

Valparaiso Resumes and Revises Transit

The City of Valparaiso has announced that it will resume bus services to Chicago and the South Shore Line and maintain routes on its intracity V-Line as it works to restore services that had been suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic. “We’re pleased to do our part in helping people resume their lives following the height of the pandemic, and we’re taking steps to keep our riders and drivers safe as they move ahead,” said Beth Shrader, Valpo’s Planning and Transit Director. “In addition, we’re pleased to be offering all of our transit services at no cost to riders through July 1, 2020.”

Here are the details for Valpo’s transit services, beginning June 1:

- ChicaGo Dash Express Bus to Chicago will resume on June 1 offering two buses, with a maximum capacity of 25 per bus to allow for social distancing. As ridership increases, additional routes will be added to resume the service which formerly included five buses to and from Chicago daily.
- Chicago Dash routes will depart Valparaiso from 260 Brown St. at 6:00 am and 7:00 am. Departures from Chicago will start from Michigan and Randolph at 4:30 pm and 5:30 pm. Additional routes will be added as capacity increases, based on majority rider-requested times. Email DLorntzen@valpo.us for requested departure times.
- Transit Connect shuttle service to the South Shore Line’s Dune Park Station will also resume on June 1, providing service six times daily (including weekends) to coincide with South Shore service.
- V-Line intracity buses will continue to run its yellow, green and brown routes on the normal schedule, but suspend purple, red and orange routes indefinitely. Beginning June 1, yellow and green routes will add service on Sundays, from 9:15 am to 5:15 pm.

All Valpo Transit drivers will be wearing face masks and riders are encouraged to also wear masks. The City will offer masks to riders on the buses at no charge. For schedules and real-time updates, visit ValpoTransit.com. Questions may be submitted to Transit Manager Don Lorntzen at DLorntzen@valpo.us.