

The Role of Public Transportation in Community Resiliency

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Disasters Always Happen in Communities



Public transportation has an important role in community resiliency.

Overview

- Local Government Emergency Management
- Role of Public Transportation
- TransLink Examples
- Personal Preparedness



What Happens When Disaster Strikes?



- People
 - Injury and loss of life
 - Impacts individuals, families, employees
- Community
 - Infrastructure damage
 - Emergency resources overwhelmed
- Government
 - Normal processes disrupted
 - Priorities change

There are short and long term impacts...

Hazards & Vulnerabilities

- Hotter and drier
- More frequent, extreme weather
- Sea level rise
- Earthquakes, hazmat spills, disease, invasive species, etc.

- Aging population, climate refugees, evacuees
- Expectations!!!



Response & Recovery

- Provide for the safety and health of all responders
- Save lives
- Reduce suffering
- Protect public health
- Protect critical infrastructure
- Protect property
- Protect the environment
- Reduce economic and social losses



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Public Transportation Roles

- Support evacuations
- Provide temporary shelter
- Enable movement of responders and equipment
- Assist in community recovery by moving people and resources
- An information platform
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Response Hierarchy



Working with Local Government



TransLink Examples



Emergency Operations Centre



Communications

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Alerts, Trip Planner

Fares
Compass Card

Rider Guide
Transit 101, Accessibility

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Keep Improving → Keep Moving

Granville Station's main escalators have carried 300 million people in their lifetime. You'd be tired too.

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from Georgia & Pender then via Pender, Richards, Georgia regular route(traffic) ^rp

Plan ahead this winter!

Sign-up to receive transit alerts via SMS and email, or check translink.ca for current conditions.



Wear proper footwear to avoid wipeouts!

Stairs, escalators and platforms can get slippery this time of year. Be careful and watch your step to avoid injury.



Don't run for your train or bus!

For more winter tips, visit translink.ca/winterconditions



Personal Preparedness



*Who depends
on **You**?*

*Are **You**
Prepared?*

*Public Transportation
has a critical role in
supporting and enabling
community resiliency.*

