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Your BC Government is working to make life better for families here on the North Shore and we know that every little bit helps. That's why we're thrilled to share that starting September 1st, kids 12 and under can ride any BC Transit or TransLink service for free – province-wide. This is an exciting change that will help make life more affordable for families, reduce transportation emissions, and encourage lifelong transit ridership.

We know how frustrating it is to be stuck in traffic while you're trying

travel around their communities on their own – when they're ready to do so, of course – giving parents a welcome reprieve from their already busy days.

Multi-modal travel is the way of the future and helping kids learn how to safely and comfortably travel by transit helps us build a better connected, more inclusive, and sustainable community.

We look forward to hearing more about how this program has changed things for your family once it rolls out next month.



to get into, out of, and through the North Shore. Free transit for kids and the recently launched e-bike share program are great additions to our transportation options and give people more ways to get around North Vancouver. When families are offered safe and competitive alternatives to travelling by car, we're able to reduce the number of vehicles on the road so that people are spending more time doing the things they love.

It's worth noting that a significant number of car-trips made during some of the most traffic- congested times of the day relate to pick-ups and drop-offs of kids at school and other activities. By making public transit usage more accessible for families, we can enable greater independence for kids to safely

HOW IT WORKS:

- Kids 12 and under will be able to ride buses for free without requiring a transit pass, identification, or an accompanying fare-paying customer.
- For TransLink fare-gated services (such as Skytrain, SeaBus, and the West Coast Express), accompaniment by a fare-paying customer will be required while a new pass is being developed. Entering at the same time, use any Compass product to tap up to four kids in through the gates.
- Kids 12 and under who are registered HandyDART customers or kids who are accompanying a registered HandyDART customer will be able to travel for free without requiring a fare product or identification.