2019 Fare Policy and Pass Program Changes / Fact Sheet

- RTD is making changes to fares and pass programs that will take effect next year.
- Most changes – including changes to fares, and an increased discount for riders between 6 and 19 years old – will begin Jan. 2, 2019. A low-income program is scheduled to begin in summer 2019.
- Riders will be able to travel for up to three hours in any direction within the fare category for which they have paid (e.g., Local, Regional). This change replaces the current one-way transfer or ticket.
- RTD’s new full-price fares are:
  - $3 for Local
  - $5.25 for Regional
  - $10.50 for a trip to or from Denver International Airport (which also can be used as a Regional day pass)
- Riders who qualify for half-price discount fares include seniors (65 and older), individuals with disabilities and Medicare recipients. RTD’s new half-price discount fares are:
  - $1.50 for Local
  - $2.60 for Regional
  - $5.25 for a trip to or from Denver International Airport (which also can be used as a Regional day pass)
- Discounted fares for youth – those between 6 and 19 years old – will increase to 70 percent. (Previously, they were 50 percent.) RTD’s new youth fares are:
  - 90 cents for Local
  - $1.60 for Regional
  - $3.20 for a trip to or from Denver International Airport (which also can be used as a Regional day pass)
- Proof of eligibility is required of all passengers using discounted fare products. For seniors, such proof can include a Medicare card, a government-issued identification, or an RTD-issued special discount card. For individuals with disabilities, such proof can include a Medicare card or an RTD-issued special discount card. Youth can provide identification from a middle or high school, a government-issued identification or an RTD-issued youth special discount card.
- Up to three children 5 and younger can continue to ride free with a fare-paying adult.
- Riders paying with a MyRide smart card or a 10-ride ticket book will receive a 20-cent discount on full-price Local, Regional and airport fares and a 10-cent discount on half-price fares.
- A low-income program is scheduled to begin in summer 2019. It will provide a 40 percent discount to qualifying riders whose household incomes are at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty level.
- Interested customers will have to qualify and enroll in the program to receive the low-income fare. RTD will communicate details about how to apply as soon as they have been determined.
- EcoPass, Neighborhood EcoPass and CollegePass will be priced based upon trips taken.
- Pricing changes for CollegePass will be implemented starting in August 2019 for the 2019-2020 academic year.
- FlexPass has been retained without discounts.
- ValuPass has been discontinued. Those interested instead can purchase monthly passes.
While RTD’s nonprofit program will not be eliminated or replaced, the products and discounts offered through this program will change.

More information about these changes is available at www.rtd-denver.com/fares-2019 or by calling RTD Customer Care at 303-299-6000.