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RIDE AMTRAK AND ENJOY GETTING AROUND WITHOUT DRIVING Save 20% on train travel in Illinois, Michigan and Missouri

CHICAGO – Amtrak has ways to avoid driving, have fun and save money with 20 percent discounts on several Midwestern trains for travel from now through March 31.

Discounts are available on Amtrak routes between Chicago and downstate Illinois, including on *Lincoln Service*, *Illinois Zephyr/Carl Sandburg*, and *Illini/Saluki*. In addition, savings are available on *Wolverine Service*, *Blue Water*, and *Pere Marquette* routes between Michigan and Chicago and on the *Missouri River Runner* between Kansas City and St. Louis.

Complete your plans now for the lowest fares and best schedules, since these routes are heavily travelled and Amtrak has set <u>ridership records</u> for nine of the last ten years.

Terms and conditions vary, but big savings are possible by <u>booking</u> through the "Deals" tab at Amtrak.com, by calling 800-USA-RAILor by visiting a staffed Amtrak station. Below are just a few of the special prices available (adult fares, each way, as low as):

Chicago	То	Springfield	\$16.00	Chicago	То	Detroit	\$26.40
Chicago	To	St. Louis	\$20.80	Chicago	То	Grand Rapids	\$24.80
Chicago	To	Carbondale	\$26.40	Chicago	То	Port Huron	\$22.40
Chicago	То	Quincy	\$21.60	Kansas City	То	St. Louis	\$23.20

Ticketing can be done using <u>Amtrak eTicketing</u> and your boarding documents can be self-printed printed at home or office, or at a staffed station or by using an Amtrak Quik-TrakSM kiosk. Some blackout dates apply and other applicable restrictions, including advance reservation and purchase requirements are displayed on <u>Amtrak.com</u>.

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