

**Puget Sound Regional Council Transit Integration Report highlights Snoqualmie valley Transportation's Duvall Monroe Shuttle project**

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### On the ground: Duvall-Monroe Shuttle

The Snoqualmie Valley Transportation Coalition formed in the fall of 2017 to improve public transportation options in the Snoqualmie Valley, an area crossing between King and Snohomish counties. The coalition is a joint venture of Hopelink, Snoqualmie Valley Transportation, Easterseals, King County Metro Transit's Community Access Transportation program, the Snoqualmie Tribe, the Snohomish County Transportation Coalition (SNOTRAC), the Snoqualmie Valley cities of Monroe, Duvall, Carnation, Snoqualmie, and North Bend, and local medical providers and human services agencies.



In 2017 the coalition came together to identify gaps in service and infrastructure in the Snoqualmie Valley by gathering public feedback through surveys and online tools. The coalition identified the lack of transportation options between the cities of Monroe and Duvall as a major network gap. The clinics, shops, and businesses of Monroe are only fifteen minutes away for Duvall residents by car, but for patients and shoppers who rely on public transportation, a one-way trip between these two cities takes more than four hours, \$10, and three or more transfers on two or three different transit systems.

Funded by King County Metro, Community Transit, and Easterseals, the pilot Duvall-Monroe Shuttle bus service began in August 2018, providing a direct connection between Monroe and Duvall on a loop route operating from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on weekdays. Once in Duvall, riders can access the Valley Shuttle, a transportation service operated by Snoqualmie Valley Transportation, to access other destinations in the valley.

The coalition is developing a communications and outreach plan to inform residents of the local public transportation options already available in the area, such as Snoqualmie Valley Transportation's door-to-door and "Loop bus" services operating throughout the valley from North Bend to Duvall; King County Metro's transportation services throughout King County; Community Transit's service throughout Snohomish County; Hopelink's Medicaid transportation service; Sound Generation's Hyde Shuttle; and Catholic Community Services volunteer driver program.

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***Depending on the success of the route, the coalition may expand service hours and incorporate it into the coalition's forthcoming five-year transit plan covering the entire Snoqualmie Valley.***

