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Indy Express Bus park-and-ride lot moving to Fishers' Eastern Star Church

Beginning March 24, commuters taking the Indy Express Bus from Fishers to downtown Indy will catch the bus in a new location, the parking lot at Eastern Star Church, 8850 E. 106th Street, just east of I-69.

The move was prompted by the upcoming construction near the old parking lot. In addition, the new lot will improve the customer experience by providing ample lighting and better access.

"We're grateful to the Town of Fishers for their continued partnership," said Jeffrey D. Jackson, executive director of the Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA), which operates the service.

"We're enhancing the service we provide for more than 3,000 one-way trips a month from Fishers," said Jackson. "It is important to improve this existing service and that would not have been possible without the Town of Fishers' support."

Riders enjoy the services for a number of reasons. Some like to use the free Wi-Fi and work while they commute, others like to save money and still others like to leave the driving to someone else.

"This provides a great opportunity for Fishers residents to access transit for their commute to work," said Michael L. Colby, Fishers Town Councilor and CIRTA board member. "Transportation plays an important role in our effort to attract business development and employment to the Town of Fishers."

The bus departs the Fishers park-and-ride lot at 6:25 a.m., 7:10 a.m. and 7:55 a.m. on weekdays and travels nonstop to downtown Indianapolis, where it stops at nine locations. At the end of the day, it picks up at the same locations and arrives back at the park-and-ride lot in Fishers at 4:35 p.m., 5:35 p.m. and 6:15 p.m.

Fare for the Indy Express Bus is \$5 one way and can be paid to the driver in cash. Single-trip, 10-trip (\$50) or \$150 calendar-month unlimited trip passes can be purchased online. For passes, routes and timetables, visit <u>www.indyexpressbus.com</u>.

CIRTA operates five commuter services during peak commuting times on weekdays: the Indy Express Bus between Fishers and downtown, Indy Express Bus between Carmel and downtown, the West Carmel Connector, the Carmel Connector and the Plainfield Connector. The connectors provide service for people working in West Carmel, Carmel and Plainfield from IndyGo route termination points. For general information, visit <u>www.cirta.us</u> or call 317-327-RIDE.

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