

## **The Bus, My New Trust**

I was recently married and we moved down to Provo to finish up my last year of schooling there. With this rough economy I applied for jobs just about anywhere. After a lot of work, and I'm sad to admit, a lot of driving around...to interviews etc. I landed a job in Downtown Salt Lake City! A problem was created here though, my wife works in South Jordan, I now work in Salt Lake, we live in Provo, and we only have one car! Now that wouldn't be too tough if our schedules worked together, but my job starts at 8:00 and ends at 5:00 everyday and hers begins at 9:00 Monday Wednesday Friday and 11:00 Tuesday Thursday and leaving times are varied. What were we to do... We looked at our options and saw that she was going to put in a lot of overtime (which her employer wouldn't approve of) or we were going to do a lot of driving (have her drop me off in Salt Lake from Provo, return to South Jordan and return to pick me up at the end of the day, then home to Provo). After deciding that those options were both less than desirable we looked to public transit (we should have looked there first). We found that Route 801 the Express bus from Provo to Salt Lake picked me up not a mile from our apartment and dropped me off not a mile from my work! We decided to go with that option and now everything is working out great. Instead of driving to work everyday I get to sit back, relax, read a book, do some studying and sometimes... well, every time, catch a little nap on the way. It really is the best way to commute to work, plus I reunited with a friend that I haven't seen in seven years just this morning on the bus! True that sometimes it may take a little longer to arrive at your destination, but riding the bus is much more fun and incredibly more time productive because you don't have to focus on the road... you can even safely text message while traveling!

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