

Fares & Passes

FRED Fare Increases Go Into Effect July 1, 2009. Fredericksburg City Council and participating FRED jurisdictions have approved the first across-the-board FRED fare increase in its 12-year history. The increases are designed to generate additional revenues for FRED, which will be used to offset a greater portion of the system's expenses. Over 90% of FRED's expenses are covered by Federal and State grants and payments by FRED's local government partners (the City of Fredericksburg and the counties of Spotsylvania, Stafford, Caroline and King George) and contributions from other major partners (see the "Prepaid" list below).

Current FRED Fares and Passes

Rider	Fares	Monthly Pass
Adults -- Regular Service	50¢	\$25.00
Adults -- VRE Feeder	\$1.25	\$40.00
Children under 3 years	FREE	FREE
MediCorp Health System	Prepaid (Must Show ID)	
Univ. of Mary Washington	Prepaid (Must Show ID)	
Star Radio Group	Prepaid (Must Show ID)	
The Free Lance-Star	Prepaid (Must Show ID)	

Exact Fare is Required. FRED drivers cannot make change. Please have Exact Fare, Bus Pass, MediCorp Health System Identification, University of Mary Washington Identification or WFLS or Free Lance-Star Identification ready before boarding a bus.

VRE Feeder Service Fare Options. The one-way single fare for VRE feeder buses is \$1.25. You can also purchase a 4-ticket booklet for \$5.00 and a monthly pass for \$40.00. All payments must be in cash (exact fare only, please). Multiple ride tickets may be purchased from your driver or at FRED Central. You can also purchase monthly passes for VRE feeders using Smart Benefits Vouchers; Smart Benefits Vouchers can be redeemed at FRED Central and at the offices of the George Washington Regional Commission across from the train station on Princess Anne St. In addition, your monthly pass entitles you to ride all of FRED's other services at no additional charge.

Transfers

Each Boarding Costs 50¢. Transfers between FRED buses can be done at any point at which routes intersect, but are most easily done at our main transfer locations (see below). When transferring between buses, you will have to pay another 50¢. Your driver can help you to accomplish the transfer. For instance, should a driver be running a few minutes late, he or she may be able to radio ahead to request that your connecting bus wait for you. If you need assistance in making a transfer, please tell your driver as soon as you board the bus.

Transfer Locations

FRED's main transfer points include: FRED Central, Spotsylvania Towne Centre, Lee's Hill Center, the AMTRAK/VRE train station, Olde Forge Plaza, Bowling Green Community Services Center, Stafford Marketplace, Stafford Courthouse, and The Shops at King George.

Holiday Service

There is no FRED bus service on the following observed City holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. FRED will not operate VRE feeder service on days that the VRE does not operate (check www.vre.org for details).

Inclement Weather

During bad weather, please stay tuned to the local radio stations -- especially FRED Partner WFLS, 93.3 -- to find out if service will be offered that day or modified in any way, or visit www.rideFRED.com. If the City of Fredericksburg's government offices do not open, FRED will not run. Please call FRED Central at (540) 372-1222 and touch "0" to talk to staff or to hear our updated recording on the status of FRED service.