Rider Alert

SACOG Sacramento Area Council of Governments

Give Your Feedback to SACOG on Unmet Transit Needs

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is looking for feedback on our area's bus, dial-a-ride, paratransit and light rail transit services. SACOG's annual Unmet Transit Needs (UTN) Finding process has begun, with a schedule of upcoming events designed to identify transit service needs in the Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba Counties.

UTN meetings will be in-person at various community events throughout the four counties, as well virtually via Zoom.

Please visit the SACOG website at sacog.org/unmet for more information.

Next Stop News is produced monthly by the Sacramento Regional Transit District to keep passengers informed about current SacRT news and community events.

> Email questions or comments about Next Stop News to nextstopnews@sacrt.com

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REGIONAL TRANSIT

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Watch For SacRT-Rex This Halloween

SacRT's very own SacRT-Rex will be riding transit and handing out treats the week of Halloween. No tricks required, SacRT-Rex just wants to have some fun and greet passengers.

Ride SacRT for Free to Celebrate Clean Air Day

In celebration of California Clean Air Day, SacRT is offering systemwide free rides on Wednesday, October 4, 2023. The free rides include fixed-route bus, light rail, on-demand SmaRT Ride shuttles, SacRT GO paratransit service, and e-van service. To plan your free ride on SacRT, visit sacrt.com/planyourtrip or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

As a transit agency, SacRT is working every day to get people to their destinations while reducing pollution in the region. Join SacRT and take the pledge to spare the air on October 4th!

Sign up to take the California Clean Air Day pledge at sacrt.com/cleanairday.







SacRT is currently working on completing station platform modifications along the Gold Line to meet the height requirements of the new low-floor light rail trains. SacRT has completed platform modifications at 14 Gold Line stations to date.

Here is a list of upcoming light rail service disruptions for the month of October.

Weekend of September 30 and October 1, 2023 (Watt/Manlove Station Construction) Gold Line: Bus bridge between Power Inn and Butterfield stations.

Weekend of October 7 and 8, 2023 No service disruptions due to the Aftershock Festival.

Weekend of October 14 and 15, 2023

(Glenn Station Construction) Gold Line: Bus bridge between Hazel and Historic Folsom stations.

Weekend of October 21 and 22, 2023 – No service disruptions due to Ironman California.

Weekend of October 28 and 29 – (Starfire Station Construction) Gold Line: Bus bridge between Watt/Manlove and Butterfield stations.

This phase of construction along the Gold Line is expected to be completed by spring 2024. Bus bridges will be in place most weekends through March 2024 while construction takes place at different stations.

Learn more at sacrt.com/stationclosure.



Join Us at a SacRT GO Open House

SacRT staff is hosting two SacRT GO paratransit services open house events this month, one virtual and one in-person.

Virtual: Friday, October 13, 2023 10 a.m. Visit sacrtgo.com for login details.

In-person: Saturday, October 14, 2023 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Pannell Meadowview Community Center 2450 Meadowview Rd., Sacramento, CA 95832 (accessible by bus route 56). Meet and greet with SacRT staff about:

- SacRT GO paratransit services
- SmaRT Ride on-demand microtransit services
- Open question and answer session

Visit sacrtgo.com for more information or call 916-321-BUSS (2877), option 2 then option 2. To request an accessible format or an accommodation please contact the Accessible Services department at 916-321-BUSS (2877) Option 2 then Option 1, by October 11, 2023, at 1 p.m.

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Calling All Students! Share Your RydeFreeRT Story and Win Big!

Are you a student who has experienced the incredible benefits of the RydeFreeRT program? Do you want to showcase how and why fare-free transit is a game-changer for you and our community? Here's your chance to make an impact and win fantastic prizes!

Send your positive video by Monday, October 23, 2023. The top videos will be announced and posted on SacRT's social media channels on Friday, October 27, 2023. The top three winners (who get the most "likes") will be announced on Friday, November 3, 2023. Learn more about video requirements at sacrt.com/studentvideo.

How to Do Business with SacRT

SacRT is offering a free webinar for potential vendors to share How to Do Business with SacRT in October. SacRT purchases supplies such as IT equipment, furniture, office equipment and supplies, bus and rail parts and related supplies, janitorial supplies, and PPE to name a few. We also procure services such as janitorial, pest control, equipment, facility repair and preventive maintenance, printing, various professional and engineering services, and construction projects along the light rail system and other district facilities.

Join Us: Thursday, October 12, 2023 9 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Register and learn more at sacrt.com/business.

Free Rides on SacRT to Local Events in October

Many events are coming to the Sacramento region this October! SacRT is here to help you with hassle-free transportation! For select events, SacRT is offering free rides on fixed-route bus and light rail. Learn more at sacrt.com/freerideflyer and download the flyer to attend the list of events below.

Aftershock – Thursday, October 5 – Sunday, October 8, 2023

To reduce traffic congestion, SacRT is providing free rides on fixed-route bus and light rail, as well as supplemental bus service for all four days of the Aftershock concert at Discovery Park. Buses will travel between the 8th & K bus stop in downtown Sacramento to and from the stop located in front of the ARCO station on Jibboom Street (near Discovery Park). Visit sacrt.com/aftershock for the shuttle bus schedule. To ride free, concert goers need to show a valid admission wristband.

Golden Sky – Saturday, October 14 and Sunday, October 15, 2023

To reduce traffic congestion, SacRT is providing free rides on fixed-route bus and light rail, as well as supplemental bus service for both days of the Golden Sky concert at Discovery Park. Buses will travel between the 8th & K bus stop in downtown Sacramento to and from the stop located in front of the ARCO station on Jibboom Street (near Discovery Park). Visit sacrt.com/goldensky for the shuttle bus schedule. To ride free, concert goers need to show valid admission.



Ironman Triathlon Sunday, October 22, 2023

The California Ironman triathlon event will bring thousands of athletes and spectators to the downtown core on Sunday, October 22, 2023. The renowned event includes a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride and a 26.2-mile marathon that will race through the streets between West Sacramento and downtown Sacramento. Event participants and spectators can ride SacRT fixed-route bus and light rail for free with the free ride flyer at sacrt.com/ironman.

Detours are expected on SacRT bus routes in the downtown area. Please allow for extra travel time on this day.

For details, please visit sacrt.com/alerts.

Other Events

Ride Free to other local events with a free ride flyer, including the **Golden Harvest Festival** on Saturday, October 28 and the **Sacramento Children's Museum Trick or Treat event** on Tuesday, October 31!

Visit sacrt.com/freerideflyer to download the free ride flyer.

