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## **Lane Transit District**

### **LTD Ridership Increases Two Years In A Row**

EUGENE, Ore. ---(September 10, 2024)--- For the second year in a row, Lane Transit District ridership has increased. In Fiscal Year 2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024), ridership increased by 6% from FY23. During FY23, ridership increased 20% from the previous year.

Total passenger boardings in FY24 were 6,295,676. In FY23, there were 5,955,728 boardings.

There are a number of factors that drove the higher numbers, including the success of LTD's effort [to recruit more bus operators](#). A stronger operator roster allows LTD to add more service, and more frequency makes the whole system more useable.

“Community members are choosing to use public transportation more often,” said Anni Katz, LTD's Public Information Officer. “This contributes to cleaner air, reduced traffic, and safer mobility for all.”

[According to the International Energy Agency](#), cars emit between 57 and 322 gCO<sub>2</sub>-eq/pkm—compared to buses at just 22-92 gCO<sub>2</sub>-eq/pkm. [Full buses emit 0.18 pound of CO<sub>2</sub> per passenger mile](#), making them comparable to rail. With the transportation sector responsible for over 30% of Oregon's overall greenhouse gas emissions, choosing to travel by bus, even one day a week, makes a big impact over time.

Complete [bus schedules](#) are available online. [LTD's Rider's Guide](#), with route maps and timetables, can be downloaded as a PDF. View LTD [service alerts](#) online, or follow @LaneTransit on [X \(Twitter\)](#). Umo, LTD's fare payment app, has several links to connect users to a [variety of transportation providers](#) in Lane County. LTD Umo app users can plan trips aboard with [PeaceHealth Rides](#), Link Lane, LTD Connector, Rhody Express, Diamond Express, plus get quick access to [LTD's Park & Ride locations](#).

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### **About Lane Transit District (LTD)**

Lane Transit District (LTD) is a special district of the State of Oregon led by a seven-member volunteer board of directors appointed by Oregon's governor. LTD's budget is funded through a combination of fares, taxes paid by local employers and employees, and from state and federal sources. LTD lives its mission to connect our community by delivering more than 5 million annual passenger boardings from 30 fixed bus routes and two EmX Bus Rapid Transit lines. LTD's paratransit service, RideSource, provides more than 250,000 trips annually for people with disabilities and Medicaid recipients. More information about LTD is at [www.LTD.org](http://www.LTD.org).