

Okaloosa County Transit Launches Electronic Fareboxes

To provide passengers with the latest technology, Okaloosa County Transit WAVE fixed-route vehicles will all be equipped with electronic fareboxes for use Monday, April 6, 2009. Riders can purchase electronic 31-day passes from the driver on board all vehicles. Single fare and transfers will be issued directly from the electronic fareboxes. If change is due after payment of bus fare, the fare box will issue a change card, not cash. The change card can be used for future fare purchases. For more information on how to use the new electronic fareboxes or fare information, visit www.rideoct.org, see the latest January 2009 edition of the WAVE Ride Guide or ask anyone of the drivers.

Funding for the electronic fareboxes has been provided in full by the Federal Transit Administration. Ridership of the WAVE in 2008 reached 210,585 an increase of 15% from the previous year. The new fare collection system will make it faster and more convenient for passengers to pay their fares. For more information, contact Okaloosa County Transit at 833-9173 (FWB) or 689-78099 (Crestview).

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