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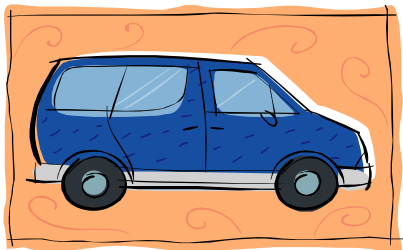
The VTN is not a low-cost taxi service for anyone to use at any time.

We support our local private taxi providers and are not an alternative.

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Remember you must be
“registered to ride!”

Call:
250-956-3151
250-956-3152 (fax)
email: VTN@recn.ca



Our service is underway!

We are actively providing rides in the Fort Rupert, Port Hardy and Port McNeill areas. Recruitment and training of the volunteer drivers for Sointula is underway with service beginning mid-February '08.

Alert Bay drivers training will be announced as soon as our 'partner' meetings are completed.

VTN CONTACT INFO

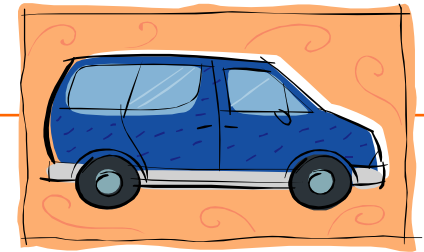
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Volunteer Transportation Network



Serving the North Island

'Community to Community'

Your *local* transportation network

Under the Umbrella of....

North Island Community Services Society

A non-profit community services society serving the Mount Waddington regional district from Pt. McNeill for over 25 years.

Volunteer Transportation Network

The purpose of the VTN is to help enhance the quality of life, contribute to the whole health and greater independence for individuals and families as a ***part of the overall transit strategy*** for the region.

We will provide transportation services, *within the Regional District of Mount Waddington only*, where there is *no other alternative* available for that purpose.

We wish to do this in a safe, reliable and timely fashion as requested by the clients of the service.

Volunteer drivers

will provide all transportation to and from the scheduled destination. Rides will be co-ordinated through a local or toll-free phone number, or via email.

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VTN will integrate with future planned transportation options and has been developed thus far with the support of:

North Island Community Services Society
Regional District of Mt. Waddington
Union of BC Municipalities
Vancouver Island Health Authority
BC Ambulance Service
Royal Canadian Mounted Police
Orca Sand & Gravel

What can the VTN be used for?

A basic premise for our volunteer service is to provide access to a variety of services and events that are not available in every community, but are available within the Regional District of Mount Waddington. Examples of these are, but are not limited to:

Medical/ dental appointments
Visits to relatives/friends in care facilities
Attend prenatal or parental instruction classes
Enhance educational opportunities
Access government or social service agencies, or banking facilities
Become involved with community social and recreational facilities
Attend important provincial court proceedings
Shop for groceries, prescription and other necessities not available in the residents own community; home delivery of prescriptions, groceries or prepared foods.

Attend interviews, training and employment related appointments

The VTN strives to be a flexible and learning organization. Listening to the transportation concerns of individuals and families in the Mount Waddington region will help us respond quickly.

Who can use the VTN, and what is the cost?

Once a client has registered with the VTN Service Desk, either from a “referral source”, or as an individual, they can use the service, subject to the following conditions:

Anyone who is resident within the boundaries of Mount Waddington Regional District on Vancouver Island

Anyone who either does not own, or have any access to, a means of transportation

Anyone who has a physical infirmity or disability, either permanent or temporary, and who cannot drive or has no alternative transportation available

Anyone who is referred to the service from a “referral source”

Our desire is to serve the communities in the best, most cost effective method.

In order to do this, the VTN will operate on a fee-for-service basis, where either the "referral source" will pay for the trip, or the client or family will be asked for a donation.

The Society will also seek ongoing donations from individuals, businesses, groups and other funding sources in order to keep the service operating.

ASK HOW YOU CAN BE A VOLUNTEER DRIVER!

Can I help now?

The VTN telephone number is (250) 956-3151.
Our email address is VTN@recn.ca We are looking for volunteer drivers and donations. A tax receipt will be issued for any donation over \$10.00