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Ride and Glide to the Holiday Ice Rink

Ride light rail (Blue Line, Gold Line or Green Line) to the St. Rose of Lima Park (7th & K or 9th & K) Station, or take Route 11, 15, 30, 38, 51, 62, 86 or 88 into the heart of downtown for some holiday magic at the 24th annual Downtown Holiday Ice Rink. Located at 7th and K streets, the open air rink is the perfect place to celebrate the holidays and create lasting memories with family, friends and loved ones through Monday, January 18, 2016.

There are several special events planned for the Downtown Holiday Ice Rink this holiday season, including “Ride-and-Glide with RT” day. Ride RT to downtown Sacramento on Saturday, January 9, 2016, show your valid RT ticket or pass at the ice rink ticket booth and receive a free skate rental (\$2 value).

For more information about the ice rink, visit godowntownsac.com/icerink. For route and schedule information, visit sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

RT Celebrates a “Season of Civil Rights ... It All Started on a Bus”

RT is celebrating its 8th annual Season of Civil Rights with a series of events during the months of December, January and February to build awareness of the significant role that transit has played in the American Civil Rights Movement.

The campaign starts on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, and promotes a number of regional activities and events to raise awareness about civil rights.

“I Am the Dream and the Dream Is Now” Art and Poetry Contest: November 1 through December 11, 2015

In preparation for the Season of Civil Rights, RT invites students in grades 3 through 12, who attend a school within RT’s service area, to participate in the “I Am the Dream and the Dream Is Now” art and poetry contest. Submitted artwork and poems must address the theme of both transit and civil rights.

Season of Civil Rights Commemorative Bus: December 2015 through February 2016

An RT bus with large exterior images of Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr. will travel on different routes throughout the Sacramento region during the Season of Civil Rights campaign.

35th Annual Capitol March for the Dream and Diversity Expo: Monday, January 18, 2016

Rain or shine, RT employees will make the six-mile trek to the Sacramento Convention Center to participate in the annual Capitol March for the Dream and Diversity Expo where winning entries from RT's I Am the Dream and the Dream Is Now art and poetry contest and RT's "Old Blue" historic bus will be on display. For more information, visit mlk365.org

17th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Dinner: Saturday, February 6, 2016

RT is proud to be a sponsor of the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Dinner, which serves to preserve his memory and commitment to equal justice. The event will take place at the Sheraton Grand Sacramento. For more information, visit mlkcelebrationsacramento.org.

For more information about RT's Season of Civil Rights campaign, visit sacrt.com and click on the Season of Civil Rights link.

Green Line to the Airport Community Open House

Join RT at a community open house meeting to learn about the Green Line to the Airport light rail extension project and offer your input. Your comments will help the environmental planning process. The Green Line will extend light rail service from the 7th & Richards/Township 9 Station to the Sacramento International Airport, and provide vital connections to various locations throughout Sacramento, including the Natomas communities.

Staffed information stations with maps and other project materials will be available at the community open house meetings listed below. A brief presentation will begin at 6:30 p.m.

North Natomas

Tuesday, December 1

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Natomas Park Elementary School

4700 Crest Drive, Sacramento

Downtown Sacramento

Wednesday, December 2

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Downtown Sacramento Public Library
828 I Street, Sacramento

South Natomas

Thursday, December 3

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

South Natomas Community Center
2921 Truxel Road, Sacramento

For reasonable accommodation needs due to a physical disability or language interpretation services, contact Ashley Ballinger at 916-442-1168 or greenline2airport@sacrt.com. For more information, visit sacrt.com.

Ride Free on the RT Holiday Bus

As a thank you to riders and wishes for a happy holiday season, RT invites you to take a free ride on the RT Holiday Bus. Hand-painted by employees and their families, the colorful 40-foot Holiday Bus will be easy to spot as it travels on different routes throughout the Sacramento region spreading cheer from Tuesday, December 1, 2015 through Sunday, January 3, 2016.

In keeping with the “season of giving,” passengers will once again have the opportunity to deposit a cash donation in the farebox (cash or check accepted), and/or place non-perishable food items (such as canned goods, peanut butter, etc.) in RT’s special donation box. All donations will directly benefit River City Food Bank, a non-profit organization that provides emergency food and housing assistance to approximately 40,000 clients in Sacramento County annually.

For more information about River City Food Bank, call 916-446-2627 or visit rivercityfoodbank.org.

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

2015 Holiday Bus Schedule

Date Day Route

Dec. 1	Tue	93
Dec. 2	Wed	13, 88
Dec. 3	Thu	87
Dec. 4	Fri	86
Dec. 5	Sat	1
Dec. 6	Sun	15, 26
Dec. 7	Mon	82
Dec. 8	Tue	81
Dec. 9	Wed	80, 84
Dec. 10	Thu	74, 75
Dec. 11	Fri	72
Dec. 12	Sat	11, 62
Dec. 13	Sun	19
Dec. 14	Mon	67, 68
Dec. 15	Tue	65
Dec. 16	Wed	61
Dec. 17	Thu	6, 56
Dec. 18	Fri	55
Dec. 19	Sat	21, 93
Dec. 20	Sun	23
Dec. 21	Mon	54
Dec. 22	Tue	34
Dec. 23	Wed	28
Dec. 24	Thu	25
Dec. 25	Fri	30
Dec. 26	Sat	15, 26
Dec. 27	Sun	38, 86, 87
Dec. 28	Mon	24
Dec. 29	Tue	22
Dec. 30	Wed	5
Dec. 31	Thu	2
Jan. 1	Fri	51
Jan. 2	Sat	25
Jan. 3	Sun	55, 56

Rider Alert

January 2016 Service Changes

Effective Sunday, January 3, 2016, RT will implement the following service changes:

Route 80: Watt – Elkhorn
 (Weekday/Saturday Route and
 Schedule Changes)

Weekday and Saturday trip times will be adjusted to improve on time performance. On weekdays and weekends, passengers will need to board Route 80 in the bus loop instead of at the bus stop located near the disabled parking spaces at the Watt/Manlove light rail station. See new timetable for details.

Route 84: Watt – North Highlands
(Weekday/Saturday Route and
Schedule Changes)

Weekday and Saturday trip times will be adjusted to improve on time performance. Passengers will need to board Route 84 at the bus stop located near the disabled parking spaces instead of in the bus loop at the Watt/Manlove light rail station. See new timetable for details.

Route 170, 171, 172 and 173: North Natomas Flyer
(Weekday Schedule Changes)

All weekday trip times will be adjusted to improve on time performance. See new timetable for details.