



# Bike-N-Ride Program

## **Introducing...**

**BARTA's new "Bike-N-Ride" service.**

You can now include BARTA in your bicycle trip – you can see more, explore more and get there faster – and bikes ride FREE!

Just use the new bicycle racks located on the front of selected BARTA fixed route buses to take your bicycle for a ride on BARTA at no extra charge.

For your convenience, BARTA has installed bicycle racks on some buses. Each rack holds two bikes and is very easy to use. Plus, it makes you more mobile than ever before! Bring your bike on the bus as an alternative to pedaling your entire route, to avoid inclement weather, or to hurdle obstacles like hills and crowded city streets. You'll go farther and faster than ever!

It's also a great way to get some exercise and stay in shape. It keeps cars off the road which helps relieve traffic congestion and improves our air quality.

## ***Loading Your Bike On The Bus Is A Snap!***

Be a good biker and have your bicycle ready to load and free of any loose items. When BARTA arrives, inform the bus operator that you will be loading your bike.

1. At the front of the bus, grab and squeeze the bicycle rack handle, then lower the rack out and away from the bus.



2. Lift your bike onto the rack and align its wheels into the wheel wells closest to the bus.



3. Secure your bike by rotating the handle and setting the support arm over your bike's tire, and you're done!



When getting off the bus, inform your driver that you will be unloading your bike. To unload your bike, simply reverse steps #2 and #3. Remember to put the bike rack in its upright and locked position if you are the last to use it.



### ***Travel Tips***

You are responsible for loading/unloading your bike in a timely manner. For safety reasons, bus operators cannot get off the bus to help you.

If you are unable to secure your bike, please do not delay the bus.

Racks are available on a first- come, first-served basis. Bikes are not allowed on the inside of BARTA buses.

All bikes 16" or larger fit easily and securely on the rack, even children's bikes. All bikes load in exactly the same way, quickly and easily. BARTA bicycle racks accommodate most 2-wheeled bicycles. Motorized bikes, tricycles or tripeds are not accommodated.

Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Bikes are mounted at your own risk. BARTA is not responsible for theft or damage while your bike is on the rack.

## ***Call Ahead! – After Monday, April 20, 2009***

Because the racks are only on a few buses, please call the bus dispatcher the day before you plan to use the bicycle rack. This will allow time for scheduling to make sure that there is a bicycle rack on the route that you plan to travel.

When you call, please tell the dispatcher which route or routes that you plan to use and at what times. We will do our best to accommodate your requests, however because of the limited number of buses with bicycle racks, requests are done on a first called basis.

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