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**November 2022**

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**SacRT Offering System-Wide Free Ride Day to Drive the Vote**

SacRT has teamed up with Sacramento County to drive community members to vote center and ballot drop box locations across the Sacramento region to help Drive the Vote.

SacRT is offering free rides system-wide on all fixed-route bus (including Elk Grove and Folsom), light rail, Causeway Connection, Rancho CordoVan, SmaRT Ride, SacRT GO paratransit services, and SacRT e-van on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022. No flyer or exemption code is necessary to ride free.

To find your voting location and plan your free trip on SacRT, visit [sacrt.com/drivethevote](http://www.sacrt.com/drivethevote) or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

**Free Rides for Veterans on Veterans Day**

# Friday, November 11, 2022, is Veterans Day. To honor those who have served and/or are serving our country, SacRT is offering free rides on all SacRT fixed-route bus, light rail, Rancho CordoVan, and SmaRT Ride (all operating on regular weekday schedule). Simply print or download the free ride flyer and show your Veteran ID to ride for free.

# The following services will not operate in observance of Veterans Day: Causeway Connection, Elk Grove transit services (including SacRT e-van), or Folsom Stage Line.

# Visit sacrt.com/freerideflyer to print the flyer. Call 916-321-BUSS (2877) or visit sacrt.com for trip planning assistance.

**Ride Free to Run to Feed the Hungry**

SacRT has partnered with the Sacramento Food Bank to offer free rides on bus and light rail to and from the Run to Feed the Hungry on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24, 2022. To ride free, riders must present the free ride flyer available at sacrt.com/freerideflyer. For details about the event, please visit runtofeedthehungry.com.

Please note, SacRT will operate on a Sunday/holiday schedule for Thanksgiving Day. Check sacrt.com/planyourtrip or call 916-321-BUSS (2877). Also, several bus routes will detour due to the race: bus routes 26, 30, 67/78, 82 and 87. Get the details at sacrt.com/alerts.

**SacRT Blog - Sign Up Today**

Did you know that SacRT has a blog? The “SacRT in the Community” blog helps us connect with our riders and community through positive stories. Read our blog posts and sign up to get the latest posts delivered directly to your inbox at [sacrt.com/blog](http://sacrt.com/blog).

**SacRT Updating Station Electronic Message Boards**

SacRT has been updating electronic message boards at all light rail stations. This project is expected to be completed by early 2023. If an electronic message board is not working at a station, please visit sacrt.com or download the free Alert SacRT app (App Store or Google Play) to receive service disruption notifications.

**Coming Soon: SacRT to Seek Input on New Branding**

SacRT is developing a new brand identity and logo as part of our long-term marketing strategy. The goal of the project is to modernize SacRT’s brand and increase our visibility by helping our riders and community members better identify our vehicles and all the services we provide through consistent imagery. This is especially important as we prepare to start receiving delivery of our modern new low-floor light rail trains in the next few months.

In September, SacRT received rider and community feedback on the brand perception and knowledge of SacRT through the first public survey. Coming in November, SacRT will go back out with a second survey to get feedback on updated brand concepts. Keep an eye out for more information and visit sacrt.com/rebranding for details.

**Celebrate the Holidays this Winter in Downtown Sacramento**

The Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink is back, bringing amazing opportunities for holiday memories back to Sacramento. The Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink presented by Dignity Health, the region’s oldest and most beloved outdoor rink, opens on Wednesday, November 9, 2022, at Ali Youssefi Square (7th and K streets) in downtown Sacramento. The Downtown Ice Rink will be open through January 16, 2023.

To add to the winter festivities, and to continue a spirited holiday tradition for thousands of families throughout the region, the annual Theatre of Lights show will return this year to the Old Sacramento Waterfront. Theatre of Lights is an electrifying and family-friendly show that debuts on Wednesday, November 23, 2022 (Thanksgiving eve), immediately following the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at Front and K streets at 6 p.m. After the debut night, two performances are offered on Thursdays through Sundays at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

For more information about the Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink, Theatre of Lights, and more downtown holiday events, visit GoDowntownSac.com. Avoid parking hassles and take SacRT to these fun holiday events. For trip planning assistance, visit sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

**Ride Free on the SacRT Holiday Bus**

SacRT will continue its annual holiday tradition by offering free rides on the SacRT Holiday bus beginning Thursday, December 1, 2022 through Monday, January 2, 2023. The decorated 40-foot bus will travel on various routes throughout the region.

Passengers will have the opportunity to deposit a donation in the farebox (cash or check accepted) or scan the on-board QR code to donate. This year’s donations benefit the Front Street Animal Shelter in Sacramento.

View the schedule to find out when the Holiday Bus will be traveling to a neighborhood near you!

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| Date | Day | Routes |
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| 12/1/2022 | Thursday | 246, 106, 51 |
| 12/2/2022 | Friday | 82 |
| 12/3/2022 | Saturday | 11 |
| 12/4/2022 | Sunday | 1 |
| 12/5/2022 | Monday | 67, 68 |
| 12/6/2022 | Tuesday | 86 |
| 12/7/2022 | Wednesday | 13 |
| 12/8/2022 | Thursday | F10 |
| 12/9/2022 | Friday | 138 |
| 12/10/2022 | Saturday | Santa Parade |
| 12/11/2022 | Sunday | 19 |
| 12/12/2022 | Monday | 56, 62 |
| 12/13/2022 | Tuesday | 75, 78 |
| 12/14/2022 | Wednesday | E110 |
| 12/15/2022 | Thursday | 15, 88, 1 |
| 12/16/2022 | Friday | 23 |
| 12/17/2022 | Saturday | Front Street Animal Shelter Pop-Up Event |
| 12/18/2022 | Sunday | 142 |
| 12/19/2022 | Monday | 30, 38 |
| 12/20/2022 | Tuesday | 61 |
| 12/21/2022 | Wednesday | 25 |
| 12/22/2022 | Thursday | 72, 161, 84, 26 |
| 12/23/2022 | Friday | 21 |
| 12/24/2022 | Saturday | 15, 23 |
| 12/25/2022 | Sunday | 81 |
| 12/26/2022 | Monday (Holiday Observed) | 21 |
| 12/27/2022 | Tuesday | 25 |
| 12/28/2022 | Wednesday | 93, 113 |
| 12/29/2022 | Thursday | 81 |
| 12/30/2022 | Friday | 72 |
| 12/31/2022 | Saturday | 51 |
| 1/1/2023 | Sunday | 30, 38 |
| 1/2/2023 | Monday (Holiday Observed) | 87 |

Learn more at sacrt.com/holidaybus.

**Rider Alert (gray box)**

**Blue Line Service Disruption**

The Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) is scheduled to replace cables over the American River Bridge on Sunday, November 6, 2022 from 6 a.m. to midnight. Due to the work required, electricity must be shut off in the vicinity temporarily disrupting SacRT light rail service from the Cathedral Square (10th & K) light rail station to the Marconi/Arcade light rail station. Special shuttle buses will transport passengers between 11th & K, 12th & I, Alkali Flat/La Valencia, Globe, Arden/Del Paso, Royal Oaks and Swanston stations. Visit sacrt.com/alerts or call 916-321-BUSS (2877) for more information.

**SacRT Holiday Service (this section is also part of the rider alert in gray box)**

Veterans Day (Friday, November 11)

SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail and SmaRT Ride will operate regular service. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove transit services (including SacRT e-van), or Folsom Stage Line.

Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 24)

SacRT fixed-route buses and light rail trains will operate on a Sunday/holiday schedule. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove transit services, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan or SmaRT Ride.

Day After Thanksgiving (Friday, November 25)

SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan and SmaRT Ride will operate regular service. No service on Causeway Connection or Elk Grove transit services.

Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25)

SacRT fixed-route buses and light rail trains will operate on a Sunday/holiday schedule. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove transit services, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan or SmaRT Ride.

Christmas Day Observed (Monday, December 26)

SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail, Elk Grove transit services, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan and SmaRT Ride will operate regular service. No service on Causeway Connection.

**SacRT Now Serves Sky River Casino**

SacRT's Elk Grove transit services bus route E110 now stops near the Sky River Casino. The new stop is located on southbound Promenade Parkway, just south of Bilby Road. During the weekday (Mon - Fri), the route operates every 30 minutes, and hourly on Saturdays. There is no Sunday/holiday service. Visit sacrt.com/ElkGroveTransit for times and route map.