# **Chicago Transit Authority**

# **Group Travel**

by Bus and Train
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CTA buses and trains put your group in the heart of Chicago.



#### Welcome!

The Chicago Transit Authority's (CTA) network of rail lines and bus routes serving Chicago and 40 suburban communities is ideally suited to move groups of almost any size.

CTA serves museums, shopping centers, hotels, convention centers, restaurants, sporting events and just about any place your group wants to go.



It's easy to order your Visitor Passes or Transit Cards in advance and we'll send free maps and brochures upon request. A group sales representative is available to help you plan your trip.

#### **Connect With Us**

CTA provides frequent and convenient connections to O'Hare and Midway airports, intercity and commuter trains at Union, Ogilvie, LaSalle Street and Randolph Street stations, and long-distance buses at the Greyhound Terminal.

#### O'Hare Airport

is only 40-45 minutes from downtown on the CTA Blue Line.



#### **Midway Airport**

is only 30-35 minutes from downtown on the CTA Orange Line.



## Intercity Rail and Bus

Convenient CTA service is available for groups arriving on Amtrak trains at Union Station or by bus at the Greyhound terminal. Several bus routes serve both facilities and Blue Line trains stop nearby.



## Charter an 'L' train

Nothing says Chicago more than our famous 'L' trains. Rent one for four or more hours for that special event. Use a train to see Chicago as only Chicagoans see it, from our 222 mile rail network. We welcome food and non-alcoholic beverage service that you arrange. For more information, call CTA Rail Operations at 312-664-7200, ext. 14528.

# **Planning Your Trip**

CTA has several tools to help you find the best route to your destination.

# Use the Trip Planner

Go to www.transitchicago.com and click on Trip Planner. The Trip Planner will recommend which routes to use, including departure and arrival times and where to make connections. Large groups should contact a group sales representative (see below) for planning assistance and special arrangements.

# Use CTA maps

#### CTA's Downtown Transit Sightseeing Guide

shows how easy it is to get around downtown Chicago on CTA. Get to all major downtown attractions including museums, State Street, Michigan Avenue, sports arenas and much more.



## CTA's Bus & Rail Map

shows the entire CTA system serving downtown and surrounding suburbs. This comprehensive map also includes Pace bus routes and Metra commuter rail lines.

Print portions of the map from the CTA web site, www.transitchicago.com, or to request one by mail, call 1-888-YOUR-CTA;

TTY: 1-888-CTA-TTY1 (1-888-282-8891).



# Speak with a Group Sales Representative

Call 1-888-YOUR-CTA during normal weekday business hours (ext. 12742) and a representative can advise you on different fare options and the best way to reach your destination.

# **Paying for Travel**

CTA has several fare options to suit varied travel needs. CTA farecards and passes are valid on CTA trains and buses and Pace buses.

Order Transit Cards and Passes in advance at www.transitchicago.com or by sending the completed Transit Farecard Order Form with payment.

#### Visitor Passes\*

1, 2, 3 and 5-Day Visitor Passes allow **unlimited** riding from the first use.

1-Day \$5 2-Day \$9

3-Day \$12 5-Day \$18







#### Other Passes and Transit Cards

\$20 Transit Card

7-Day (\$20) and 30-Day (\$75)\* unlimited ride passes are also available.

**Transit Cards** deduct fares and transfers. If needed, value can be added at rail station vending machines.









\$20

Fares	Full	Reduced
First ride	\$1.75	.85
1st transfer within 2 hours	.25	.15
2nd transfer within 2 hours	Free	Free

To meet a variety of travel needs, we offer several denominations of Transit Cards.

Pack of 10 Full Fare Transit Cards	\$17.50
Full Fare Transit Card with Transfer	\$2
Round Trip Transit Card	\$3.50
Round Trip Transit Card with Transfer	\$4
Pack of 20 Reduced Fare Transit Cards	\$15.30
Pack of 20 Reduced Fare Transit Cards	\$18.30
with Transfer	
\$10 Transit Card	\$10

<sup>\*</sup>Visitor Passes and unlimited ride passes cannot be shared.

#### **Transit Farecard Order Form**

To order by mail, send this completed form along with a corporate, organization or cashier's check or money order for the full amount payable to the Chicago Transit Authority. Personal checks will not be accepted.

Mail to: Chicago Transit Authority, Group Sales, P.O. Box 7563, Chicago, IL 60680-7563

Customer Information		Shipping Information	n de la companya de
Date: Name:		Name:	
Title:	FRUIT WOLLS	Company/Institution:	
Company/Institution:		Address:	
Address:		City:	State/Prov.:
City:	State/Prov.:	Country:	Zip/Postal:
Country:	Zip/Postal:		
Telephone:	Fax:	E-mail:	

#### Fare Selection

Type of Fare	Price	Count	Total
Visitor Passes Allows unlimited riding for duration of pass. Cannot be recharged or shared.	\$5 (1-Day) \$9 (2-Day) \$12 (3-Day) \$18 (5-Day)		\$ \$ \$ \$
7-Day Unlimited Ride Pass	\$20		\$
30-Day Unlimited Ride Pass	\$75		\$
Reduced Fare 30-Day Pass (for Seniors age 65 and older and disabled with RTA Reduced Fare Riding Permit)	\$35		\$
\$2 Transit Card (allows 2 more rides within 2 hours)	\$2		\$
Round Trip Transit Card	\$3.50		\$
Round Trip Transit Card with Transfer	\$4		\$
Pack of Reduced Fare Transit Cards (20 per pack at a discounted 77¢ each)	\$15.30		\$
Pack of Reduced Fare Transit Cards with Transfer (20 per pack, allows 2 more rides within 2 hours)	\$18.30		\$
Pack of Full Fare Transit Cards (10 per pack at \$1.75 each)	\$17.50		\$
\$10 Transit Card	\$10	- Charles	\$
\$20 Transit Card	\$20		\$
		TOTAL	\$

Please allow 7-10 business days for delivery. There are no refunds for CTA Transit Cards and Passes.

# **Popular Destinations**

# Use CTA Trains and Buses to get to many Popular Destinations

- Art Institute of Chicago
- Chicago Cultural Center
- Concerts and Music Venues
- Dining and Nightlife
- DuSable Museum
- Historic Neighborhoods
- Frank Llovd Wright Home and Museum
- John Hancock Observatory
- Lincoln Park and Zoo
- McCormick Place
- Museum Campus
- · Museum of Science and Industry
- Navy Pier
- North Michigan Avenue
- Sears Tower
- State Street
- Theatre District
- United Center
- U.S. Cellular Field and Wrigley Field



#### For More Information

#### CTA Group Sales

1-888-YOUR-CTA (968-7282), ext. 12742 (available weekdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) groupsales@transitchicago.com

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