However, Pittsburgh is fortunate to have a comprehensive mass transit network. Most city destinations are easily accessible by bus or Pittsburgh's light rail system. Many destinations are less than a 15 minute ride from Oakland.

This brochure is designed to highlight specific bus and rail routes to help you easily visit Pittsburgh’s many attractions. While there are about 100 transit routes, only key routes are shown. Most routes highlighted in this brochure operate frequently, seven days a week. Use this brochure in combination with a route schedule available at the Pitt Student Union or CMU University Center and enjoy the adventure of exploring Pittsburgh.

**AIRPORT SERVICE**

28X Airport Flyer operates seven days a week from Oakland to the airport. Board 28X in Oakland along Forbes Avenue near Carnegie Mellon or in the heart of Oakland along Fifth Avenue. The fare to or from the airport is $2.50 when using a ConnectCard or $2.75 in cash.

**DOWNTOWN SERVICE CENTER**

Port Authority’s Downtown Service Center is located at 534 Smithfield Street and sells a variety of fare products and other prepayment plans. Free schedules, maps and service information are also available in the lobby. Business hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm.

**TRANSIT STOPS**

Port Authority’s new wayfinding system makes it much easier to find Port Authority stops. The system features a mix of new signs, maps and digital screens to help riders find transit locations and more easily reach their destinations. The signs are currently located in Downtown Pittsburgh.

Pay fare when boarding at all stops outside the free fare zone.

NEED MORE DETAILS? CALL US.

Port Authority Customer Service is staffed by helpful, experienced service representatives Monday through Friday from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm and on weekends and major holidays from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Call 412.442.2000.

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Access schedule, fare and trip-planning information, news, detours and more. PortAuthority.org
DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH

Downtown Pittsburgh is the heart of the region and center of the transit network. Known locally as the Golden Triangle, Downtown has undergone more than one renaissance over the last 60 years. The first, in the late 1950s and early 1960s, resulted in the development of Point State Park, Gateway Center, Mellon Square and Chatham Center. During the second renaissance of the late 1970s and early 1980s, numerous new office buildings, the Benedum Center, Station Square and the downtown subway were built. The millennium ushered in a third renaissance of the late 1990s and early 2000s. Today’s Downtown is home to a variety of shops and tempting ethnic restaurants mixed in among Victorian homes suitable for historic restoration. South Craig Street in eastern Oakland is home to three blocks of one-of-a-kind restaurants and many interesting specialty businesses.

DOWNTOWN PITTSBURGH

Oakland is the center of Pittsburgh’s academic and medical community, home to several major universities as well as a vast medical research center and hospital complex. It’s also home to a varied mix of people, from families that have called Oakland home for generations to students arriving from all over the globe. Oakland’s business districts reflect its diverse nature. The Forbes Avenue business district features fast food and casual eateries, coffee shops, drugstores and other retail to meet the day-to-day needs of students and workers.

Outdoors the lively streets of the Cultural District and Market Square, Downtown can appear quiet at night. But don’t be fooled. Look for a lit sign, go in and be amazed at the diverse options for evening entertainment that only Downtown Pittsburgh can offer.

Oakland features a new library, the Shadyside neighborhood is a multi-faceted community boasting three distinct business districts and a population of students, socialites and everyone in between. The Walnut Street business district was once Pittsburgh’s bohemian village. Today, it offers an urban shopping experience with local boutiques as well as national brands you’d find at the mall – but without all the suburban traffic! Restaurants, night spots and ice cream shops make Walnut Street a wonderful place for an evening stroll.

The Ellsworth Avenue business district is alive with trendy restaurants, boutiques and numerous independently owned businesses. Over on South Highland Avenue you’ll find both upscale and tawny-styled dining.

Shadyside is densely developed and its distinctive commercial centers are surrounded by a mix of 19th century and modern housing as well as numerous condominiums and apartment buildings.

Lawrenceville has experienced a true renaissance. Butler Street, the neighborhood’s main business district, has been transformed over the past 15 years through the dedication and hard work of the community. From 34th to 55th streets, new businesses and restored historic facades have changed the face of Butler Street. Butler Street is home to a growing number of galleries, boutiques, antique shops, coffee shops, taverns and restaurants, each filing its own unique niche.

Lawrenceville’s signature event is Art All Night, a 24-hour art festival featuring work from local artists.

Rounding out this diverse neighborhood is the South Side. The South Side, otherwise known as the Golden Triangle, has two distinct sides to its personality. By day the neighborhood plays its traditional role as the city’s delivery dock and wholesale marketplace. By night it is an exciting restaurant and tavern destination.

On weekends, the Strip is the city’s marketplace for hard-to-find ethnic groceries and farm-fresh produce. In the evening, the neighborhood has a number of restaurants featuring both inventive cuisine and hearty traditional fare ready to satisfy the palate.

SOUTH SIDE

The North Side started as Allegheny City, a separate city from Pittsburgh until 1907, but more than a century afterward, this area still retains much of its unique old world charm.

Deutschtown, centered around the East Ohio Street business district, has seen a rebirth as part of historic restoration efforts that have revitalized its high Victorian buildings, as well as architecturally sensitive new home construction.

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BLOOMFIELD/GARFIELD

Bloomfield is known as Pittsburgh’s Little Italy and it’s not unusual to hear Italian spoken on Liberty Avenue or in Friendship Park.

The Liberty Avenue business district features tempting ethnic dining – there’s more than just Italian! – as well as popular American chain restaurants. Venture down the residential streets to find neighborhood taverns, some hosting live bands and karaoke.

Several small art galleries feature the work of local artists. By day, many independently owned businesses and vintage shops feature one-of-a-kind items.

In Garfield, the first Friday evening of every month, the Pann Avenue Arts District hosts its signature event: a gallery crawl known as Garfield Art Unfurled. Numerous art galleries and other venues are open well into the evening with audiences often spilling into the streets.

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Travel time from Oakland: 12 minutes

OVERVIEW OF SUBURBS

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