

# Highway 16 Community Access — Transportation Services

# **CITY OF TERRACE**

Highway 16 from Prince Rupert to Prince George stretches nearly 800 kilometres in BC's northern region. Where transportation options are available, residents need to find that information quickly and easily.

This document includes information on transit, medical transportation, inter-city bus, rail, and community-based services. It provides a single source of information on these and other related services, such as driver training programs and business licensing information for starting up a new service.



# **TRANSPORTATION**

#### **Transit**

- The BC Transit website provides everything you need to know about using public transit services in the City of Terrace. Visit www. bctransit.com/terrace/home or call 250-635-2666.
- The Skeena Regional Transit Service provides connections between Terrace and Kitimat (bctransit.com/skeena/home).
- Refer to the "BE SAFE" guide (www2.qa.gov. bc.ca/assets/gov/public-safety-andemergency-services/crime-prevention/ community-crime-prevention/ publications/safe-community-be-safeguide.pdf) for personal safety tips for when you are walking or using public transportation.

#### **Medical Transportation**

- In the event of an emergency, dial 9-1-1
  if you require an ambulance to transport you
  to a hospital.
- Northern Health Connections is a travel service program for patients needing to travel for outof-town medical appointments in Northern BC. Call 1-888-647-4997 or visit https:// nhconnections.ca/.
- The First Nations Health Authority Health Benefits Program helps provide coverage for health services to support BC First Nations, including access to medical transportation benefits through their home community's health service office. For more information, call 1-800-317-7878 or visit www.fnha.ca/ benefits/medical-transportation.

# **Inter-City Bus**

 BC Bus North – to make reservations or for more information please visit www.bcbus.ca or call toll free 1-844-564-7494.

#### Rail

 VIA Rail Canada operates a regional service between Jasper, AB and Prince Rupert, BC.
 Visit www.viarail.ca or call 1-888-VIA-Rail (842-7245).

## **Community-Based Services**

- The Terrace and District Chamber of Commerce Member Directory (www. terracechamber.com/index.php/members) contains helpful information on local transportation services
- "Terrace Better at Home" is funded by the Government of British Columbia and managed by the United Way to help seniors remain independent, offering a wide range of services, including transportation. For information, call Volunteer Terrace at 250-638-1330.
- Kermode Friendship Society
   (kermodefriendship.ca) provides
   connections for Kitselas and Kitsumkalum
   First Nations (250-631-6601).

# LICENSING SERVICES

## **Driver Licensing**

 Information is available on all driver training school locations licensed or registered by ICBC. See the Driver Training Industry of British Columbia website (www.dtcbc.com) or call 1-866-339-0363.

- If you are unsure of the type of driver's licence you need to operate a specific type of vehicle or passenger service, ICBC has information on Driver's Licence Classes and Types.
   Contact ICBC to determine qualifications to operate shuttle services (1-800-950-1498).
   A commercial driver's licence requires a safe driving record.
- Should you wish to apply for a licence to start up your own driver training school, or to teach a driver training course, see the Driver Training Industry of BC website (www.dtcbc.com) or call 1-866-339-0363.

#### **Business Licensing**

- To operate a business in Terrace, you need a business licence issued by the City of Terrace.
   See Terrace Business Licensing (www.terrace. ca/city-hall/departments/developmentservices/building-business-licencing/ building-business-licencing) or call 250-615-4000.
- Visit the Passenger Transportation Branch website (www.th.gov.bc.ca/rpt/licence\_ new.htm) or call 1-800-663-7867 to see if a Passenger Transportation Licence is needed.
- Speak to an Autoplan Broker about vehicle and liability insurance needed to operate a passenger transportation service. For the location nearest you, see the ICBC website (www.icbc.com/locators/Pages/default. aspx) or call 1-800-663-3051.