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## Valley Regional Transit Launches 'VRT Extra Hours' for Holiday Evening Weekend Service

**Boise, IDAHO** – Valley Regional Transit (VRT) is excited to announce the launch of Extra Hours, a late-night weekend service designed to make traveling safer and more convenient during the holiday season. Starting Friday, November 29th, and running through Saturday, December 28th, VRT will extend service hours on four key routes (3, 7, 9, and 17) on Friday and Saturday nights.

"Late night and weekend service are requests we often get from riders, and we're excited to test it out this holiday season," said VRT's CEO, Elaine Clegg. "Whether you're looking to get home after a late shift at work, meeting up with friends, or traveling safely home after a night out, VRT Extra Hours offers a stress-free, safe option during the busy holiday season."

The extended service provides access to popular destinations, such as downtown Boise, Towne Square Mall, Idaho Botanical Gardens, and beyond, during times of high demand when VRT doesn't currently offer bus service. Park & Ride lots are also available along the routes.

## **VRT Extra Hours Details:**

- > Dates: November 29, 2024 December 28, 2024
- > **Days**: Fridays and Saturdays
- > Routes: 3 Vista, 7 Fairview, 9 State Street, 17 Warm Springs/Parkcenter
- Cost: \$1.50 one-way or \$2.50 all-day; first ride free at ridevrt.org/extra
- > Hours: Routes 3, 7, and 9 past midnight; Route 17 past 10 PM

Extra Hours is part of VRT's ongoing efforts to enhance transportation options in the Treasure Valley, supporting both local workers and those enjoying the city's vibrant nightlife during the holidays.

## **Connect with VRT**

For more information, including route maps and schedules, visit ridevrt.org/extra or call (208) 345-7433.

For more updates, follow VRT on social media:

> Facebook: Valley Regional Transit

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## **About VRT**

VRT has been connecting people to the community they love to live in for over 20 years and is the regional public transportation authority for Ada and Canyon counties. VRT services include 19 fixed bus routes in Ada and Canyon counties; on-demand bus service in Eagle, Nampa, and Caldwell; and numerous specialized transportation options. For more information, please visit <u>ridevrt.org</u>.