



WOLF Ride: *WOU Safe-Ride Program*

FY 26 IFC Budget Request

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WOLF Ride Mission & Overview:

The mission of WOLF Ride: WOU's Safe-Ride program is to provide a complimentary and reliable shuttle service to students of WOU who would otherwise walk alone at night and risk their safety or possible assault.

WOLF Ride provides a safe environment for all students by increasing public awareness of our services and the dangers of assault. WOLF Ride also provides accessible support for students with an equipped wheelchair lift in the van. This year, WOLF Ride implemented an app for the first time (more details later on).

WOLF Ride is funded by incidental fees and generates a small revenue from reservations outside of the general operating hours.

Importance & Impact of WOLF Ride:

- Safety for students and no additional cost for students to use
 - Shared about during tours/recruitment
- Help support basic needs for students without access to a personal car on campus - increasing autonomy and equity
- Provides equitable and accessible transportation for all students
- Van is available for campus use to rent (clubs, departments, organizations), which goes towards revenue
 - 41 reservations during FY 26 so far (summer/fall)
 - Upward Bound relies heavily on this during the summer
- When student staffing is available, rides to/from locations in Salem at beginning/end of terms are offered
- “Door-to-door” service within the Monmouth-Independence area, mitigating having to walk to/from bus stations, especially at night

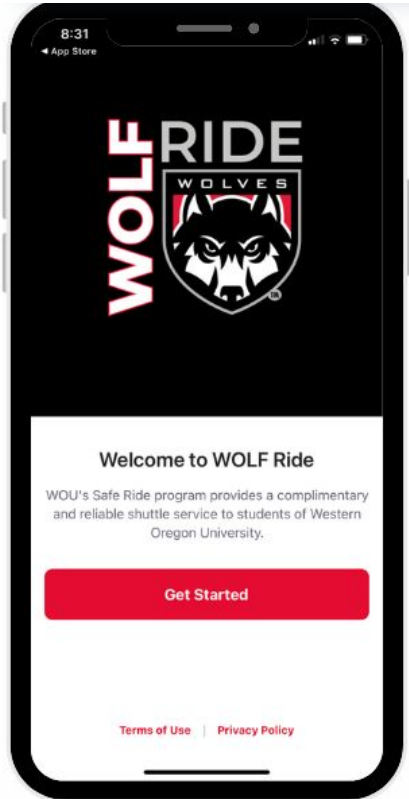
Current FY 25 Budget & Funds

Expenses:	Student Wages/OPE	\$31,674
	Services & Supplies	\$5,264
	SafeRide App (Renewable Annually)	\$5,000
	General Admin Overhead	\$3,104
	Sub Total:	\$45,042
Projected Revenue:	Sales & Services	\$3,000
Total IFC Transfer-In for FY 25:		\$42,042

Current FY 25 Operating Schedule/Staffing:

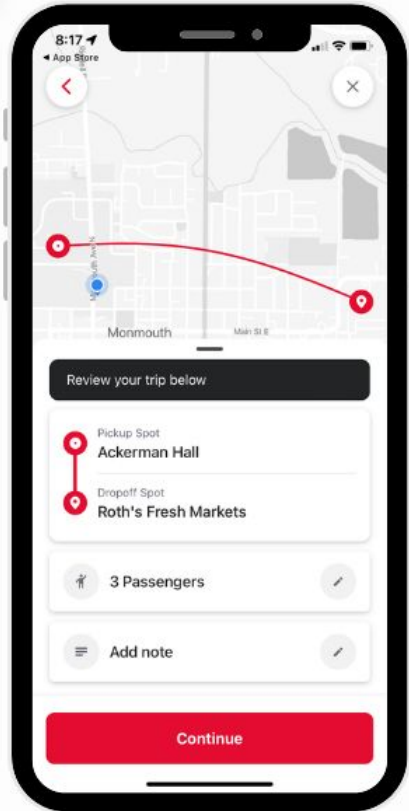
- **7 student staff**
 - 2 staff members per evenings shifts
 - 1 staff member per morning shifts
- **Fall Operating Hours:**
 - Monday/Friday, 10am - 12pm
 - Monday through Saturday 5pm - 11:15pm
 - Busiest times 5pm-9:30pm
 - Winter term: PM shifts change to 4:30 - 10:30pm

Rider/Driver App Recap



- Thanks to an enhancement of \$5,000 from IFC last year, we were finally able to implement an app for WOLF Ride this year!
 - Includes an app for the drivers, and for riders
 - Accessible with screen readers
- Due to our campus size and fleet size, *Downtowner* (app developer) gave us a 48% discount on our annual cost
 - Same company that hosts OSU's driver app
 - Contract is renewable annually for same cost, with room to not renew if needed
- App launched during PACK Welcome Week before classes started, students could download app via QR code (Android or Apple)
- Students still able to request rides via text/call if unable to get app

Rider/Driver App Update



- Total of 151 students have downloaded the app (continuing to promote more downloads)
- Allowed us to extend hours to include day-time hours 2x/week with hands-free usage (just 1 staff member needed)
- Smoother process for our student employees, easier for students to request rides, and more reliable tracking

Statistics

- **Fall 2023 term:** 157 total rides completed
- **Fall 2024 term:** 442 total rides completed (~181% increase!)
 - ~10% of rides (46) from new daytime hours
 - Most common locations: Waremart, Roth's, off-campus housing
 - 5-6pm is MOST popular time

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Requested budget for 2025:

Maintain current operating budget level

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Cut Packages:

- **5% Cut (-\$2,102.10)**
 - Decreased hours in the *winter* term
 - Either ending early or cutting day-time hours
 - Would impact student employees' overall hours, but would keep same number of employees
- **10% Cut (-\$4,204.20)**
 - Decreased hours in the *winter and spring* terms
 - Either ending early or cutting day-time hours
 - Would impact student employees' hours, would *most likely* keep same number of employees

Enhancement Request:

I am asking for an enhancement of \$4,500 to extend hours and offer rides on Sunday, which would put us back at 7 days/week operating hours.

This would increase the student pay by giving them more hours, and would increase the operating hours that WOLF Ride can provide services for students.

Thank you for your time and attention!

**What questions
do you have?**