

**COORDINATED PUBLIC TRANSIT HUMAN SERVICES
TRANSPORTATION PLAN
FOR KAKE, ALASKA**



**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICE
SOUTHEAST SENIOR SERVICES
JANUARY 2015**

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Introduction

The village of Kake Alaska is a unique place. Set in a picturesque land and seascape common to Southeast Alaska. The people of Kake; called “Kakers” are uncommonly united; working cooperatively to make life easier for all. Pursuant to the 2010 U.S. Census, Kake has 113 elders over the age of 60; 86 of the 113 elders are Alaska Native according to The Organized Village of Kake’s membership registration. Southeast Senior Services provides congregate and home delivered meals and regularly scheduled rides for 4 hours a day, four days a week.

In 2014 we conducted client satisfaction surveys and a needs assessment in the community, as well as an open house in which we sought the expression of unmet needs of the elders. From each of the community assessment approaches, the need for additional transportation and the need for counseling services were clearly communicated.

In 2014, a community transportation meeting was held and attended by 45 community members, predominately Alaska Natives. The idea of identifying what vehicles were in the village and available, if there was an unmet need what it was and what strategies could we use to meet the need were well discussed. The elders were clear. Expanded transportation service was needed and wanted for clinic appointments, grocery needs, a ride to the airport and ferry, to church, to visit and sometimes just to take a ride out of the village or to the beach and sit for a while. They have attended funeral services, weddings, basketball games, gone berry picking, gone for a picnic and went out looking for bear or deer or whatever they could find.

The attendance at the public transit meetings had grown from the initial meeting in 2007 to about 15 people in 2008, 24 people in 2009, and 45 people in 2014.

The reason for the attendance increase was a direct result of asking for community participation in 2007. They timidly gave their options, and they got what they asked for. As time has gone by and many public transit meetings have been held, the elders are increasingly confident and happy. They wanted only to

continue with the expanded Purchase of Services rides and no more. They said they had received what they wanted and did not need anything more except to continue the expanded ride program.

COMMUNITY BACKGROUND

Kake

1st Class City in the Prince of Wales-Hyder Census Area

Current Population

598

Pronunciation/Other Names

(cake)

Community's Judicial District

1

Recording District

Petersburg

Location

Kake is located on the northwest coast of Kupreanof Island along Keku Strait, 38 air miles northwest of Petersburg and 95 air miles southwest of Juneau.

Kake is a Tlingit village with a fishing, logging and subsistence lifestyle that about 682 residents call home. It is located on the northwest coast of Kupreanof Island along Keku Strait, the historical home for the Kake tribe of Tlingits who controlled the trade routes around Kuiu and Kupreanof islands, defending their territory against other tribal groups in the region..



HISTORY AND CULTURE

History

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Division of Community and Regional Affairs





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Culture

It is a Tlingit village with a fishing, logging, and subsistence lifestyle. Traditional customs are important to the Kakes. The world's largest totem pole was commissioned by Kake and carved by Chilkats in 1967 for Alaska's centennial celebration. The 132-foot totem pole now stands on a bluff overlooking town.

While in Kake experience Big John Bay Trail, Goose Lake Trail, Cathedral Falls Trail, Hamilton Creek and Portage Bay SE trails; While visiting Kake, see the world's largest totem pole (132.5') and bike, hike or drive the logging roads in the area to access old growth trees, including one that is 16' diameter and 254' tall. Kake also features incredible wildlife including the largest congregation of Humpback Whales in the World (May to October, offshore), bear viewing on Silver Spike Road Bridge and at the Hatchery on Bear Crossing Road Access, and large chum salmon returns in the summer at the Gunnuck Creek Hatchery and at the Kake Cannery (Historic landmark). Dinosaur fossils can be found on one of the Keku Islands. Local events include Kake Day; Kake's Dog Salmon Festival (late July); and Challenge of the Chums (Tlingit canoe

Organized Village of Kake is the federally recognized tribe.

Climate

Kake has a maritime climate characterized by cool summers and mild winters. It receives much less precipitation than is typical of Southeast Alaska, averaging 54 inches a year, with 44 inches of snow. Average summer temperatures range from 44 to 62 °F; winter temperatures average 26 to 43 °F. Temperature extremes have been recorded from -14 to 88 °F.

Transportation

[Alaska's Marine Highway System](#) departs Kake two times per week; one Southbound and one Northbound. There is no ferry terminal building, only a covered shed at the terminal location.

Scheduled float plane and air taxi flights are available from Juneau. Charter planes out of Sitka (Sitka Harris Air), Petersburg (Kupreanof Air and Pacific Wing), and Ketchikan (Misty Fjords Air) are also available. Kake has a State-owned lighted paved runway west of town, and a seaplane base at the City dock.

Charter Boats are run by local individuals who claim to run anytime during the year, "anywhere in Southeast Alaska's waterways". There are 120 miles of logging roads in the Kake area, but no

Transportation Facilities

Kake Airport
Alaska Marine Highway

2010 Population and Housing Characteristics

Population in 2010

Total Population	557
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Population by Race

Population by Race	Value	Percent
White	95	17.06 %
American Indian and Alaska Native Alone	385	69.12 %
Black or African American	1	0.18 %
Asian alone	0	0.00 %
Pacific Islander alone	1	0.18 %
Other alone	7	1.26 %
Two or More Races	68	12.21 %

Race alone or in combination with one or more other races	Value	Percent
White alone or combo	146	23.29 %
Black or African American alone or combo	1	0.16 %

Race alone or in combination with one or more other races	Value	Percent
American Indian and Alaska Native alone or combo	449	71.61 %
Asian alone or combo	19	3.03 %
Pacific Islander alone or combo	2	0.32 %
Other alone or combo	8	1.28 %

Ethnicities

Asian	Value
Asian Indian	0
Filipino	0
Chinese	0
Japanese	0
Korean	0
Vietnamese	0
Other Asians	0

Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Value
Native Hawaiian	0
Guamanian or Chamorro	1
Samoaan	0
Other Pacific Islander	0

Hispanic or Latino by Origin	Value	Percent
Hispanic Origin (Any Race)	10	1.80 %
Not Hispanic (Any Race)	547	98.20 %
Mexican	6	1.08 %
Puerto Rican	0	0.00 %
Cuban	0	0.00 %
Other Hispanic	4	40.00 %

Population by Gender
Population by Age

Population by Age	Value
Age 4 and under	35
Age 5 - 9	35
Age 10 - 14	38
Age 15 - 19	40
Age 20 - 24	35
Age 25 - 29	18
Age 30 - 34	29
Age 35 - 39	36
Age 40 - 44	45
Age 45 - 49	52
Age 50 - 54	42
Age 55 - 59	39
Age 60 - 64	50
Age 65 - 69	18
Age 70 - 74	24
Age 75 - 79	9
Age 80 - 84	10
Age 85 and over	2

Median Age	Value
Median Age	43

Population Over a Certain Age	Value
Age 16 and over	444
Age 18 and over	426
Age 21 and over	401
Age 62 and over	93
Age 65 and over	63

U.S. Census Bureau's 2008-2012 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

INCOME	Estimate	Margin of Error
Per Capita Income	\$20,291	\$4,456 +/-
Median Household Income	\$36,875	\$10,765 +/-
Median Family Income	\$40,568	\$7,089 +/-

Poverty

	Estimate	Percent
Persons in Poverty	93	22.52 %

This estimate is based on the federal poverty threshold used for the lower 48 states and must be adjusted with the federal poverty threshold for Alaska.

See <http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/13poverty.cfm>

Schools

Schools located in Kake

School Name	Grades Taught	Number of Students	Number of Teachers
Kake Elementary & High School	P thru 12	104	12

Official Position	Full Name	Title	Term Ends
Mayor	Henrich Kadake		Oct-2015

Assembly & Council

Official Position	Full Name	Title	Term Ends
City Council	Lloyd Davis		Oct-2015
City Council	Marla Howard		Oct-2016
City Council	Paul Rostad		Oct-2016
City Council	Paulette Jackson		Oct-2015
City Council	JoAnn Jackson		Oct-2014
City Council	Teresa Gaudette		Oct-2014

Municipal Employees

Official Position	Full Name	Title	Term Ends
Bookkeeper	Amanda Davis		
City Administrator	William 'Rudy' Bean		

Official Position	Full Name	Title	Term Ends
City Clerk	Georgina Davis-Gastelum		

School Board

Official Position	Full Name	Title	Term Ends
School Board Member	Adam Henry		Oct-2015
School Board Member	Faunele Renee Kadake		Oct-2016
School Board Member	Isabel Mills		Oct-2015
School Board Member	Lloyd Davis		Oct-2015
School Board Member	Michele Friday		Oct-2016
School Board Member	Wanita James		Oct-2014

School District Employee

Official Position	Full Name	Title	Term Ends
Superintendent	Kevin Shipley		

Community/Regional Contacts Information

Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
Native Non-Profit (Regional)

Mailing Address

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City of Kake

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Kake, AK 99830

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272 Keku Rd
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Distribution (Fuel Vendor)
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Organized Village of Kake

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Juneau, AK 99803
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Services

Accommodations are available at several lodges and inns in Kake which also serve food. Kayak rentals are available through a local guiding service. Fishing and hunting licenses and car rentals are available from a local lodge and bed and breakfast. Sale of alcohol is restricted to the City-owned package store. Other services such as banking are non-existent.

PUBLIC TRANSIT MEETING - 2014

PUBLIC MEETING



TOPICS: TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF KAKE SENIORS (60 years of age and older); AND DISABLED OF ANY AGE

WHO SHOULD COME?

YOU! Everyone's ideas are needed. Please come to the Kake Senior Center at **1:00 PM** on

January 1/6, 2014 for a brief meeting. Refreshments provided.

TRANSPORTATION AGENDA:

1. WHAT TRANSPORTATION DOES KAKE HAVE NOW?
2. WHAT DOES KAKE NEED?
3. WAYS TO FILL THE GAPS AND PRIORITIES.

KEEX' KWAAN' TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Meeting Date: 1/6/14

- 1) Introduction of meeting participants
- 2) Purpose of this public Meeting – Short History
- 3) What community transportation does Kake have now?
- 4) What community transportation services does Kake need for the future, especially for the seniors and disabled persons?
- 5) Strategies to address gaps in service and prioritize the how to fill the gaps
- 6) Set next meeting (annually in November/December)

1. Introduction of meeting participants and roll call:

Bunny James, Site Manager, announced there would be door prize drawings for fresh baked bread and pies after the meeting.

Sidney Fadaoff, Regional Coordinator for Catholic Community Service, Southeast Senior Services introduced herself and led the meeting.

Attendees: See attached list

2. Purpose of public meeting.

In January 2014 Kake held a public meeting about Senior transportation and it was agreed by everyone that the one need that you had was not enough drive hours to go on field trips, to the clinic, or just to get out of the house once in a while after the regular driver hours. So that was the identified need and the strategy we came up with was to increase the number of hours the van is available. Currently the van is available 28 hours a week. Wilfred is driving Monday-Friday from 9 am 2 pm and weekends Saturday on call and Sunday 11 am to 1 pm. Wilfred graciously provides 2 and 3 am ADA transportation to the ferry dock.

In January, 2014, OVK passed a resolution to support the POS rides. We are required to update that plan for me to apply for the grant to pay for the purchase of services rides. In January the committee (that is you) said no additional services were needed except to continue the purchase of services expanded service we had provided the year prior. Your current grant is in effect until June 30, 2014, and the next grant period for which I am now writing a grant will start July 1, 2015. The grant deadline is December 19, 2014.

Currently the senior van offers rides Monday-Thursday during senior center hours to the senior center for lunch, shopping, post office, airport, ferry and clinic appointments. We currently are using the State DOT purchase of services grant funds to provide rides to: additional grocery and post office runs, school functions, elections, church, funerals, public meetings and community events like 4th of July, Dog Salmon festival, Alaska Day, basketball games, bingo, and drives in the country for berry picking, deer hunting and just sightseeing.

We do ask that you schedule weekend and any evening rides the day before you want to be picked up so Wilfred can adjust his evenings and weekends to have some time off. If you need a ride to a 2 am ferry, please be sure to call Wilfred or the senior center the day before and understand if Wilfred is unable to accommodate midnight ferry arrivals/departures. He does need time off and his sleep. So here we are again, with a need for a meeting, a resolution signed by OVK, and a grant written to do whatever you decide is the highest priority for the Kake community, the seniors and persons with disabilities.

3. Financial Challenges:

The Purchase of Services Ride funding requires a 20% local community match which is about \$6500. It has been difficult to raise the 20% match in such a small community. OVK and I will be brainstorming to identify a funding source of the match. The Purchase of Services rides require a \$1.00 fare per one-way ride from everyone, regardless of age.

Other suggestions for funding sources were offered by committee members. Those included Sealaska Heritage Foundation, Tlinigit and Haida Central Council, Tlingit and Haida Kake Board, Wells Fargo, 1st national Bank, Dawson Construction/James Deen Corp., and ANB/ANS Grand Camp.

3. **What community transportation does Kake have now?**

Expensive taxi that does not meet the need, Senior Care-a-van, ambulance, fire truck, school bus and Kake Tribal Corporation bus for tourism. No public fixed route transit system.

4. **What community transportation services does kake need for the future, especially for the seniors and disabled persons?**

What are Kake's future transportation needs? The committee identified the need for continued POS service to seniors and disabled. They expressed a desire for independence which the POS service provides to them. They are able to get where they need to go thanks to the current POS service. They wish this to continue uninterrupted.

OVK President of the Board identified the need for a larger passenger and wheel chair station capacity Senior Center ADA van to accommodate the need of seniors and disabled in Kake. The committee also identified the lack of transportation coordination between small aircraft providers, Alaska Marine Highway ferry system schedule, and connections to mainline airline routes. Kake would like the Alaska Marine Highway ferry to stop in Kake more often north and southbound and not go through Sitka every time. Alaska Seaplanes flight schedule does not connect to Alaska Airlines flight schedule in Juneau so most times residents have to spend money they don't always have to stay in a hotel overnight until they can catch either an Alaska Airline flight or another Alaska Marine Highway ferry to get to their destination.

5. **Strategies to address gaps in service and prioritize how to fill the gap.**

The committee asked that enhanced Purchase of Services rides continue. They asked for a new larger van.

Sidney Fadaoff agreed Catholic Community Service would write the State DOT grant for Purchase of Services and the replacement care-a-van vehicle. She also noted that while CCS cannot address the issues with the ferry and airline schedules, she would look into the agency writing a letter of support addressing these gaps.

PRIORITIES: Purchase of Services rides was identified as the first priority. The larger Care-a-van vehicle replacement is the second priority for FY16, but both are important to the community.

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KAKE SIGN UP SHEET		
Coordinated Transit Meeting 2014		
Keex'Kwaan' Transportation Committee		
NAME (please print)	AFFILIATION	PHONE
Mary Williams	Senior Elder	785-6404
David K James	Senior Elder	785-315
Adeline Jackson	Senior Elder	785-345
Virginia Copsey	Senior Elder	78-4339
Evelyn Martin	Senior Elder	785-320
Alberta Shaguanie	Senior Elder	785-4406
Leroy Jackson	Senior Elder	785-345
Tamie Shaguanie	Senior Elder	785-440
Geraldine Robinson	Senior Elder	738-6403
Richard Thomas	Senior Elder	NONE
Lena Skeek	Senior Elder	785-4116
Wanita James	Site mgmt/Cook	785-315
Laurie Ann Adams	Asst Cook	N/A
Paul Kod	CFSW	x6514
Lois Trout	Clinic Director	x3333
Wilfred Skeek	Driver for Senior Van	785-3216
Port Bezo	elder	NONE
Frank Kraus	elder	785 3240
Barbara Rose	elder	785-3153
Gary E. Williams	Organized Village w/ Kake	785-6471x111
MIKE JACKSON	OVK PRES	785-6471
Joel Jackson	OVK Vice	733-6518

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KAKE SIGN UP SHEET		
Coordinated Transit Meeting 2014		
Keex'Kwaan' Transportation Committee		
NAME (please print)	AFFILIATION	PHONE
Harold Kadake M	Mayor of Kake	785-3102
Ryan Friday	F/R THRNA	785-3105
Nancy Adlyke	Mingus Valuedata	785-6444
Joe Smith	James Dean Valuedata	785-6444
Margaret MacL	Asst Mgr SCS	785-6444
Shirley MacL	Ed. Kake Schools	785-3741
Steven Adlyke	Energy Systems	209-1672
Lingita C. Kadake	ANS Camp 10	785-3272
Marilyn Kadake	KVFD	785-3404
Kenji Kake Esq	manager K.T. Fuel	785-3611
Sheryl R. Stebb	MBS	785-4444
Paul J. Hill	Kake Tribal Corporation President/CEO	785-3221 703-1636
Ellie Jackson	ANS member	723-6179
Lorraine Jackson	Kake Tribal Corp	785-3221
M. He Evans	The Salvation Army	723-0238
Debra Peterson	USPS	785-3123
Georgina Davis Gastelum	City Clerk	785-3804
Jeffrey J. Dean of Hwy Dept	James Dean Construction Inc	785-3160
Rudy Beard	City ed.	785-3804
Richard Friday	Community Health	785-3337
Debra Peterson	Kake Clinic	785-3333
Marcia Acevedo	Kake Clinic	785-3333
Dr. Valerie Edwards	SEARHC	907-301-1851



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(Federally Recognized Tribal Government serving the Kake, Alaska area)

--- Resolution NO. 2013-07 - Support of Catholic Community Services/Southeast Senior Services/ Kake Senior Center application to the State of Alaska, Department of Transportation for the purchase of services for 2,200 rides in a year to senior citizens and for people with disabilities, and for expanding the availability of rides for all eligible riders to five days a week.

WHEREAS, the Organized Village of Kake (hereinafter OVK) is a federally recognized Indian Tribe under federal law and is empowered under its *Constitution and By-Laws* to adopt ordinances to govern its members and its activities on behalf of its members; and,

WHEREAS, OVK is organized pursuant to the authority of the Federal Indian Reorganization Acts (hereinafter IRA) of 1934 and 1936 with the IRA Council as the duly-elected governing body formed under its *Constitution and By-Laws*; and,

WHEREAS, OVK is recognized by the United States of America as being eligible for programs and services through the federal government, based on OVK's status as a federally recognized Indian Tribe; and,

WHEREAS the Organized Village of Kake relies on the State Community Transit Office for federal funds to support community transit projects; and

WHEREAS the Federal funding requires a Public Transportation-Human Services Coordination Plan for the funding; and

WHEREAS the Organized Village of Kake qualifies to use the States General Plan for Limited Coordination Communities' Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan for Select Rural Alaska Communities; and


WHEREAS Catholic Community Service/Southeast Senior Services provides rides for Kake residents (seniors and people with disabilities under the age of 60) under this funding and is applying in 2013 for a total of \$39,028; and


WHEREAS the Keeex' Kwaan Transportation Committee identified expanding service hours as the highest priority.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that that the Organized Village of Kake endorses, by resolution, the states Transportation Plan for Select Rural Alaska Communities and the CCS/SESS-Kake project that proposes purchasing 2,200 rides for people with disabilities under the age of 60 and to extend days of service to five days a week for all eligible riders.

CERTIFICATION

This resolution was duly adopted at an IRA Council meeting held this 10th day of April, 2013 by a quorum of * (includes president as non-voting chairperson except in case of tie vote) with 5 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 0 abstaining.


Jeffrey S. Jackson, President


Attested by

*Telephone Poll 04/10/2013

THE PLAN

Coordinated Service Element

Public vehicles in Kake are an ambulance, a school bus, a taxi sometimes, a fire truck and the old Care-A-Van that OVK purchased from Southeast Senior Services which was to be a bus to use for visitors. The Organized Village of Kake is seriously invested in economic development projects and wanted to use the van for guests. The bus has been being repaired for the past year.

The Senior Center van, the sometimes expensive taxi, and residents personal vehicles are the extent of the transportation offered to seniors in Kake.

Transportation Needs

The targeted population of elders in Kake have clearly articulated their transportation needs for the past five years. The elders of Kake want freedom of movement to go to the Doctor when the Doctor can see them, to get some groceries, get to the Ferry or airport, get to church, and go to important community and cultural events or to take a ride with their friends on a nice day.

There are 86 enrolled Native Alaskan Elders in August 27, 2013. About 20 elders use the van as their sole form of transportation while approximately 40 use the service at some time during the year with greater and lesser frequency.

Client Screening.

No screening tools are used for the transportation service but if someone is newly using a wheelchair or walker, the driver goes through proper procedures with them until they are comfortable. Drivers are well trained, even in the small villages, but the driver in Kake is a master. He is PASS and SMYTH certified. He takes an elder where they need to go any time they need and in response the elders never ask at odd times unless they have made arrangements or it is an emergency.

Gaps in Service.

Thanks to the Purchased Rides in Kake there is no longer a **“Gap in Service.”** The elders make that clear at each meeting of the Keex Kwan Transportation Committee. This year they said they would like a “weekly” ride into the country weather permitting and if it were possible.

Agreed upon strategies are very simple. KEEP DOING WHAT WE ARE DOING NOW. GIVE THE DRIVER A RAISE AND ADD HOURS IF NEED BE.

1. Continue providing rides outside of the 4 hours a day, 4 days a week for lunch, church, funerals, shopping, post office, clinic appointments, school functions, ferry and airport, and public functions.
2. A drive in the country, berry picking, hunting and sightseeing are a high priority on a more frequent basis.

Concluding Strategy

Continue the Purchased Rides grant (We call them the Red Rides due to using red ink for the sign-in sheet used for expanded services). They are working well and ridership is steady.

Budget enough driver hours to satisfy the demand for red rides.

Conduct local fundraising for fuel to add rides.

Participating Agencies:

Agencies involved in meeting and formulating the plan are The Organized Village of Kake, Kake Tribal, The City of Kake, Kake schools, The SEARHC Clinic, The ANS and ANB and the Senior Center.