

TRAVEL TRAINING INSTRUCTION

Learning to use public transit services promotes independence for people with disabilities. Through travel training, people with disabilities gain life experiences, and become increasingly self-sufficient, with the confidence to pursue an independent lifestyle.

R&D Transportation Services offers two types of service, a Community Travel Training Program where a travel trainer directly teaches a trainee and a group training program for people who want to learn how to instruct those who need training.

By switching from private to public transportation, the individual benefits in the following ways:

- Increased Self-Esteem
- Increased Self-Assurance
- Broadened Job and Social Options
- Increased Self-Reliance

Travel Training opens doors to new opportunities through greater mobility.

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TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS FOR TRANSITIONAL AGE STUDENTS



**Travel References
For Persons With Disabilities**

ACCESS ~ FREEDOM ~ PARITY

The Spirit of Independence



FIXED ROUTE

A fixed route transportation system is one that operates along a prescribed route according to a fixed schedule. Fixed route systems typically include: commuter and over-the-road bus systems, subway, light rail systems and intercity rail.



PARATRANSIT

Paratransit services provide Americans with Disabilities mandated paratransit services for eligible people who are unable to use public fixed route transportation systems. Paratransit is a shared ride, curb-to-curb service.

DEMAND RESPONSIVE

Demand responsive transportation typically includes taxis, limousine services, van services, and shuttle bus systems.

TRAVEL TRAINING

Travel Training teaches seniors and individuals with various disabilities to use public transportation safely and independently in their communities. Travel Trainers give “the gift of freedom” to their students, young or old.



The National Center on Secondary Education and Transition (NCSET)

NCSET coordinates national resources, offers technical assistance, and disseminates information related to secondary education and transition for youth with disabilities in order to create opportunities for youth to achieve successful futures.



The Spirit of Independence

An awareness of traveling options and how to use them to benefit individuals, their families and society at large.

Access transportation systems to travel to and from work, school, or to socialize with family and friends.

Safely enjoy your community and all that it has to offer.

Save money and preserve our environment by traveling in groups or commuting via public transportation. It cuts down on the use of fossil fuels, air and noise pollution.

ONLINE RESOURCES

The National Paratransit Directory provides a national database of both taxi and paratransit services
www.1800taxicab.com/paratransit.htm

Easter Seals

Easter Seals Project ACTION
www.projectaction.org
1-800-659-6428

American Public Transportation Association

www.publictransportation.org/systems
1-202-496-4800

Association for Travel Training

www.travelinstruction.org

National Center on Secondary Education and Transition

www.ncset.org
1-612-624-2097

U.S. Department of Transportation

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