

YOUR TRANSIT CONNECTION BETWEEN GALVESTON AND HOUSTON



SERVICE: Galveston Island Transit operates a connecting bus service in Galveston County, ISLAND EXPRESS as part of a bus link between Galveston and Houston. Houston METRO is cooperating in the program by facilitating transfers for northbound and southbound passengers at its Bay Area Park and Ride facility at 801 Bay Area Boulevard in Webster.

NORTHBOUND service near Island Transit's Downtown Transit Terminal at 25th Street and The Strand in Galveston three times per day, Monday through Friday. An intermediate stop is provided in Texas City at 5320 Texas Avenue at Bayou Road for mainland passengers and Connect Transit transfers. At METRO's Bay Area Park and Ride facility, passengers transfer to Houston METRO Park and Ride Route 246 (morning and evening) or Route 249 (midday trips). In Houston, passengers arrive adjacent to the Downtown Transit Center at St. Joseph Parkway at Travis Street. METRO fixed route local buses, METRORail, and other intercity bus carriers are nearby.

SOUTHBOUND service originates near METRO's Downtown Transit Center at Milam and Jefferson three times per day, Monday through Friday. Passengers board Park and Ride Route 249 (morning and midday) or Route 246 (evening trips). At METRO's Bay Area Park and Ride facility, passengers transfer to Island Transit buses bearing the Island Express logo. An intermediate stop is in Texas City at 5320 Texas Avenue at Bayou Road for mainland passengers and Connect Transit transfers. In Galveston, passengers arrive at the Downtown Transit Terminal at 25th Street and The Strand. Transfers to Island Transit's local bus routes are conveniently located within the terminal.

FARES: All passengers pay a \$4.50 fare one way on Island Transit buses and also on METRO Route 246. Total one way fare between Galveston and Houston is \$9.00. Metro's fare using Route 249 is \$2.00, making the total for those trips \$6.50. Payment on Island Transit buses is by cash only. METRO buses take cash or any METRO fare medium. At this time, separate payment must be made each time a bus is boarded.

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