

# Public Transportation – Veteran Transportation

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# Outline

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# Public Transit Services in ND

- 32 rural “demand response” providers
- 4 urban “fixed route” providers
- Open to the public → 3.2 million rides in 2013
- Wheelchair accessible vehicles
- Access to VA Hospital, CBOC’s, education, employment, etc.



[Souris Basin Transit \(Minot\)](#)



[Benson County Transportation \(Maddock\)](#)



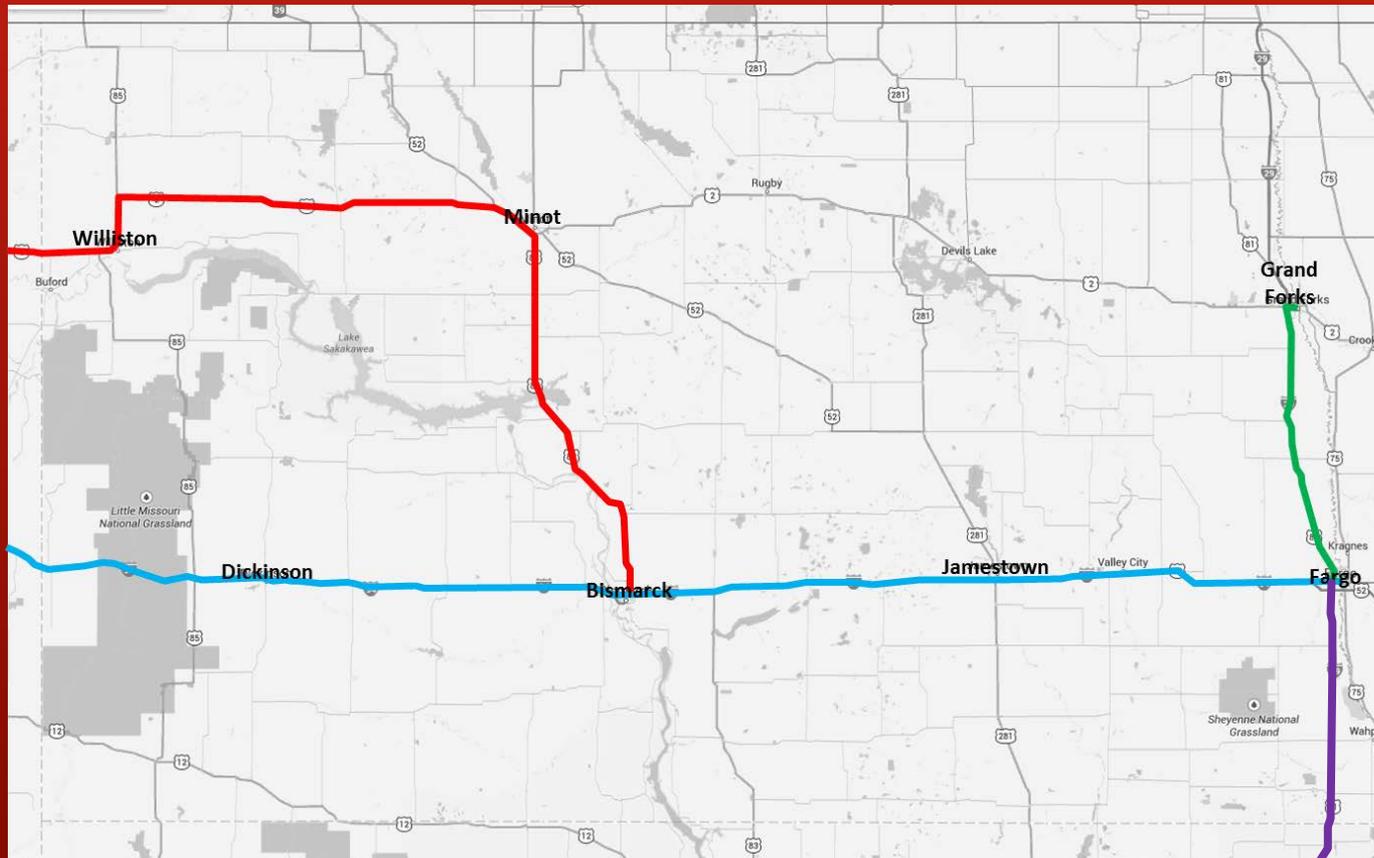
[MATBUS \(Fargo\)](#)

# Public Transit Services in ND

- 50% operating funded by Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
- Remaining 50% Local Match Requirement
- 80% capital funded by FTA / 20% Local Match
- [Standing Rock Public Transit Video](#)
- [Cities Area Transit Video](#)
- [MATBUS Video](#)
- [ND Department of Transportation - Transit Section](#)

# Private Transportation Options

- Jefferson Bus Lines ([www.jeffersonlines.com](http://www.jeffersonlines.com))
- Taxi Companies



# Information & Referral

- Involvement with local veteran service organizations
- Publishing websites and print materials
- Educating human service providers
- Statewide transit coordinator – point of contact

# Transit Coordination

- Working together to offer more travel options
- Connecting the public with needed transit services
- “One-Call/One-Click” Center
- Northeast ND Pilot Project
  - Cities Area Transit – Grand Forks
  - Pembina County Transportation – Drayton
  - Walsh County Public Transportation – Park River
  - Cavalier County Transit – Langdon
  - Devils Lake Transit – Devils Lake
  - Benson County Transit – Maddock

# VTCLI Grant Program

“The Veterans Transportation and Community Living Initiative (VTCLI) is an innovative, federally coordinated partnership that will make it easier for U.S. veterans, active service members, military families, and others to learn about and arrange for locally available transportation services that connect them with work, education, health care, and other vital services in their communities.”

- North Dakota awarded \$1.77 Million
- Computer-assisted scheduling and dispatch software
- Information, referral and coordination technology
- Marketing campaign

# NDDVA Transportation Grant

- Transportation for veterans in highly rural areas
- Access to local medical facilities
- Rides scheduled by County VSO's
- Fares billed to NDDVA office in Fargo

# Opportunities for Improvement

- Connections to DAV Transportation
- Overnight trips to the Fargo VAMC
- Streamlined fares, procedures, and expectations
- More

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