Oswego County Public Bus Routes reinstate OPT fixed routes

Oswego Public Transportation (OPT), operated by the Oswego County Opportunities, Inc., and Oswego County Opportunities (OCO) recently announced plans to temporarily continue on-demand services on some routes while preparing to resume regular OPT services on others.

The affected OPT routes beginning June 15, 2020 will be reinstated back to normal service are:
- Route OPT-13, which serves Fulton, Mexico, Port Ontario, Pulaski, Sandy Creek, Richland, Altmar and Williamstown will resume fixed route services and associated fare collections on Monday, June 15. Buses and will run Monday through Friday on this route.

The affected OPT routes that will continue as temporary fare-free OPT/On-Demand services for rides to medical appointments, pharmacies, food pantries and grocery shopping are: Services will be available Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.:
- OPT-12: Fulton, Mexico, Williamstown, Parish, Pulaski, Central Square, Amboy Center and Constantia.

OCO’s regular on-demand ride service that serves the remainder of the county beyond OPT fixed route bus lines remains unchanged. OCO also offers a “Call-N-Ride” service for those in need of transportation to and from essential stops such as the grocery store, pharmacy, food pantry, doctor appointment and place of employment.

The Pulaski to Sandy Creek route that was scheduled to launch in March 2020 has a new tentative start date on Monday, August 3 with a slow roll-out. Additional information will be released as it becomes available closer to the start date.

Passengers can transfer from the OPT-13 route to Centro to connect to various points in Oswego and Onondaga counties.

OPT, OCO continue to follow CDC guidance on public transportation safety protocols to help protect against community spread of COVID-19. Staff will maintain a thorough cleaning process; sanitizing buses and vans before and after each trip to ensure passenger safety. Social distancing will continue to be encouraged and riders are asked to wear a face mask or covering. For those that do not have one, masks will be available.

For more information, call OCO at 315-598-1514 or go to their website at www.oco.org/transportation.