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Get ready to discuss redesigning your transit network. Over the next 15 months, SacRT Forward will evaluate existing transit network and regional travel patterns to determine changes needed to significantly improve mobility and connectivity in the Sacramento region.

The ultimate goal is to provide service to destinations where people want to go. The SacRT Forward plan will rethink the purpose and design of SacRT's entire transit network, taking a "blank slate" approach at how to position transit competitively in today's diverse communities. Transit can serve many different goals, but people and communities value these goals differently. Understanding which goals matter most in the region is a key step in updating the transit network, that's why public engagement and outreach will play a vital role in the process.

The SacRT Forward outreach plan will engage stakeholders and the public at large in ongoing discussions through a series of online questionnaires, pop-up and virtual workshops, and community open houses throughout the entire process. For more information about the project and to sign up for updates, visit sacrt.com and click on the SacRT Forward link, or send an email to sacrforward@sacrt.com.

All SacRT Tickets and Passes Now Available on "ZipPass"

SacRT's mobile fare app is now more convenient than ever! Now you can purchase all SacRT tickets and passes on ZipPass. The free app has been expanded to include all SacRT basic and discount monthly and semi-monthly passes, including the new \$20 Student Monthly Pass. ZipPass can be downloaded for free on your smartphone through the App Store or Google Play.

Best of all, there is no need to worry about cash or paper tickets. Simply flash your active pass to the operator when boarding buses or have it ready for visual inspection when riding trains. You can ride buses and light rail trains for 90 minutes using a valid

single ride ticket. Just make sure to have enough battery life on your smartphone before starting your trip.

For more information, visit sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

April G1C Service Calendar – Kings Fans Ride Free to the Final Home Game

SacRT is your convenient way to get to arena events, with light rail stops just one block from Golden 1 Center. When an event ends after SacRT's regular service hours, which is approximately midnight, special service trains will operate for up to 45 minutes post-event (end of game and/or last encore) on the Blue Line and Gold Line. For example, if a game ends at 10 p.m., two special trips will operate between 10 p.m. and 10:45 p.m. on both lines.

SacRT will only operate extended service to Folsom stations (Hazel, Iron Point, Glenn and Historic Folsom) for major events and Kings home games. Regular City of Folsom service ends at approximately 7 p.m. on most nights. Make sure to check the Service Calendar at gosacrt.com before parking for late night events. For more frequent service and extended security hours, Folsom, Cameron Park and El Dorado Hills customers should park and ride from the Sunrise Station. All other light rail lines and stations have late night service.

SacRT will offer a Free Ride Day and extended service on Wednesday, April 11, for Kings fans attending the final home game of the season. Attendees can ride free on SacRT buses and light rail trains with a printed or electronic event ticket.

For all other April events, SacRT will operate on a regular schedule (no City of Folsom extended service).

Clean Air Awards to Honor Best of Sacramento

Each year in May, Breathe California Sacramento Region celebrates and thanks Clean Air Champions for their outstanding efforts to help improve air quality in the Sacramento region. Breathe Fest is the new home of the annual Clean Air Awards. The unique festival format brings together Clean Air Champions with local music, farm-to-fork food, craft beer, interactive experiences, and more, to inspire a community of environmental progress.

Breathe Fest unites Sacramento's social, political, and business leaders. The event encourages them to forge relationships, spawn new ideas, tackle obstacles, and to sustain momentum toward our clean-air future. This year, Breathe Fest will be held on Thursday, May 10 at the California Museum from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. To purchase tickets or for more information, visit sacbreathe.org/breathefest.

SacRT provides convenient light rail service to the California Museum on the Blue Line and Gold Line – both serve the Archives Plaza Station. For route and schedule information, visit sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

Look for SacRT's Rolling Art in a Community Near You

SacRT is continually looking for ways to improve the riders' experience and contribute to the beautification of Sacramento. To help accomplish this, SacRT in partnership with the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission recently unveiled four light rail trains that have been wrapped with art designed by four local artists: Ruby Chacón, Linda Nunes, Kerri Warner and Donine Wellman.

The artists were selected from a juried registry based on their individual bodies of work that would suit the scale of light rail trains. Each of the four wrapped light rail vehicles is unique in style, color and design, reflecting the diversity of Sacramento. The colorful masterpieces are traveling throughout the Sacramento region on both the Blue Line and Gold Line for your enjoyment.

SmaRT Ride Service Expands to Orangevale and Antelope

SmaRT Ride is SacRT's new technology-based microtransit on-demand shuttle service, which debuted in the City of Citrus Heights in February. Due to the success of the service in Citrus Heights, SacRT is expanding SmaRT Ride into Orangevale and Antelope, a portion of Fair Oaks and to the Historic Folsom light rail station starting on Monday, April 23.

SmaRT Ride enables customers to hail rides on smaller, neighborhood friendly-sized buses in real-time using a smartphone app. Similar to ride-hailing models, a shuttle will pick up riders wherever they are and take them where they want to go in the designated service area.

Customers are encouraged to download the Microtransit app by TransLōc to schedule a same-day trip within the City limits of Citrus Heights and starting Monday, April 23, in Orangevale and Antelope. To better ensure that SmaRT Ride service is accessible to persons that may not have access to a smartphone, SacRT has dispatchers ready and waiting to accept phone (916-556-0258) and online (ondemand.transloc.com) reservations.

A ride is confirmed after a customer inputs their current location along with their desired destination and then submits the request. The Microtransit app will provide a pick-up time and estimated arrival time, and riders can track their bus in real-time. SmaRT Ride service is available from 6 a.m. until 9 p.m., Monday through Friday,

The affordability is the best part of Smart Ride. The cost of a single ride is very competitive – customers only pay SacRT’s fixed-route fare. A single ride is just \$2.75 or \$1.35 for seniors, students and individuals with disabilities. All SacRT fare media is accepted, including single ride tickets, daily and monthly passes, Connect Card, mobile fare app and cash.

Not only is Smart Ride more economical than other ride-hailing services, but it’s 100% accessible to the ADA community. All Smart Ride shuttle buses are equipped with wheelchair lifts and securements. Visit sacrt.com/smartride or call 916-321-BUSS (2877) for details.

Help Design the New Dos Rios Station

SacRT is looking for community input as part of an effort to design the new Dos Rios Station. The Portland State University Center for Public Interest Design (CPID) is working alongside SacRT to help further refine the design planned for North 12th Street in the City of Sacramento. The future station will be served by the Blue Line.

Please join us for an upcoming design charrette, which is an intense and fun brainstorming session. SacRT and CPID will engage participant to help define key interests and viewpoints, discuss stations design concepts and move toward a direction that represents the stakeholder’s consensus.

The charrette will be held on Tuesday, April 10, from 3 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. with an optional site tour at 2 p.m. (to participate in the site tour, meet at the corner of North 12th Street and Sproule Avenue). The Charrette will take place at the Smythe Academy Auditorium located at 700 Dos Rios Street, Sacramento. Light refreshments will be served. For additional information about the project and to sign up for updates, visit sacrt.com/apps/dos-rios-light-rail-station.