



## ***MEDIA RELEASE***

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## **Three Barrie Transit routes return to normal service frequency next week**

(Barrie, ON) Barrie Transit routes 1, 6, and 8 will be returning to 30-minute frequencies starting Monday, September 28. These routes, along with route 100 which returned to normal service level in July, show the highest volume of riders and increased frequency will better support physical distancing on board.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the majority of routes have been running on an hourly service since April 6. With these four routes returning to pre-COVID-19 service frequencies, Barrie Transit's overall service level will increase from 65% of normal to 85%.

Staff are assessing volumes and working to put the required resources in place to return to normal service levels across all routes. Since Barrie Transit has only recently resumed collecting revenue from the service, a full timeline for when this will happen is unavailable.

As a reminder: all riders are required to wear non-medical face masks or face coverings as part of the [Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit's](#) requirement to wear a face covering when entering a public indoor space or using Barrie Transit. Children under the age of two, or those under five who cannot be persuaded, are not required to wear a face covering, as well as individuals whose health or ability, or cultural or religious reasons would prevent them from doing so.

For more information including further updates and schedules, visit [barrie.ca/transit](http://barrie.ca/transit).

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