

TRANSPOR PIBLIK GRATIS

ENN ALTERNATIV!

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EK VYAB!**

SEKIRITE ALIMANTER EK ENERZETIK enn refleksyon

Rezistans ek Alternativ

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ENN LOT LEMOND POSIB

**Enn Lot Politik
Enerzetik Posib !**

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Rapel:

- TU DIMUNN ENA DRWA SIRKILE AN TUT LIBERTE SAN OKENN TRAKA LAMONE
- TU TRANSPOR FORM PARTI DRWA SOSYAL INIVERSEL

**KI BENEFIS SOSYAL
ek
ANVIRONNMENTAL
ENN
SISTEM TRANSPOR
PIBLIK ek GRATIS?**

- ◆ Li pu diminye emisyon gaz ki afekte lanvironman
- ◆ Li pu diminye polisyon ler ek lafime dan latmosfer

- ◆ Li pu diminye resofman later ek lezot matir ki poliye dilo, later, ek lamer
- ◆ Li pu diminye Konzasyon larut
- ◆ Li pu diminye konsumasyon delwil, lesans, petrol, gaz ek diezel
- ◆ Li pu diminye salte parski pena tiket bis ek pa pu bizin pey kas pu inprim tiket
- ◆ Li fer sov pye parski pye pa pu servi pu inprim tiket bis
- ◆ Avek transpor piblik gratis nu simin pu pli lib pu lanbulans ek ponpye pase pu sov lavi dimunn
- ◆ Li pu diminye depans milyon lor ranz loturut, simen ek parking ki pa sosyalman nesaser
- ◆ Pu fer plis egalite dan alokasyon sibsidi ki lasosyete done a loto prive ek par rapor avek pasaze ki servi bis
- ◆ Li pu diminye nesosite dimunn pu aste enn loto
- ◆ Kan lanvironnman pli bon, li ankuraz enn turism pli ekolojik vinn dan Moris/Rodrig
- ◆ Kan ena mwins loto, li pu osi diminye sarye loto lor gran bato.
- ◆ Seki a-son tur pu diminye konsumasyon prodwi petrolye.
- ◆ Li pu kontribiye buku pu lekonomi lokal, gard deviz ek larzan dan pei
- ◆ Li permet plis sekirite dan bis parski pena kas.
- ◆ Li amelyor lanvironnman travay parski pu ena mwins dispit lor tiket bis ant kontroler ek pasaze.
- ◆ Pa pu ena purswit lor pasaze lor tiket bis parski li pu eliminann tu payman
- ◆ Transpor Piblik Gratis reponn osi a aspirasyon istorik pu sosyalism ki anrasine dan lalit lepep Moris. Lepep Moris farusman atase avek enn bon sistem sosyal kuma ledikasyon gratis ek lasante gratis

DEZA ENN BON PARTI TRANSPOR GRATIS

- Transpor deza gratis pu zanfan anba 3 an.
- Transpor deza gratis pu dimunn lao 60 (132,434 dimunn) ninport ki ler ek ninport ki traze
- Transpor deza gratis pu dimunn otreman kapab (26,351)
- Transpor deza gratis pu etidyan al lekol ek return lakaz (enn drwa pu transpor gratis etidyan lor ninport ki traze nunn perdi avek kominike NTA ek apre guvernman legaliz sa kominike la). 282010 etidyan
- Transpor deza gratis pu travayer al travay ek return lakaz. Dapre provizyon lalwa travay patron bizin donn traveling a travayer pu bis ale retur ubyin enn mwayen transpor gratis pu al travay ek return lakaz.

KUMA PU FINANSE?

- ➔ Rs 792 milyon pu Transpor gratis pu vye dimunn, dimunn otreman kapab ek etidyan.
- ➔ Rs 700 milyon atraver Bus Recovery Account
- ➔ Rs 500 milyon Government Travelling Contribution kuma enn Anplwayer (Transport Payrol Contribution)
- ➔ Rs 2 milyar Employer Travelling Contribution ki ramase atraver NPS (Transport Payroll Contribution)

TOTAL FINANS – Rs 3.992 milyar

- ★ Pli tipti tariff adilt bis ale retur Rs 16 (8+8)
- ★ Patron kontribiye pu 367,200 travayer dan NPS
- ★ Depans lor pli tipti traveling pu al travay ek return lakaz par an li Rs1,833 milyar (367,200 x 26 zur x 12 mwa x Rs 16)
- ★ Desam 2007 ti ena 1895 bis ki oper lor larut avek payman individyel tiket bis
- ★ 2004/2005 CNT ti ena 520 bis. Reveni CNT ti Rs500 milyon. Preske enn milyon par bis. Desam 2007 CNT ti ena 523
- ★ Si an 2004/2005 ti rul 2560 ki ti deza ena dan Moris pa ti pu kut plis ki Rs Rs2,56 milyar.
- ★ Zordi reveni Rs 3,992 milyar propoze avan li ase pu rul tu bis gratis dan Moris

KI INPLIKASYON TRANSPOR PIBLIK GRATIS?

- Li vèdir ki bizin enn organism nasyonal piblik ki responsab provizyon transpor pu piblik
- Li pa eksklir posibilite lezot mod transpor pli kolektiv, si li ekonomikman ek sosyalman vyab.
- Li bizin anmarz ansam avek enn nuvo politik lanrezistremans loto

KESTYON FONDAMANTAL KI OSI POZE, SE:

- Eski kapav adres kekyon enerjetik ek transpor dan kad neo-liberalism aktyel?
- Eski enn nuvo politik enerjetik ek transpor nasyonal pa inplik remiz an kekyon lozik kapitalism ki zordi inkarne par ideoloji neo-liberalist?

KOT ENA TRANSPOR GRATIS?

- Ena buku plas dan lemond kot ena transpor piblik gratis antye
- Enn de plas renome kot finn ena transpor piblik gratis antye se Hasselt, Belgique depi 1 Ziyet 1997.

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A Canadian publication, The Tyee says free public transport could work and help the environment in a big way. Public transportation can be covered by taxes, which only adds a little compared to enormous environmental benefits it brings.

The Tyee, a Canadian publication, says instead of charging more for public transportation, giving way free rides, offers plenty of environmental benefits. There might be a small increase in taxes which would be hardly noticeable compared to the savings gained by the public by not using their own vehicles. There won't be any tickets to print, and fewer staff would be required.

The main environmental benefits of free public transport are the following:

- Reduces greenhouse gas emissions with lesser cars and vehicles
- Reduction in air pollution and smog
- Reduction in noise pollution and congestion
- Reduction in overall consumption of oil and petrol/diesel
- Reduces litter with free tickets, no printing costs
- Saves trees from printing additional tickets
- Reduces spending billions on highways and roads
- Reduces spending on parking spaces especially in cramped cities

And there are more benefits you can find [here](#).

Why Fare-Free Transit?

Perhaps the skeptic in you is saying: without fares, public transit would run out of money and break down. Or you worry that a free ride would attract riff-raff threatening other passengers' safety and comfort. Or you doubt that sober, number crunching officials would ever take the idea seriously.

By the time you are done reading this series, I will have shared real life examples and expert findings to counter all those concerns.

Fare-free transit brings many benefits, some of which include:

1. a barrier-free transportation option to *every* member of the community (no more worries about exact change, expiring transfers, or embarrassment about how to pay)
2. eliminating a "toll" from a mode of transportation that we as a society want to be used (transit is often the only way of getting around that charges a toll)
3. reducing the inequity between the subsidies given to private motorized vehicle users and public transport users
4. reducing, and in some cases eliminating, the need for private motorized vehicle parking
5. reducing greenhouse gas emissions, other air pollutants, noise pollution (especially with electric trolleys), and run-off of toxic chemicals into fresh water supplies and ocean environments

6. reducing overall consumption of oil and gasoline
7. eliminating the perceived need to spend billions on roads and highways (now up to \$7 billion for the proposed Gateway Project in Vancouver)
8. eliminating the perceived need to spend billions on bigger car-carrying ferries (\$2.5 billion for BC Ferries' new super-sized boats and ramps)
9. contributing significantly to the local economy by keeping our money in our communities
10. reducing litter (in Vancouver, the newer transfers/receipts have overtaken fast food packaging for most common garbage found on our streets)
11. saving trees by eliminating the need to print transfers and tickets
12. allowing all bus doors to be used to load passengers, making service faster and more efficient
13. allowing operators (drivers) to focus on driving safely
14. giving operators more time to answer questions
15. providing operators a safer work environment since fare disputes are eliminated
16. eliminating fare evasion and the criminalization of transit-using citizens
17. fostering more public pride in shared, community resources

Pampered cars

If it's hard economic arguments you prefer, bear in mind that making use of free public transit eliminates the significant costs of fare collection and combating fare evasion (more on this later in the series). It also cuts costs associated with global warming, air and noise pollution, litter collection and garbage removal.

As our own premier [trumpets a green agenda](#), more people are taking a hard look at just how many of their tax dollars subsidize the private car versus less polluting buses and trains. You have to figure in roads, parking and other infrastructure, tax breaks for car and fuel companies, as well as subsidies for car ferries throughout the province and federal income tax reductions and write-offs for companies that use motor vehicles.

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List of towns and cities with area-wide zero-fare transport

Town/City	Population	Operator	notes
Cache Valley, Utah			since 2000
Camano Island, Washington State		Island Transit (Washington)	since 1987
Chapel Hill, Carrboro, and UNC-Chapel Hill, North Carolina	70,000+	Chapel Hill Transit	Operated by the Town of Chapel Hill to serve Chapel Hill, Carrboro, and UNC-Chapel Hill; supported by taxpayers and University fee-payers. The system has been fare-free since 2002.
Châteauroux, France			
Clemson, South Carolina		Clemson Area Transit	partnership between Clemson University and surrounding communities
Commerce, California			
Compiègne, France			since 1990s
Coral Gables, Florida			
Hasselt, Belgium		H-lijn	since July 1, 1997; 1300% ridership
Logan, Utah			since 1992
Lübben, Germany			influenced by Hasselt
Mariehamn, Finland			in addition to free bus services, persons and bicycles travel free of charge with the archipelago ferries (you pay a fee for motorcycles, cars, caravans and other vehicles).
Maui County, Hawaii		Maui Bus	Only on the Kahului and Wailuku Loop, plus the Lahaina Villager Routes. ^[3]
Nova Gorica, Slovenia			since April 2006.
Övertorneå, Sweden			even 70 km free rides on local buses in this rural community
Türi, Estonia			
Vail, Colorado			over 20 hours of service every day during Winter
Vitré, France			since spring 2001.
Whidbey Island, Washington State		Island Transit (Washington)	since 1987

Examples of limited zero-fare transport

- [Adelaide, Australia](#) has free travel on the [Glenelg tram](#) within the CBD (^[2]) as well as a free bi-directional loop route 99C (City Loop) in the CBD. (^[3])
- [Ann Arbor, Michigan](#) — free bus services between University of Michigan campuses and student housing. Also, AATA runs a service called "[the Link](#)" which runs around the downtown and campus area and is currently free (for everyone) to ride. Note that most large universities provide a similar kind of bus service. While individual rides are "free," typically students pay a transportation service fee as part of their tuition and fee charges.
- [Auckland, New Zealand](#) — a free CBD loop service links the ferry terminus, railway station, universities, theatres, casino, galleries and shopping districts using hybrid electric buses.
- [Austin, Texas](#) - free bus service (under citywide bus system [Capital Metropolitan Transportation Authority](#)) is provided between the University of Texas campus and student housing, downtown trolley buses are free as well. "Ozone Action Days" were once offered to encourage more car owners to ride the bus and combat high levels of ozone pollution on a given day, but this Capital Metro has discontinued this service.
- [Brisbane, Australia](#) has free bus trips around "The Loop" in the CBD on two routes mirroring each other, varying only because of Brisbane's one-way street grid.
- [Calgary, Canada](#) - Free light rail transit within the downtown core.

- [Charlottesville, Virginia](#) - A free motorized trolley links the campus of the [University of Virginia](#) to the downtown area.
- [Christchurch, New Zealand](#) - The Shuttle is a zero-fare shuttle service in the inner city.
- [Denver, Colorado](#) — Free 16th Street Mall shuttle bus downtown
- [Dordrecht](#) — bus and ferry, some Saturdays at the end of each year
- [Ghent](#) — free night bus services (weekends only)
- [Halifax, Nova Scotia](#) - free bus route around the downtown area
- [Huddersfield, England](#) - Free Townbus daytime bus services in town centre

[Illinois](#) - All public transportation in Illinois is free to people over the age of 65 provided they have a card issued by the state. The card is free and will allow any senior free rides on all public transportation in the state. Passengers over 65 without the card must pay a reduced fare on public transit

- [Invercargill, New Zealand](#):
 - **The Freebie**— a zero-fare loop service in the inner city.[4]
 - The **Purple Circle** a free suburban bus circuit[5].
 - All other suburban bus services operate zero-fare between 9.00am and 2.30pm daily[5]
- [Ipswich, England](#) — A free shuttle bus service runs on a circular route around the town centre linking the site of the former County Council head-quarters to the replacement building.[6]
- [Leeds, England](#) - Free Citybus daytime bus services in city centre
- [Manchester, England](#) — Free "Metroshuttle" daytime bus services in city centre with three different routes.
- [Manly, New South Wales](#), Australia - Four routes of free "Hop, Skip & Jump" minibus services throughout the municipality. [7]
- [Marousi](#), a wealthy northern suburb in [Athens, Greece](#) has small municipal bus shuttles (of red colour) which can be used for free by anyone.
- [Melbourne](#) in [Australia](#) has a free tram around the city center, and a free bus to popular tourist attractions. Both of these connect to other public transport. Free public transport is sometimes offered on major holidays such as Christmas and New Years Eve.
- [Miami, Florida](#) – [Miami Metromover](#) is a free [people mover](#) in [Downtown Miami](#).
- [Mountain Village, Colorado](#) Free cable car to Telluride and shuttle bus.[8]
- [New York City, USA](#):
 - The [Staten Island Railway](#) is free of charge to riders originating or terminating at stations other than [St. George](#) or [Ballpark](#).
 - The [Airtrain](#) at [JFK Airport](#) is free within the terminal loop, but requires a fare at the Jamaica and Howard Beach stations.
- [Noordwijk/Oegstgeest](#) — [Leiden](#) Transferium — [The Hague](#), express bus, running on weekdays during daytime, free of charge as a test during 2004; it was intended for commuters working in The Hague and living in Leiden or beyond who would otherwise travel by car to the Hague, to promote parking at the Transferium and continuing the journey by bus; the aim was to reduce road [traffic congestion](#) between Leiden and The Hague. The test was paid by the province of [South Holland](#). It was discontinued in 2005.
- [Perth, Western Australia](#) has free bus and train trips around the city centre (the "Free Transit Zone"), including three high-frequency [Central Area Transit](#) (CAT) bus loops. This is also in Fremantle and recently added in Joondalup.
- [Pittsburgh, PA](#), [Seattle, Washington](#) (the "Ride Free Area") and [Calgary, Alberta](#) (the "7th Avenue Free Fare Zone") offer free public transit within their downtown areas.
- [Portland, Oregon](#) — All streetcar, light rail, and bus trips are free within "[Fareless Square](#)"[4], a 330 square-block zone, encompassing most of downtown Portland.
- [Reading, Berkshire, England](#) — Free shuttle between [Reading railway station](#) and [Thames Valley Park](#)[9]
- Renesse (mun. [Schouwen-Duiveland](#)), [Netherlands](#) — free bus services in the area (in summer only)
- [Seattle, Washington](#) — Metro Transit buses are free from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. in Downtown Seattle. [10]
- [State College, Pennsylvania](#) — [CATA](#) runs four routes that offer bus service between the [Penn State](#) campus and downtown [State College](#), an addition to four regional service routes that do not

charge fare if they are only traveling across campus.

- [Sydney](#) in [Australia](#) also offers occasional free public transport travel to and from events at particular times, notably New Years Eve celebrations in Sydney CBD, or to ANZAC War Memorial Services for veterans. The rationale is a mix of traffic reduction and cultural recognition. During the two weeks of the 2000 Olympic Games all public transport was free if you had an admission ticket, however everyone ended up traveling free because the normal ticketing system was abandoned.
- [Tarbes](#) in [France](#) offers a year-long free shuttle bus around the city, linking the main spots.
- [Wakefield, England](#) - Free Citybus daytime bus services in city centre
- Tirumalai,India[Tirupathi] - Free buses run by Temple authority to visit the nearby religious centres on the top of the hill.

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