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# SEE IT HEAR IT REPORT IT



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#### Safety is Everyone's Business

Regional Transit (RT) has never been more safe or efficient. RT has invested in new technology and training techniques in order to provide a level of security necessary to deter criminal activity or disruptive behavior.

Despite better training and advanced technology, crime and the threat of terrorism are realities in America and across the world today. But one of the strongest weapons RT and law enforcement have to keep the system safe is the constant attention of our passengers.

By recognizing suspicious behavior and being aware of your surroundings, you can help keep yourself and other passengers safe.

If you see or hear anything while on the system that is unsafe, suspicious or illegal, report it to authorities.







#### Report Suspicious Items & Packages

Personal items are lost or left unattended each day on RT and most are ordinary, everyday items. However, RT employees and riders must stay alert for possible suspicious items or packages that may pose a threat.

Bags, boxes or briefcases placed in outof-the-way locations such as underneath vending machines, difficult to access areas of a bus or light rail train, or behind trash containers, should be reported.

Characteristics of suspicious packages may include: attached messages; visible batteries or wires; a ticking, buzzing or sloshing sound; or stains, leaks or powdery residue.

If you think an item may be suspicious, do not touch it. Leave the area immediately and report the location and description of the package to authorities.







#### **Stay Safe Riding RT**

Be aware of your surroundings. By taking precaution and making small changes in your riding behavior, you are less likely to be targeted by criminals.

Walk confidently. Avoid carrying unnecessary items. Hold purses and briefcases close to your body. Be particularly careful when using personal electronic devices – they are coveted by thieves. Consider leaving valuables at home, and carry your wallet and keys in your front pocket.

When riding light rail, stay near other patrons. During off-hours, ride in the first train car to be closer to the operator. If someone bothers you, notify the operator and move to another seat. When walking to your car, have your keys ready, and check the interior and exterior for possible intruders. When you enter your car, lock the doors.

During late hours, try to avoid isolated bus stops and stand with others in well-lit areas while waiting. Once onboard, sit near the driver, who can contact a dispatcher if trouble occurs.







## Report Suspicious People & Activity

Thousands of people ride RT each day with diverse backgrounds and appearances. Suspicious behaviors can include unusual attitudes, strange clothing, nervous behavior and adverse reactions to police or RT personnel. In most cases, suspicious activity is a combination of these behaviors.

Look out for individuals who may display attitudes that seem strange for the surroundings; wear a disguise or clothing inconsistent with the weather; try to hide their face or conceal something on their person; or recoil from the appearance of police officers or security personnel.

Remember, if you see or hear something that is unsafe or suspicious, report it.







#### **Call or Text a Crime Tip**

Call: 916-556-0275 or Text to: 67283 (texts must begin with SacRT)

RT passengers can now report *non-emergency* crimes or suspicious activity to RT Police by calling 916-556-0275 or by sending a text to 67283 beginning with "SacRT" followed by a space and your message. Remember to save 67283 in your phone as "RT Crime Tips" for easy access later.

Examples of crimes that may be reported using the non-emergency phone or text line include public alcohol consumption, drug activity, or sale of counterfeit passes at bus stops or stations.

When a non-emergency incident is reported to the phone or text tip line, an RT security officer will receive the information and forward it to an officer on duty or the appropriate authority for follow up.

In case of emergency or an immediate danger to passengers or the public, call 9-1-1. For all RT issues not related to safety and security, call 321-BUSS (2877).