Sitka, Alaska
In the beginning...

Sitka Tribe of Alaska entered the Transportation in Tourism in 1994
1994-1995

- Request for Public Transportation for Tribal Citizens began..

- The First Contact for help was made to Community Transportation Association of America
1999 – Local Committee Begins...

- Tribal Organizations
- Businesses
- Schools & Universities
- Non-Profits Organizations
- City Officials
- Hospitals
1999

- **January** - CTAA Visits Sitka Transportation Committee

- **February** - Awarded CTAA USDA Rural Passenger Transportation Technical Assistant Grant

- **November** - Transportation Consultants Hired.
TRANSIT addresses local Needs & Problems

- Employee Transportation Needs
- Parking
- Family Transportation Needs
- Senior Citizen Transportation Needs
- Access to Health Care Services
- Quality of Life
- Limited Existing Transportation
Transit Impacts the following:

- Parking
- Employee Transportation
- Welfare to Work
- Visitor Transportation
- Family Transportation
- Senior Citizen Transportation
- Cultural and Spiritual
- Quality of life
- Airport & Ferry Services
- Limited Existing Service
- Lack of Coordination
2001- Funding Received

- JARC Funding from Congressional Earmark grant
  ~$360,000 Annual for three years

- Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority 5310
  Funding -- $100,000 Annual
Program Develops

- Local committee chooses Center for Community to administer grant funds
- CFC Hired Transit Coordinator.
  2002
- MAY 2002: Transportation Requests for Collaborative Bids were sent out in Sitka to existing transportation providers. (Three bidders.)
CFC Awarded FIXED ROUTE CONTRACT to Sitka Tribe of Alaska. STA bought 2 used transit buses to give RIDE an identity.

CFC awarded PARATRANSIT SERVICES award to Southeast Senior Services (Care-A-Van)
2003 Funding Received

- Received Grant from Rasmuson Foundation for Shelters
- Received 5310 Grant for New Buses
2004

- Receive 3-New Transit Buses

- Bus shelters to be built and placed
2006

- Sitka Tribe includes Sitka’s Public Transit System as a priority project for IRR funding
- Sitka Tribe applies for Tribal Transit Funding to expand transit routes
- CTAA funds LSC Consultant to completes report on transitioning from CFC to STA
- Sitka Transit Meets for Community Transit Needs
2007

- Sitka Tribe of Alaska uses funding from IRR to assist in Transportation Manager
- Sitka Tribe of Alaska is awarded funding to enhance and expand the existing services
- Sitka Tribe of Alaska is recognized government adopting human service public transportation plan.
Expansion Project One: Grew from 2 to 3 Fixed Routes.

- New GREEN line serves every $\frac{1}{2}$ hour, downtown and Island (medical, education, & residential emphasis)
- STARTED 11/26/2007 when Sitka Tribe implemented its new federal to tribe, Tribal Transit Grant.
- BLUE and RED lines extended to Whale Park and Ferry Terminal, with more stops in residential neighborhoods (& schools).
FARE STRUCTURE
Child = 6 - 17 Yrs
Adult = 18 - 59 Yrs
Senior = 60+ Yrs
Disabled = Any Age

One Way: Child $1 Adult $2 Senior/Disabled $3
Day Pass: $3 $5 $6
Month Pass: $25 $50 $55
12-Ride Pass: $10 $20 $10

FOR FARE INFO
Call 747-7103

THE RED LINE
HALIBUT POINT ROAD ROUTE

INBOUND
McDonald's Parking lot .30
Lake Side Grocery .33
Random House/Ennis' .39
Crescent Harbor/ALL LINE TRANSFER .45

OUTBOUND
Lake Side Grocery .49
Sitka Community Hospital/Cascade Street .58
Sitka High School/BLUE LINE TRANSFER .54
1112 Edgecombe Drive .57
Seamart Grocery .60
2306 HPR .03
2700 HPR/Sharon Drive .04
3318 HPR/Drain Drive .06
Across from HPR Rec .08
4792 HPR .07
Ferry Terminal .13

INBOUND
4377 HPR (Near Mini-Storage) .17
3403 HPR (Haven Way) .19
2713 HPR (Eagles Roost) .21
2219 HPR (Sandy Beach) .23
Seamart Grocery .27

THE BLUE LINE
SAWMILL CREEK BOULEVARD ROUTE

INBOUND
Price/Burkhart Streets .50
21211 Sewmill Creek (Cascade Laundry) .34
S.J. Daycare .36
National Park, Main Entrance (Lincoln St.) .38
Crescent Harbor/ALL LINE TRANSFER .45

OUTBOUND
Senior Center/Salvation Army .47
Monastery/Arrowhead Streets .49
Corner of A and Versatilla Streets .50
Sitka High School/RED LINE TRANSFER .54
State Building/Policing Department parking lot .57
SMC and Bierka Street .00
National Park, Sawmill Creek Road Entrance .02
Price/Burkhart Streets .06
Whole Park .17

INBOUND
Thimbleberry Trailhead .18
Anna Drive .22
1517 SMC - Arrowhead Transfer .26

* Buses will not operate on the following holidays in 2008:
  Tue, Jan 1st / Mon, May 26th / Fri, Jul 4th
  Mon, Sep 1st / Thu, Nov 20th / Thu, Dec 25th
Have Questions? Call the Community RIDE 747-7103 Mon-Fri, 8:30-4:00p

**THE GREEN LINE**
**DOWNTOWN/ISLAND ROUTE**

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**TO JAPONSKI ISLAND**
University of Alaska Southeast :49 and :19
SEARHC Hospital - Main Entrance :54 and :25

**TO TOWN**
Seal Cove/Japonski Island Bridge :57 and :28

**SINGLE-RIDE TICKETS & DAILY PASSES are SOLD ON BUSES**
**MONTHLY BUS PASSES** & Punch Cards for 12 or 24 Trips **MAY BE PURCHASED AT:**

**Sitka Tribal Enterprises**
204 Katlian Street
Mon-Fri, 8:30a-4:30p

**Old Harbor Books**
201 Lincoln Street
Mon-Sat, 10:00a-6:00p

**Bear Country Gifts**
401 Lincoln Street
Mon-Sat, 9:00a-6:00p

**Seamart**
1867 Hallbut Point Road
Sun-Sat, 7:00a-11:00p

**BUS SCHEDULE**
Monday - Friday* 6:30a - 6:30p

**RIDE HOTLINE:** 747-7103 Mon-Fri, 8:30a-4:00p

**ALL BUSES ARE WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE**

*Paratransit Services*
Provided by Swan Lake Senior Center through Community Ride

Paratransit services for seniors age 60 and older and individuals with disabilities. You are eligible if you are age 60 or older. If you are under 60 but need assistance due to a permanent or temporary disability, please provide a document from a physician attesting to your disability.

**Paratransit Fare Structure:**
- Under 60 Years: $2/one way & $4/round trip
- Seniors 60+: Free

**Paratransit Hours of Operation:**
Monday through Friday, 6:30am to 8:00pm
Saturday and Sunday by reservation only

To Request a Paratransit Ride CALL: 747-8617
Monday-Friday, 8:00am-4:00pm

Sitka RIDE can take you where you want to go in Sitka, shopping, to the doctor, or to visit a friend.

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FIXED ROUTE RIDES PER DAY (one way)

- FIXED ROUTES: started in 2002 at 50 a day.
- March 2008: 110 rides per day.
- FREE RIDES April 21 - May 30
- April 2008: 124 rides per day.
- May 2008: 225 rides per day.
- PARATRANSIT = 59 rides per day.
Current CONTRIBUTORS for operational funds (~$938,000)

- Center for Community (federal and State Transit grants)-$425,000
- Sitka Tribe of Alaska—several federal & tribal sources- $305,000
- Catholic Community Services—several grant/Medicaid sources-~$140,000
- City & Borough of Sitka-to Swan Lake-$28,000
- Fares from riders- $40,000
Value of Transit Operating Dollars to Sitka

- Federal Transit Administration - federal gas tax $ to Sitka
- Jobs---13 FTE’s
- Mobility
- Opportunities
- “Green” impact--reduce congestion parking/streets
- Intermodal links -- needed for paving grant at Sawmill Industrial Park
CAPITAL INVENTORY

- 10 Passenger Shelters (Rasmuson Grant)
- 4 Blue RIDE Buses (State grants to CFC)
- 3 Care-A-Van buses (State grants to Southeast Senior Services)
- $345,000 congressional earmark to Sitka Tribe for “public transit needs” — Will purchase 3 new buses, truck for snow removal
- Vans at SCAPS & Youth Advocates of Sitka (state grants)
CAPITAL OPPORTUNITIES

- New Capital Project, of STA with assist from Community Transportation Association of America ("CTAA")
- Planning for building a Public Transit Facility
- City Transit Grant to Pave Industrial Park
Future Expansion Project TWO

- Would add EVENING HOURS, Monday–Friday to the three fixed routes (Red, Blue & Green)

- IF funding is found.
Future Expansion Project
THREE

- Would add Saturday services on three fixed routes (Red, Blue & Green)
- IF funding is found.