



TRANSIT ROUTE CHANGES

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As a result of resident compliance with the COVID-19 State of Emergency Declaration requiring residents to shelter in place, residents are respecting the order and are only leaving home for the necessities. Community-wide, roadways and the transit system ridership is down as residents stay home. To adapt to this reduction in service need, and the ability to safeguard transit employees from unnecessary contact to the extent possible while still preserving transportation access and the mobility needs of the public, it is necessary to change portions of the St. Joseph Transit service.

Effective Friday, March 27, St Joseph Transit will make the following change: Customers who previously rode buses 11, 12, 16, 17 and 18 will now be required to call 233.6700 for a deviation (curbside pickup). There will be no fixed routes in these areas. Hours of service will remain the same, however pickup times could be adjusted within that hour.

Routes 13, 14 and 15 will remain fixed routes with deviation as riders use them on a daily basis. These buses provide hourly service to Mosaic, Hy-Vee, AND each Walmart as well as most medical office complexes.

The map below illustrates the changes. Tan (15), purple (14) and blue (13) indicate areas that will not change. Salmon, green, beige, yellow and pink shaded areas indicate portions of the city previously served by fixed route which now requires a deviation. Call 233.6700 with questions or to schedule a ride. The extra route deviation charge will be waived within the designated zones for the duration of the emergency.

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