



Need a Better Way of Getting Around at Night?

Bloomington-Normal Public Transit System (B-NPTS) is here to help...with our After Hours program. Let us be your solution to late night public transportation. Check us out!

What is After Hours?

After Hours is a program designed to provide limited public transportation from 9:30pm-1:00am Monday through Saturday excluding these holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. After Hours does not operate on Sunday. After Hours uses small buses providing curb-to-curb, shared ride service during hours when ridership demand is low and the use of full size buses would be inefficient. The service is called "After Hours" because it is available only after the regular daytime fixed routes have ended their operating day.



Can Anyone Use After Hours?

Yes! After Hours is open to everyone in the Bloomington-Normal community. After Hours vehicles are equipped with lifts and wheelchair restraints to accommodate riders who cannot use the vehicle steps when boarding or alighting the bus.



Call Us!

Bloomington-Normal Public Transit System is here to help. If you have any questions about the After Hours program, our fixed routes or Special Services, please contact us. We are always happy to help you with your transportation questions.

Bloomington-Normal Public Transit System

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After Hours &

General Services Information:
(309) 828-9833

Special Services Information:
(309) 828-7511
(Voice or TDD)
www.b-npts.com



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Where Can I Travel?



With a few exceptions, After Hours buses travel to all points within Bloomington-Normal's city limits. Except in the case of special circumstances when a rider is unable to use available fixed route services, After Hours does not provide service for riders whose trip origin and destination are within 1,250 feet of available fixed route bus services. This policy is in effect so that After Hours services do not duplicate available fixed route services.

In addition, the After Hours service area is limited to an area encompassed by a 3/4 mile radius from the nearest point served by a regular daytime fixed route bus.

How Much Does it Cost?

After Hours has the following fare categories:

◆ \$2.00 each way for riders who qualify as eligible ADA riders. These are riders who have a disability that prevents them from using regular fixed route bus services. Riders in this category have been prequalified as meeting B-NPTS criteria as "eligible ADA riders". Riders can request prequalification materials by calling B-NPTS at 828-7511 or they can download the instructions for prequalification from the B-NPTS website at www.b-npts.com.

◆ \$4.00 each way for all other riders.

- When two or more riders share the same trip origin and destination, one rider pays \$4.00 and each additional rider pays \$1.00 (each way).
- Riders twelve years of age or under, sharing a common trip origin and destination with a fare paying rider, ride free.

After Hours bus drivers do not make change or handle fares so make sure you confirm the amount of fare you will be required to pay at the time you make your trip reservation. Have your fare ready to deposit in the farebox when boarding.

What if I Cannot Afford the Fare?



You may qualify for assistance! Some community service providers assist riders who cannot afford the After Hours fare. Check with your local service organization or call PATH at 827-4005 for a referral.

How Does After Hours Work?

After Hours is provided only on a reservation basis. In order to reserve a ride you must call B-NPTS at 828-9833 and arrange the ride between 8:00am and 8:00pm, no later than the day before the evening you want to ride. Reservations are not taken on Sundays or Holidays when B-NPTS services are not operating. If you have a recurring trip need you may call and reserve your ride up to a week before the recurring trip begins.

After Hours is a shared ride service which means that you may be sharing your trip with other riders. B-NPTS attempts to schedule rides in the most efficient manner so that the most people can be served during any given time period while routing each trip as direct as possible.

When you make your reservation, the B-NPTS employee taking the call will ask you where you will be starting your trip, the desired pickup date and time and the destination of your trip. The same information will be necessary for your return trip reservation.



The employee taking your reservation will also ask if you need any special accommodations (for example, the use of the wheelchair lift on the bus) and if you will be sharing your trip with anyone else. All of these details are important for B-NPTS to plan your trip.

After completing all reservation information, the B-NPTS employee taking the call will confirm your trip information and advise you of the fare you will need to deposit in the farebox when boarding the bus. They will also provide any special information unique to your trip.

B-NPTS will make every effort to pick you up at the scheduled time, but conditions beyond our control may cause the After Hours driver to arrive a few minutes early or late. Please keep this in mind and be prepared to board the bus when it arrives.

No Shows

A "no show" is a rider who has made a reservation for an After Hours ride and then fails to board the bus when it arrives. No shows use valuable service time and effect the trip reservations of other riders. Please be a responsible rider. If you know you will be unable to board the bus as previously scheduled, call B-NPTS -even the same day of the trip- and advise that you need to cancel your reservation.

The B-NPTS no show policy is as follows:
1st Offense- ineligible until fare for missed ride paid
2nd Offense (within a 6-month period)- ineligible 30 days following payment made for missed ride
3rd Offense (within a 6-month period)- ineligible 180 days following payment made for missed ride