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## SacRT on the Move – Short-Range Transit Plan

SacRT's Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) update is advancing to the next step with the scheduling of two virtual open houses this month! SacRT encourages riders and the entire community to be involved in this important process as we consider the trends and conditions in today's Sacramento region.

SacRT has spent several months planning, analyzing and discussing ideas to establish what we think service should look like over the next five years, if and when additional operating funds become available. SacRT is always searching for additional revenue sources in order to provide the best transit service to the region, and we need to be prepared with a functional and sound plan to move forward with if that comes to fruition.

The virtual open houses will allow SacRT to share updates on the plan thus far and provides an opportunity for the community to voice their thoughts and ideas. Events will be held via Zoom during the following days and times:

- Wednesday November 10, 2021:  
6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Wednesday November 17, 2021:  
2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

SacRT continues to look closely at where we stand post-SacRT Forward, and post-pandemic; therefore, it is important to hear from the greater Sacramento community. We encourage your participation at one of our virtual events! For questions, please contact Sarah Poe, SacRT Planner at [spoe@sacrt.com](mailto:spoe@sacrt.com) or visit [sacrt.com/SRTP](http://sacrt.com/SRTP) for more information and Zoom links.

## Free Rides to COVID-19 Vaccination Locations

SacRT has extended free transit rides to scheduled COVID-19 vaccine appointments through Friday, December 31, 2021. SacRT began offering free rides on March 1, 2021. The free rides include all vaccination sites in Sacramento County within SacRT's service area, including hospitals, pharmacies, and other immunization locations.



To ride free, you only need to show a COVID-19 vaccine appointment confirmation in the form of an email, text or vaccine card, which will serve as valid fare only on the date noted in your appointment confirmation to ride SacRT's fixed-route bus, light rail, Elk Grove Transit, Folsom Stage Line, Smart Ride or SacRT GO Paratransit Services. Please note: free rides are not available for SacRT's contracted services (Rancho CordoVan).

When boarding a bus, show the operator either a printout or screenshot on a smart-phone, or have ready to show a fare inspector when riding light rail. SacRT requires anyone riding transit, or visiting the SacRT Customer Service and Sales Center located at 1225 R Street, to wear a mask.

Visit [sacrt.com/covid19](http://sacrt.com/covid19) for more on our COVID-19 precautions.

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## Make the Holidays Magical in Downtown Sacramento

Celebrate the holidays this winter in downtown Sacramento. After pausing for a season in 2020, both the Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink and Theatre of Lights are 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 Veterans Day (Thursday, November 11, 2021) at Ali Youssefi Square (7th and K streets) in downtown Sacramento. The Downtown Ice Rink will be open Tuesday through Sunday until January 16, 2022.

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. Also, presented by Dignity Health, Theatre of Lights is an electrifying and family-friendly show that debuts on Wednesday, November 24, 2021 (Thanksgiving eve), immediately following the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony at Front & 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](http://GoDowntownSac.com). Avoid parking hassles and take SacRT to these fun holiday events. For trip planning assistance, visit [sacrt.com](http://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 Wednesday, December 1, 2021 through Sunday, January 2, 2022. 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) benefiting a local charity to be announced in the coming weeks.

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

Date	Day	Route
12/1/2021	Wednesday	51
12/2/2021	Thursday	82
12/3/2021	Friday	1
12/4/2021	Saturday	11
12/5/2021	Sunday	67, 68
12/6/2021	Monday	86, 25
12/7/2021	Tuesday	13
12/8/2021	Wednesday	19
12/9/2021	Thursday	15, 88, 1
12/10/2021	Friday	81
12/11/2021	Saturday	Santa Parade
12/12/2021	Sunday	21
12/13/2021	Monday	56, 62
12/14/2021	Tuesday	75, 78
12/15/2021	Wednesday	25
12/16/2021	Thursday	72, 161, 84, 26
12/17/2021	Friday	142
12/18/2021	Saturday	87
12/19/2021	Sunday	84, 26
12/20/2021	Monday	30, 38
12/21/2021	Tuesday	61
12/22/2021	Wednesday	67, 68
12/23/2021	Thursday	21
12/24/2021	Friday	15, 23
12/25/2021	Saturday (Holiday)	81

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Date	Day	Route
12/26/2021	Sunday	23, 15, 88
12/27/2021	Monday	25
12/28/2021	Tuesday	93, 30, 38
12/29/2021	Wednesday	81
12/30/2021	Thursday	11
12/31/2021	Friday	51
1/1/2022	Saturday (Holiday)	1
1/2/2022	Sunday	86, 87

## Rider Alert

### Sunday/Holiday Schedule

**Veterans Day (Thursday, November 11)**  
SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail, Folsom Stage Line and SmaRT Ride will operate regular service. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove transit or Rancho CordoVan.

**Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 25)**  
SacRT fixed-route buses and light rail trains will operate on a Sunday/Holiday schedule. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove transit, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan or SmaRT Ride.

**Day After Thanksgiving (Friday, November 26)**  
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.

**Christmas Day Observed (Friday, December 24)**  
SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail, Elk Grove transit, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan and SmaRT Ride will operate regular service. No service on Causeway Connection.

**Christmas Day (Saturday, December 25)**  
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