

# PINELLAS COUNTY TRANSIT SERVICES

be at least 30% service connected disabled, legally blind or below poverty level.

- Fleet Department (727) 938-6661, ext. 12158 or 12168 service for appointments at Bay Pines VAMC, open to all Veterans, Mon-Fri, 8am — 4:00pm; 48 hour Notice preferred, 24 hour Notice acceptable; however it's first come first served.
- Bay Pines Social Work Department transportation resources; call Britney (727) 398-6661, ext. 10770 for available services.

## RESOURCES FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

Many services listed under Senior Transportation Services also provide services to people with disabilities, and PSTA (Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority) provides services specific to people with disabilities: [www.resourcedirectory.apd.myflorida.com/](http://www.resourcedirectory.apd.myflorida.com/)

- PSTA: [www.psta.net/programs/accessibility/](http://www.psta.net/programs/accessibility/), Ross Silvers (727) 540-1844, [rsilvers@psta.net](mailto:rsilvers@psta.net)

## EMPLOYMENT RELATED TRANSPORTATION

Several programs are specific to individuals traveling to/from employment. Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA):

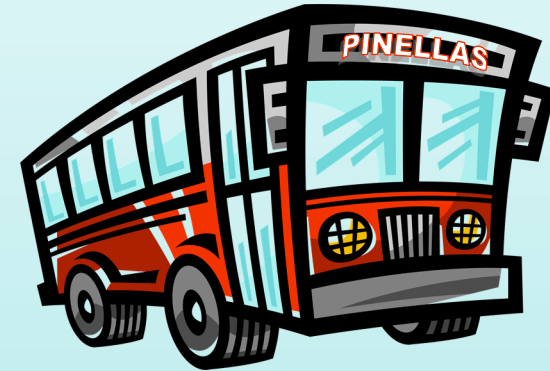
- Vanpool (for commuting to work): [www.tbarta.com/en/commute-tampa-bay/vanpool-for-riders/](http://www.tbarta.com/en/commute-tampa-bay/vanpool-for-riders/)
- Carpool (for commuting to work): [www.tbarta.com/en/commute-tampa-bay/carpool/](http://www.tbarta.com/en/commute-tampa-bay/carpool/)
- Emergency Ride Home program: [www.tbarta.com/en/commute-tampa-bay/emergency-ride-home/](http://www.tbarta.com/en/commute-tampa-bay/emergency-ride-home/)

## PINELLAS TRAIL INFORMATION

[www.pinellascounty.org/trailgd/PDF/explore\\_pinellas\\_map.pdf](http://www.pinellascounty.org/trailgd/PDF/explore_pinellas_map.pdf), (727) 582-2100, select option 2, to get information over the phone.

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Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority (PSTA) offers numerous transportation services ranging from traditional bus routes and shuttle services to autonomous vehicles. The PSTA Infoline is available at: [www.psta.net/contact-us/infoline/](http://www.psta.net/contact-us/infoline/) or call (727) 540-1900 for customer service representatives to help find your best travel alternatives. The PSTA Google Transit Trip Planner is available 24/7 at: [www.psta.net/riding-psta/schedulesmap/](http://www.psta.net/riding-psta/schedulesmap/). General information is available on the PSTA website: [www.psta.net](http://www.psta.net).

PSTA offers services for residents based on specific needs and requirements, as well as general services geared towards all ages, incomes, and abilities. Additional services are offered by the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority (TBARTA): [www.tbarta.com/en/](http://www.tbarta.com/en/). Other entities provide additional services for groups of people based on eligibility requirements. Drop down to *Specific Transportation Services* on the next page for a listing of qualifying services, but you may also find many of these services under the Program tab at the PSTA website, or by calling the Infoline, both are listed above. Please be prepared to give the customer service representative information to help you qualify for specific programs, like your age, income, whether you have a disability or have trouble accessing a bus.

A Florida Statewide Resource for transit is: Safe Mobility for Life. The website offers information and assistance for transit including a tab at the top right of page titled "Find a Ride": [www.safemobilityfl.com](http://www.safemobilityfl.com) or call (352) 273-9624 for assistance.

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General Transportation Services are also offered in certain regions or municipalities including (Alphabetical Listing):

**CLEARWATER:** Clearwater Ferry: [www.clearwaterferry.com](http://www.clearwaterferry.com), (727) 755-0297. This service departs from Downtown Clearwater with two routes: one to Clearwater Beach, and one to Dunedin.

**DUNEDIN:** Local Tiki Rides: [www.localtikirides.com](http://www.localtikirides.com), (727) 992-4174. Free group transit service within Dunedin city limits. Limited Hours: Thursday - Saturday evenings 5-10 pm.

## **ST. PETERSBURG:**

- Bicycle Rental Sharing Program: [www.coastbikeshare.com](http://www.coastbikeshare.com), (727) 619-6677.
- St. Petersburg Scooter Rental/Sharing programs: [www.razor.com/share](http://www.razor.com/share) OR Veo Scooter Share: [www.veoride.com/st-petersburg](http://www.veoride.com/st-petersburg), (855) 836-2256.
- The Cross Bay Ferry Operates back and forth between St. Petersburg and Tampa from November 1, to April 30: [www.thecrossbayferry.com](http://www.thecrossbayferry.com).

**ST. PETERSBURG BEACH:** Free Shuttle operating within St. Petersburg Beach city limits: [www.stpetebeach.org/273/Freebee-Shuttle-Service](http://www.stpetebeach.org/273/Freebee-Shuttle-Service), (855) 918-3733.

## **SPECIFIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES**

**SENIOR TRANSIT SERVICES (Alphabetical Listing):**


**G.E.M.S. For Elderly and Disabled Gulfport Residents:** [mygulfport.us/recreation/senior-center/gems/](http://mygulfport.us/recreation/senior-center/gems/), (727) 893-2242. Mon-Fri 8:00am — 4:00pm.

**HEALTHY HOP — Tarpon Springs ONLY:** [www.psta.net/programs/healthy-hop/](http://www.psta.net/programs/healthy-hop/), (727) 540-1888. Must be 65 years of age or older to schedule health related trips to specified locations.

**NEIGHBORLY CARE NETWORK:** limited rides to medical appointments at no cost: <https://neighborly.org/transportation/>, (727) 573-9444 Mon-Fri 9:30 am — 2:30 pm. Registration required, 10 miles from home limit. For group rides, call (727) 571-4384 and ask for Pat.

**PSTA ACCESS ADA Paratransit (formerly) DART:**

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- All DART rules apply to PSTA Access Paratransit, including your eligibility, so you don't need to do anything.
- Look for the PSTA Access logo  on every vehicle used for advance reservation trips.
- PSTA Access Paratransit: \$4.50/trip. PSTA Access Mobility-on-Demand (MOD): \$3.50/trip.
- DART tickets and cash will still be accepted for PSTA Access Paratransit.
- **ONE PHONE NUMBER FOR ALL OF YOUR TRIPS: PSTA ACCESS PARATRANSIT (FORMERLY DART) & PSTA ACCESS MOBILITY-ON-DEMAND (MOD): (727) 540-1888.**

## **PSTA SPECIAL CITIZEN PROGRAM**

Present proof of age 65 or older at any PSTA Customer Service Center to obtain the PSTA Special Citizen Photo ID, or show an original red/white/blue Medicare Card to ride at a reduced rate.

PSTA Transportation Disadvantaged Program (TD): [www.psta.net/programs/td-transportation-disadvantaged/](http://www.psta.net/programs/td-transportation-disadvantaged/). Call (727) 540-1900 to request a TD program application. Income requirements apply (150% Federal Poverty Guidelines).

**Other Programs:**

- Door to Door — This is for persons unable to ride the bus.
- TD Urgent Day — (727) 540-1900 ext. 6
- Reduced Cost Bus Passes.

## **VETERANS**

- Volunteer Services at Bay Pines VAMC (Nathan Witt (727) 398-6661 ext.15505): service from the Palm Harbor VA Clinic to Bay Pines VAMC Mon-Fri, 8am — 4pm by appointment only; two vans to/from North & South St. Petersburg; full fare bus pass daily, can be monthly if requested through Social Work Department.
- Health Administrative Services (John Stickney (727) 398-6661 ext. 12166): Special Mode Wheelchair Service — Veteran must have Consult from primary care or social worker and