit services.

The following professional(s) is/are familiar with my disabilities: **please print**

Professional's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Provides treatment for: _____

Professional's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Provides treatment for: _____

Other: A friend, family member or care provider who you would want us to contact who is familiar with your need for Link Plus services.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Relationship: _____

"I certify that the information I provide in this evaluation is true and correct to the best of my ability and will be kept confidential and reviewed only by those performing the evaluation. I understand that Link Transit may need to contact the professional(s)/individual(s) identified above in order to assist in the determination of eligibility. I hereby authorize the above professionals/individuals to provide Link Transit with any information required to complete this application."

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date** _____
(Applicant signature required if no legal POA or Guardian.)

Guardian/POA Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
(Please attach a copy of Guardianship or POA documents)

Guardian/POA Name _____

Please Print

Relationship (if applicable) _____

Attachment B:

Name: _____ Date: _____

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MOBILITY AIDE CHEAT SHEET

If you need help determining what type of manual wheelchair, power wheelchair or power scooter you use **circle the picture that most looks like your device.** Then please **complete the answers on page 3.**

- *Manual Wheelchair that looks most like this: (Circle one)



- *Power Wheelchair that looks most like this: (Circle One)



- *Power Scooter that looks most like this: (Circle one)

