



Working to make Jefferson County accessible for everyone

DASH – Disability Awareness Starts Here! - is a non-profit organization of people, with and without disabilities, who believe that a disability does not lessen a person's worth, and that education and advocacy are key to improving community access for people with disabilities.

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GETTING AROUND PORT TOWNSEND

Selected routes for walking or wheeling are indicated on this map. Although most streets in the Downtown and the Uptown commercial areas have sidewalks, only sidewalks with useable curb cuts are shown on this map. Jefferson Transit also offers several alternative routes.

Marked Accessible Parking 🗟 🗟



Marked accessible street parking is shown with these symbols. A good alternative to parking in commercial districts is to park at the Park-and-Ride behind Safeway, and take the Route #11A/#11B Downtown/Uptown Shuttle bus that services both Downtown and Uptown.

Restrooms 👭



Accessible restrooms are shown; symbols are for guidance only. All Fully Accessible Public Buildings shown on this map have accessible restrooms.

Hearing Assistance



Devices and compatibility vary. Numbers to call for specific information: Courthouse (360) 385-9135; City Hall TTY 771 (800) 855-1155; Community Center (360) 385-9007.

The detailed list Hearing Assistance Devices Available at Several Port Townsend Facilities will be posted on the DASH website in September 2016.

UPTOWN

There are few **sidewalks** in the Uptown area, but most of the commercial district has sidewalks. Uptown sidewalks, where they exist, are mainly concrete. Travel in the road is possible as grades are mostly gentle east of Benton Street; traffic off Lawrence Street tends to be light.

Street crossings with generally accessible curb cuts are shown. Many intersections have no curb cuts and a creative line must be followed for a wheelchair to avoid traveling in the roadway.

The Library and the Community Center are accessible. Accessibility at restaurants, shops and hotels varies from good to poor, and a phone call is recommended if you have special needs. Most businesses will do their best to accommodate your needs. Please refer to the DASH Accessible Restaurants **Guide** and Accessible Entertainment & Cultural Venues Guide.

JEFFERSON TRANSIT

63 Four Corners Road, Port Townsend

Customer Service Location: Haines Place Park and Ride 440 12th Street, Port Townsend Hours: 7:00 am - 5:15 pm

Local Telephone: 360-385-4777 Toll Free: 800-833-0497

Hearing Impaired: dial 711 for a Relay

Operator

All Jefferson Transit buses are Lift-Equipped and Wheelchair Accessible. For Paratransit information please contact Jefferson Transit.

www.jeffersontransit.com

VISITOR INFORMATION

Visitor Information Center 2409 Jefferson St, Port Townsend 360-385-2722

Hours: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

www.ptguide.com

RESTAURANTS AND VENUES

Many in Port Townsend can accommodate patrons with special needs, including hearing impairment. Available at Visitor Information are the DASH Accessible Restaurants Guide and Accessible Entertainment & Cultural Venues Guide, listing those found to be accessible and disability friendly.

SELECTED PARKS & TRAILS NOT SHOWN ON MAP

Kah Tai Lagoon Nature Park, near the Park-and-Ride, offers picnic areas, bird watching and nature trails on several acres of natural habitat. Compacted gravel trails can be muddy in wet weather.

The Larry Scott Trail is a two-mile waterfront trail starting in the Port area across Sims Way from the Park-and-Ride. The trail is compacted gravel with gentle grades. There is an accessible restroom at the trailhead.

Fort Worden State Park has many accessible attractions including beaches. campgrounds, the Marine Science Center, the Centrum Arts Center and the McCurdy Pavilion. Call the park (360-344-4400) or Centrum (360-385-3102) for more detailed information on accessibility.

A beach wheelchair and a beach walker are available at the Fort Worden beach campground area to use free of charge. Check out is at the Cable House Canteen located across the street from the pier. The Canteen is open seasonally with hours that vary. Call the park (360-344-4400) to confirm availability.

ACCESSIBLE PORT TOWNSEND **MAP**

Downtown/Uptown



A Guide for Wheelchair Users and Those Who Use Mobility Aids

DOWNTOWN

Most of Downtown was built in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Many buildings have stepped entryways and few buildings have elevators.

Most sidewalks are concrete. However, two blocks on Water Street between the ferry dock and Polk Street are finished in brick cobbles, and a short section on Washington Street east of Adams Street is graveled.

Street crossings with generally accessible curb cuts are shown. The light-controlled intersection at Taylor & Water Streets has no audible cue signals.

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LINKING DOWNTOWN TO UPTOWN

For those able to walk, the safest route is Monroe Street. Monroe has a continuous accessible sidewalk linking Downtown and Uptown. Road grades are moderate to steep.

For people using chairs or scooters, the best way to link these two areas is by using Jefferson Transit Route #11A/#11B Downtown/Uptown Shuttle.

An alternate route for those who can manage a very long and steep stairway is the Terrace Steps behind Haller Fountain on Taylor Street. Turn left at the top of the stairs onto Jefferson Street and follow the sidewalk up the hill where it turns and becomes Tyler Street. Uptown is then three blocks away.

PARKS & TRAILS SHOWN ON THE MAP

Chetzemoka Park, located in the Uptown District, has picnic areas, gardens, a playground and access to the beach. Graveled, gentle paths lead to the picnic area and a part of the gardens. Beach access is rough and hazardous.

Unfortunately, this park is not directly served by transit; the closest drop point is at Monroe and Clay streets, four blocks away. Jackson Street has no sidewalk but has little traffic and is relatively flat.

Rothschild House State Park & Museum is open daily in-season. It has no marked accessible parking. While the grounds are accessible, thresholds at entrances limit access to the house.

The Bell Tower, and its viewpoint, has a small, unmarked parking area.

The Terrace Steps and Haller Fountain provide a landscaped staircase that connects Downtown with Uptown for those able to negotiate a very long steep stairway.

A packed dirt trail parallels the beach at Point Hudson.

Union Wharf has an open-air structure with a timbered surface and a floating dock accessed down a steep and narrow ramp.

The Northwest Maritime Center has many accessible features including restrooms, elevator, coffee shop and a dock. The area leading to the dock is paved.

Pope Marine Park and City Dock is located downtown on Water Street across from the old City Hall building. The small park includes a picnic area, playground and beach. Access is flat, concrete to grass; the beach is rough, sand and stones. City Dock has a timbered surface, and access to visiting boats at a floating dock is down a steep, narrow ramp.

Please send comments and corrections to **DASH** at the email address, telephone number or mailing address above.

DASH is a member of the Jefferson County Accessible Community Advisory (ACAC) Committee and United Good Neighbors of Jefferson County.

