

# Taxi feeder service extends public transportation to North Richland facilities

Starting today, Ben Franklin Transit is providing transportation via a taxi feeder service to North Richland, north of the bus stop at the Washington State University Tri-Cities campus at Sprout and George Washington Way. The taxi feeder service is available during the regular transit service hours, 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 8 a.m.-7 p.m. on Saturdays.

Although the taxi feeder will not provide curb-to-curb service, pick-up and delivery locations will be on George Washington Way at Port of Benton Boulevard and the intersections of most east-west streets from 2nd to 11th Streets. The taxi feeder service will also serve the following Pacific Northwest National Laboratory buildings on Q Street: Battelle User Housing, ETB, the Environmental Molecular Sciences Laboratory and ISB-1.

You can request taxi feeder service from the North Richland locations listed above by doing the following:

- Call Tri-City Deluxe Cab at 547-7777 at least 30 minutes before you want to be picked up. Allow 10 minutes for the cab to travel to the bus stop at Sprout and George Washington Way.
- State the pick-up location and the time you need the service.
- The taxi will meet you and take you to the bus stop at Sprout and George Washington Way.

You can also request taxi feeder service from the bus stop at Sprout and George Washington Way:

- Board Ben Franklin Transit Bus Route 26, and pay your fare or show your bus pass.
- When you board, tell the bus driver you need taxi service to North Richland.
- Ask the bus driver for a ticket for your taxi.

The fare for the taxi service is included in your bus fare, bus pass or bus tickets. You will not pay or tip the taxi driver. Cash fare for Ben Franklin Transit is \$0.50 for youth and disabled, \$0.75 for adults and free for riders five years and under and 60 years and older.

Consult the Route 26 schedule for arrival and departure times from the bus stop at Sprout and George Washington Way. The schedule is available at <http://www.bft.org/routes/schedules/26.html>. For more information on the taxi feeder service, call the Ben Franklin customer service line at 735-5100.