

# **NEXT STOP NEWS**

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**DECEMBER 2021** 

### We're Hiring! SacRT **Hosting Two Hiring Events**

Join SacRT for an in-person hiring event. We have dozens of career opportunities, which include medical, dental, paid sick leave and retirement benefits. Also, \$2,000 signing bonuses for bus drivers!

Be part of a winning team! SacRT was awarded the 2021 Outstanding Transit System of the Year by the American Public Transportation Association. Choose from two different in-person hiring events held in SacRT's Auditorium at 1400 29th Street in Sacramento:

- Wednesday, December 8, 2021 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 14, 2021 3 p.m. – 8 p.m.

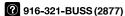
Learn more about the hiring process and what to bring with you at sacrt.com/hiringevents or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

Don't worry if you can't attend the SacRT career fair, you can apply online using our online career portal at sacrt.com/careers.

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> Email questions or comments about Next Stop News to

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## Ride SacRT's Holiday Bus Free in December 🧥

SacRT's Holiday Bus is back! In keeping with the "season of giving," the colorful 40-foot SacRT Holiday Bus is free to ride; however, passengers have the option to donate in the farebox (cash accepted), use the QR code, or link to donate online. This year, all donations will benefit Civic Thread, formerly known as WALKSacramento.

Since 1998, Civic Thread—formerly WALKSacramento—has been on a mission to empower institutionally underserved communities to achieve healthy built environments.

The SacRT Holiday Bus travels on different routes throughout the Sacramento region spreading goodwill from Wednesday, December 1, 2021 through Sunday, January 2, 2022. 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

Date	Day	Route
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
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

### SacRT on the Move. **Short-Range Transit Plan Next Steps**

Last month's Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) virtual open house events saw great attendance with over 30 members of the public participating in the events. SacRT staff successfully shared updates and provided opportunities for the community to share their thoughts and ideas about future service plans for the region. SacRT was able to obtain a multitude of comments and suggestions about the SRTP, and staff will spend the next several weeks analyzing the feedback received and preparing a draft document for public review in January 2022. For questions about the SRTP, please contact Sarah Poe, SacRT Planner, at spoe@sacrt.com or visit sacrt.com/SRTP for more information.

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# SacRT Offers Free Rides to COVID-19 Vaccination Sites

This is the last month SacRT will offer free transit rides to scheduled COVID-19 vaccine appointments. Ride free through Friday, December 31, 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 smartphone, 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 for more on our COVID-19 precautions.

### **Rider Alert**

## Christmas Day (Saturday, December 25)

SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail trains and SacRT GO will operate on a Sunday/Holiday schedule. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove transit, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan or SmaRT Ride. Note: Friday, December 24 is a regular service day.

#### **New Year's Eve (Friday, December 31)**

No service on Causeway Connection and Folsom Stage Line.

#### New Year's Day (Saturday, January 1, 2022)

SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail trains and SacRT GO will operate on a Sunday/Holiday schedule. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove Transit Services (including e-van), Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan or SmaRT Ride.

## California International Marathon Detours

On Sunday, December 5, bus service will be disrupted between 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. due to the California International Marathon. The following routes may be delayed and/or detoured: 11, 21, 23, 25, 26, 30, 38, 51, 62, 67, 68, 82, 84, 86/88, 87, and 142. Visit Sacrt.com/alerts for details.

# **Students RydeFreeRT During the Holiday Season**

Take advantage of SacRT's RydeFreeRT fare-free transit program for youth/students in grades TK through 12th during the holiday break. Ride SacRT buses and light rail trains anytime, anywhere during regular service hours to see a movie, grab a bite to eat. shop at a mall or spend time hanging out with friends. New RydeFreeRT cards for the 2021-2022 school year were distributed by schools. The new card is valid from October 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. RydeFreeRT cards are also available at local libraries and SacRT's Customer Service and Sales Center located at 1225 R Street. For more information, visit rydefreert.com. For trip planning assistance, visit sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

### Old Sacramento Waterfront New Year's Eve Sky Spectacular

Take SacRT for free to the New Year's Eve Sky Spectacular! This favorite New Year's Eve tradition is also free! Family-friendly festivities get underway at 6 p.m. on Friday, December 31, 2021. The kid's activities run along Front Street until 9 p.m., while music bands perform on the main Golden 1 Credit Union Stage up to 10 p.m. The highlight of the action is the amazing firework show that lights up the Waterfront at 9 p.m. (not midnight), so arrive early enough in order to enjoy all the festivities. To ride fixed-route bus and light rail for free, Visit sacrt.com/freerideflyer to print or screenshot the free ride flyer.

# Make the Holidays Magical in Downtown Sacramento

Celebrate the holidays in downtown Sacramento at the Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink (7th & K streets) and the Theatre of Lights at the Old Sacramento Waterfront. The Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink, the region's oldest and most beloved outdoor rink, is open Tuesday through Sunday until January 16, 2022. The annual Theatre of Lights on the Old Sacramento Waterfront is an electrifying and family-friendly show that offers two performances on Thursdays through Sundays at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. through Thursday, December 23, 2021. Additional performances are scheduled for Tuesday, December 21 and Wednesday, December 22, 2021. For more information about downtown holiday events, visit GoDowntownSac.com. Avoid parking hassles and take SacRT. For trip planning assistance, visit sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

## Free Ride on SacRT for the 2021 Santa Parade

SacRT partnered with Mix96 to offer free rides to the 38th Annual Santa Parade on Saturday, December 11, 2021, in downtown Sacramento. The parade starts at 10 a.m. Visit sacrt.com/santaparade to simply print or screenshot the free ride flyer to ride fixed-route bus and light rail for free. For your convenience, SacRT has 53 light rail stations and 22 park-and-ride lots in a 43-mile service area. On weekends, light rail trains operate every 15 minutes (except for Folsom stations, which operate every 30 minutes). Visit sacrt.com/schedules for bus and light rail schedules.