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SacRT's Love Letter to the Community: Lower Fares

Great news! On Monday, October 1, SacRT will lower its fares for the first time in its 47-year history. Funds made available from cost-cutting measures and operational efficiency savings has allowed SacRT to give back to the communities in which we love and serve by reducing fares. This is a positive step towards making our system more affordable and accessible.

The basic single ride will decrease by 25 cents from \$2.75 to \$2.50, and the discount single ride will decrease by 10 cents from \$1.35 to \$1.25. The basic monthly pass will decrease by \$10 from \$110 to \$100, the discount monthly pass will decrease by \$5 from \$55 to \$50, the paratransit single ride will decrease by 50 cents from \$5.50 to \$5, and the super senior fare will decrease by \$2 from \$42 to \$40.

Transfer tickets will also be re-implemented. For just 25 cents, riders who purchase a single ride ticket with cash can transfer between bus and light rail, light rail to bus or bus to bus. Riders are already able to transfer for free using electronic fare media such as ZipPass or Connect Card.

Prepaid tickets that were purchased by customers at the previous rate will not be exchanged or refunded; however, customers can continue to use prepaid tickets in the future until the expiration date.

Fares	Previous Fare	New Fare
Basic Single Ride	\$2.75	\$2.50
Discount Single Ride	\$1.35	\$1.25
Paratransit Single Ride	\$5.50	\$5.00
Basic Monthly Pass	\$110	\$100
Basic Semi-Monthly Pass	\$60	\$50
Discount Monthly Pass/Sticker	\$55	\$50

Discount Semi-Monthly Pass/Sticker	\$30	\$25
Super Senior Monthly Pass/Sticker (age 75+)	\$42	\$40
Transfer Ticket	N/A	\$0.25

SacRT in the Community

Enjoy a Brew Debut in Rancho Cordova

Take SacRT to the first ever Barrel District Experience in Rancho Cordova on Saturday, October 6. Boasting six breweries, two distilleries and the only meadery around, the Barrel District and Rancho Cordova Chamber of Commerce present this inaugural event that also features food pairings and a variety of entertainment elements. Most locations are within walking distance of the Butterfield, Sunrise or Hazel light rail stations. For a map, additional information and to purchase tickets, visit BarrelDistrict.com.

Rio Velo, A Sacramento Bicycle Festival

Take the special Green Line train to Rio Velo, A Sacramento Bicycle Festival being held at the Township 9 Park in the River District on Saturday, October 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Township 9 Park is located at the American River and North 7th Street along the two Rivers Bike Trail. Rio Velo celebrates bicycles, the rivers and the people who love them. The free festival features daredevil stunts, bike safety training, bike and rodeo activities for kids, exhibits, electric bike test rides, live music and a variety of food trucks. Festival attendees can hop on the special Green Line train for free with or without a bike. The special service train will operate on Saturday for this event, between the 13th Street Station and the 7th & Richards/Township 9 Station from 10:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. For event information, visit riovelo.com.

The Del Paso Boulevard Fall Street Faire

On Saturday, October 20, SacRT, along with the Del Paso Boulevard Partnership, Councilman Allen Warren, and the Vida de Oro Foundation, will host a free fall street fair on Del Paso Boulevard between Winnipeg and Forrest streets. The festival runs from noon until 6 p.m. and features a full day of fun activities, including a pie eating contest, pie baking contest, kids costume contest, dog costume contest, pumpkin carving/painting contest, food trucks, spirit drinks, crafters, artists and an exciting blend of local bands. Ride SacRT to the event for free. Simply download the free ride flyer by visiting sacrt.com. Take bus route 15 or ride light rail to the Arden/Del Paso Station.

Ride SacRT to the Kings Season Opener Game for Free

Relax and let SacRT do the driving! On Wednesday, October 17, ride free to the Kings first regular season home game against the Utah Jazz with your valid admission ticket (print or electronic copy). SacRT is your family-friendly way to get to Golden 1 Center events with light rail stops within one block from the arena.

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 concert ends at 11 p.m., two special trips to Folsom will operate between 11 p.m. and 11:45 p.m. As a reminder, SacRT expanded Folsom late night light rail service hours in June. The last regularly scheduled weekday light rail train to Folsom departs the 7th & Capitol Station at 10:24 p.m.

SacRT Forward Update

The SacRT Forward team has developed two draft Alternatives for the Sacramento region's future transit network. These Alternatives have been developed based upon technical analysis, best practices in the transit planning industry, and what we heard from stakeholders and the community this past spring.

We need to hear from you again! Please join us this October and November for a series of pop-up workshops, a virtual community workshop, and a public open house to learn about the proposed Alternatives, ask questions, and share your thoughts to help plan for the Sacramento region's future transit network. Visit sacrtforward.com to learn more about the project, find out where a pop-up workshop will be held in your area, and sign up for updates.

Unmet Transit Needs

Whether you ride daily, occasionally, or haven't tried transit yet, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is looking for feedback on our region's bus, dialaride, paratransit and light rail transit services. SACOG accepts transit needs related comments from any area in the counties of Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba.

What are your thoughts on local transit service? Would you like to use it for more trips, but don't because of issues like where it goes, the schedule or cost? Are there places you really need to go but cannot currently? Please give us your thoughts by attending an Unmet Transit Needs meeting or by relaying your comments to SACOG. The Unmet Transit Needs meetings are scheduled to begin in October. Visit sacog.org/unmet-transit-needs for dates and locations.

Proposal to Transfer Folsom Stage Line Service to SacRT

The City of Folsom and SacRT are working collaboratively to annex Folsom's public transit service into the larger SacRT system. This continues a strong partnership between the City and SacRT that brought light rail to Folsom in 2005, extended night service in 2018 and is working to increase light rail service frequency to every 15 minutes.

The City of Folsom will host an Open House to discuss SacRT's proposal on Wednesday, October 10 from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Senior and Arts Center, located at 48 Natoma Street. Staff from both the City of Folsom and SacRT will be available to discuss the proposed annexation, answer any questions, and seek input.

As part of the proposal, SacRT is committed to a seamless transition with no impact to current riders. Service levels will be maintained or improved, and there are no short-term plans to make changes to the existing bus service, Stage Line branding, or fares. All current Folsom Stage Line staff will be offered similar positions within SacRT. For more information, contact Matt Mauk at 916-461-6754 or mmauk@folsom.ca.us.