



Contact: Drew Brooks, Transit Director, 970-221-6386, dbrooks@fcgov.com

Date: Oct. 9, 2020

MEDIA ALERT

Transfort Bus Operators Test Positive for COVID-19

FORT COLLINS – The City of Fort Collins has been notified that two Transfort bus operators have tested positive for COVID-19 (Coronavirus). In order to protect the privacy of these individuals, identifying information and medical records will not be released.

The positive tests were self-reported to the City of Fort Collins on Oct. 8 and Oct. 9. The drivers last reported for duty on Oct. 6 and 7, respectively. They have been in self-quarantine since the positive test notification.

Out of an abundance of caution, the City is sharing information about the routes the operators worked so that any passengers on those routes can be mindful of any potential symptoms.

“We wish our colleagues a quick recovery and are keeping them in our thoughts during this time,” said Transit Director Drew Brooks. “Transfort is taking safety seriously and we’ve been working to serve the community in accordance with best practices from health authorities,”

Due to COVID-19, fares are temporarily suspended, and Transfort has implemented modified service levels. Standees are not allowed on Transfort buses, and passengers must use the rear doors to board and leave the bus. Face coverings are required on all Transfort buses.

Bus operators also wear personal protective equipment while working. In addition to regular nightly cleaning, Transfort has been disinfecting driver and passenger areas of its buses nightly. The South Transit Center and Downtown Transit Center buildings are currently closed to the public, but passengers may board and exit buses at the transit centers.

A list of routes they operated in the period prior to Oct. 8 is listed below.

Oct. 3, #76, Flex Service 6:24 a.m. to 11:19 a.m.

Oct. 5, #96, Horn Service, 6:55 a.m. to 10:44 a.m.

Oct. 6, #68, Route 3 and 31, 7:20 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

Oct. 6, #86, Route 81, 6:37 a.m. to 1:57 p.m.

Oct. 7, #96 Horn Service, 6:52 a.m. to 1:44 p.m.

###