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Palm Tran Announces "The Link" New Route Deviation Service

Palm Tran, Palm Beach County's transit system, will launch "The Link," its new route deviation service, on February 11. Palm Tran will host a kick-off event on February 6 at 2 p.m. at the Caridad Center, 8645 W. Boynton Beach Blvd., Boynton Beach, where the Lime Link will be introduced.

The Lime Link is one of seven new Palm Tran routes serving residential and gated communities where fixed-route service is not available. The Lime Link begins at Nassau Square on Lake Worth Road and runs south on Lyons Road to the Caridad Center. The Caridad Center provides free medical and dental care to a large population of agricultural workers, laborers and the working poor of Palm Beach County through the dedicated work of more than 500 licensed professional and community volunteers.

The other six Links are:

- Blue Link that operates on Mondays along Okeechobee Blvd. and Haverhill Road to Northlake Blvd. and Military Trail
- Purple Link that operates on Tuesdays and runs along Atlantic Ave. to Boynton Beach Blvd. and Military Trail via Hagen Ranch Road
- Gold Link that operates on Tuesdays and runs along Southern Blvd. to Okeechobee Blvd. and Royal Palm Beach Blvd. via Crestwood Blvd.
- Orange Link that operates on Wednesdays and runs along Congress Ave. and Belvedere Road to Northpoint Center at 45th Street via Village Blvd. and Westgate Ave.
- Red Link that operates on Thursdays and runs along U.S. 1 to Indiantown Road, and Central Blvd. via Seabrook Road and Center Street
- Magenta Link that operates on Thursdays and runs along Yamato Road to the Boca Raton Tri-Rail station

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The Link will deviate to shopping locations, medical centers and Tri-Rail stations, and connects to existing Palm Tran routes, thereby serving areas where fixed-routes are currently unavailable. The routes will run Monday through Thursday with one to two routes in operation each day from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. The cost is 50 cents each way. All vehicles are ADA accessible.

The Link will deviate up to three-quarters of a mile from its planned routes for scheduled pick-ups and drop-offs and will have scheduled stops in addition to “flag down” locations along the route. Trips can be scheduled 72 hours in advance. The new service is fully funded by a grant from the Florida Department of Transportation.

“We are excited about the accessibility that The Link will give residents,” said Lili Agee, Marketing Manager for Palm Tran. “The Link is going to make people’s lives a lot easier.”

Palm Tran's mission, since its inception in 1973, is to provide efficient, safe and inexpensive public transportation for the people of Palm Beach County. For route maps, additional information or to schedule a pick-up, visit www.palmtran.org or call 561-649-9838.

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