



**VIRGINIA RAILWAY EXPRESS**

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**APPLICATION FOR VRE REDUCED FARE YOUTH ID [AGES 11-18]  
(ALL INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETED-PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)**

**NAME:**

\_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME FIRST NAME M.I.

**STREET ADDRESS:** (HOME ADDRESS REQUIRED)

\_\_\_\_\_ STREET ADDRESS/APT # CITY STATE ZIP CODE

**PHONE #** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE OF BIRTH:** \_\_\_\_\_ **LAST FOUR DIGITS OF SS #**  
\_\_\_\_\_ X XX - XX - \_\_\_\_\_

**Gender:** Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

[E-MAIL ADDRESS IS IMPORTANT - DELAYS WILL OCCUR IN PROCESSING APPLICATION IF LEFT BLANK]

**Origination Station:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Destination Station:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Names of Parents/Guardians [who will be authorized to make purchases through Commuter Direct on behalf of the youth]**

\_\_\_\_\_ [PRINT NAME CLEARLY] \_\_\_\_\_ [PRINT NAME CLEARLY]

**In case of an emergency, who should be notified?**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Ph#** \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing below, you are acknowledging that the above-information is true and accurate and that you qualify for VRE's Reduced Fare Youth ID:**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Signature of Parent/Guardian** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date**

## **REDUCED FARE ID CARD FOR YOUTHS**

VRE offers a 50% discount off the cost of our tickets to our patrons who are 11-18 years of age. This discount is designed around youths who regularly utilize our commuter service and may not be beneficial to tourists or infrequent riders due to limited vendor locations and the ID requirement. Children 10 and under can ride FREE with a fare paying adult. Reduced Fare tickets for youths may only be purchased at our vendors located near Union Station, L'Enfant, Crystal City, Alexandria, Franconia/Springfield, Woodbridge, Quantico and Broad Run, as well as by mail through Commuter Direct. **As of March 1, 2010, patrons must have a VRE Reduced Fare Youth ID in order to purchase tickets at the discounted rate.** In addition, with the exception of ticket purchases made through Commuter Direct, the Youth must be present with the ID at the time ticket purchases are made through vendors. Previous forms of identification for youths (birth certificates, legal IDs showing date of birth) will not be accepted by vendors. The Parents/Guardians listed on the application will be printed on the ID, providing authorization for tickets to be purchased through Commuter Direct. When setting up an account for tickets to be sent via mail, Commuter Direct will initially require a copy of the ID and the approved application [copies will be sent to the parents/guardians by VRE along with the new ID].

Once the youth has obtained his/her VRE Reduced Fare Youth ID, he/she should carry it with them when riding the train. Our conductors have the right to see the ID used to purchase the discounted ticket and may issue a summons for fare evasion if it is not available.

### **SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION**

- Mail or bring the original, completed application to the Virginia Railway Express, Attn: Reduced Fare Youth ID, 1500 King Street, Suite 202, Alexandria, VA 22314
- Fax to 703-838-5422
- E-mail to [agotthardt@vre.org](mailto:agotthardt@vre.org)

After receipt of the application, ID's may take 10 business days (usually less) to process. ID's will be valid for two years, with the exception of ID's processed for youths turning 19 during the two year window who will receive an ID that expires at the end of the month they turn 19. Notification will be made via the e-mail address provided on the application if there is a problem in processing. Failure to provide an e-mail address will cause a delay. **A .jpg "headshot" is needed for the ID. This should be sent to [agotthardt@vre.org](mailto:agotthardt@vre.org) or you may come to the above-stated address to have your photo taken.** During the application process, patrons will need to pay full fare. No refunds will be provided.

### **REPLACING LOST VRE REDUCED FARE ID CARDS**

If you lose your VRE Reduced Fare Youth ID, you may obtain a replacement. A fee of \$25.00 is charged for the first replacement and \$35.00 for each subsequent replacement. The fee may be waived upon receipt of a police report documenting theft of the VRE Reduced Fare Youth ID.

### **RENEWING VRE REDUCED FARE ID CARDS**

Approximately sixty (60) days before the card expires [for youths who will still be 18 or under], please visit our website at [vre.org](http://vre.org) or contact our offices at 703-684-1001 to determine what will be needed to renew (i.e., updated contact information and a new jpg "headshot"). Please note that our vendors will not be able to sell tickets to patrons carrying expired ID's and have been instructed to collect them for return to VRE.