**December 2022 Next Stop News**

* **Ride free to downtown holiday events**
* **Hop on SacRT’s holiday bus for a free ride**
* **Participate in a Bus Stop Improvement workshop**
* **Need a job, attend SacRT hiring events in December**

**SacRT Hiring Events for December**

SacRT is holding two in-person hiring events in December for all open SacRT positions, including bus driver positions, mechanics and transit ambassadors.

SacRT offers extremely generous and competitive benefits package for medical, dental, paid sick leave, retirement, and tuition reimbursement.

All driver (operator) positions are scheduled for pay increases in 2023 and include $2,000 sign-on bonuses! If you don't have your Commercial Driver License (CDL), SacRT will help you get it!

**WHEN:**
Tuesday, December 6, 2022
2 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Tuesday, December 13, 2022
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**WHERE:**
SacRT Administrative Building, Auditorium
 1400 29th Street
 Sacramento, CA

SacRT is offering free rides on bus and light rail to the hiring events. Visit sacrt.com/freerideflyer to print or screenshot the flyer. Visit sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877) for trip planning assistance.

**Bus Stop Improvement Open Houses** **in December**

SacRT partnered with Civic Thread (formerly Walk Sacramento) to host a series of community workshops to better understand the condition and accessibility of SacRT bus stops around the Sacramento region.

Join us for an in-person open house at the MACC building at the Mather Field/Mills Station, 10191 Mills Station Road, on Thursday, December 6, 2022, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Light rail (Gold Line) to the Mather Field/Mills Station, bus routes 21, 72, 75, and 78, and SmaRT Ride serve The MACC.

We are also hosting a virtual open house on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 pm. To register and participate in the event, visit sacrt.com/busstopimprovement.

**January 2023 Service Changes**

Effective January 1, 2023, SacRT will make minor service adjustments to the following routes:

**Route 23 (El Camino):** Monday through Friday, the inbound 3:14 p.m. trip from El Camino and Greenwood will depart at 3:30 p.m. to improve connections.

**Route 51 (Stockton/Broadway):** Monday through Friday, the time for the inbound 9:19 p.m. and 9:49 p.m. trips starting from Florin Towne Centre to 8th & F have been adjusted to improve on time performance.

**Route 72 (Rosemont):** Monday through Friday, the inbound 7:48 a.m. trip from Mather Field/Mills to Manlove will depart at 7:53 a.m. to improve connections. Monday through Friday, the inbound 7:22 a.m. trip from Rockingham and Mather will depart at 7:48 a.m. to improve connections. Monday through Friday, the inbound 7:36 a.m. trip from Rockingham and Routier will depart at 8:02 a.m. to improve connections. Monday through Friday, the outbound 3:06 p.m. trip from Branch Center will depart at 3:37 p.m. to improve connections.

**Route 81 (Florin):** Monday through Friday, the outbound 7:17 a.m. trip from Florin Towne Centre will depart at 7:44 a.m. to improve connections. Monday through Friday, the outbound 3:25 p.m. trip to Florin Towne Centre will depart at 3:35 p.m.

**Route 102 (Riverside Commuter):** Monday through Friday, the outbound 7:18 a.m. trip to Rush River will depart at 7:30 a.m. to improve connections.

Due to changes in school start and end times, all schedules will shift accordingly on the following routes: 105, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 226, 246, 247, 248, 252, and 255.

Visit sacrt.com/januaryservice for details.

**California International Marathon Detours**

On Sunday, December 4, 2022, bus services will be disrupted between 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. due to the California International Marathon. The following bus 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.

**Celebrate the Holidays this Winter in Downtown Sacramento**

The Downtown Sacramento Ice Rink is now open through Monday, January 16, 2023, bringing amazing opportunities for holiday memories back to Sacramento.

The annual Theatre of Lights family-friendly show returned this year to the Old Sacramento Waterfront. Theatre of Lights is an electrifying and family-friendly show with two performances on Thursdays through Sundays at 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. through Saturday, December 24, 2022.

For more information about downtown holiday events, visit GoDowntownSac.com. Take SacRT to these fun holiday events, visit sacrt.com/planyourtrip or call 916-321-BUSS (2877) for trip planning assistance.

**Ride Free on the SacRT Holiday Bus**

SacRT is continuing its annual holiday tradition by offering free rides on the SacRT Holiday bus beginning Thursday, December 1, 2022 through Monday, January 2, 2023. The decorated 40-foot bus will travel on various routes throughout the region.

As in the past, passengers can choose to deposit a donation in the farebox (cash or check accepted) or scan the on-board QR code to benefit a local charity. This year’s donations will assist the Front Street Animal Shelter in Sacramento. The Front Street Animal Shelter takes in thousands of animals each year, many of them lost, sick, injured, neglected or abused.

If you'd like to support animals in need, visit frontstreetshelter.org to find out how you can help.

View the schedule to find out when the Holiday Bus will be traveling to a neighborhood near you at sacrt.com/holidaybus.

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| Date | Day | Routes |
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| 12/1/2022 | Thursday | 246, 106, 51 |
| 12/2/2022 | Friday | 82 |
| 12/3/2022 | Saturday | 11/Elk Grove Parade of Lights |
| 12/4/2022 | Sunday | 1 |
| 12/5/2022 | Monday | 67, 68 |
| 12/6/2022 | Tuesday | 86 |
| 12/7/2022 | Wednesday | 13 |
| 12/8/2022 | Thursday | F10 |
| 12/9/2022 | Friday | 138 |
| 12/10/2022 | Saturday |  Santa Parade |
| 12/11/2022 | Sunday | 19 |
| 12/12/2022 | Monday | 56, 62 |
| 12/13/2022 | Tuesday | 75, 78 |
| 12/14/2022 | Wednesday | E110 |
| 12/15/2022 | Thursday | 15, 88, 1 |
| 12/16/2022 | Friday | 23 |
| 12/17/2022 | Saturday | Front Street Animal Shelter Pop-Up  |
| 12/18/2022 | Sunday | 142 |
| 12/19/2022 | Monday | 30, 38 |
| 12/20/2022 | Tuesday | 61 |
| 12/21/2022 | Wednesday | 25 |
| 12/22/2022 | Thursday | 72, 161, 84, 26 |
| 12/23/2022 | Friday | 21 |
| 12/24/2022 | Saturday | 15, 23 |
| 12/25/2022 | Sunday | 81 |
| 12/26/2022 | Monday (Holiday Observed) | 21 |
| 12/27/2022 | Tuesday | 25 |
| 12/28/2022 | Wednesday | 93, 113 |
| 12/29/2022 | Thursday | 81 |
| 12/30/2022 | Friday | 72 |
| 12/31/2022 | Saturday | 51 |
| 1/1/2023 | Sunday | 30, 38 |
| 1/2/2023 | Monday (Holiday Observed) | 87 |

**Rider Alert (gray box)**

**SacRT Holiday Service**

Christmas Day (Sunday, December 25)

SacRT fixed route buses, light rail trains and SacRT GO paratransit services will operate on a Sunday/holiday schedule. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove Fixed Local, Elk Grove Fixed Commuter, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan, SacRT e-van or SmaRT Ride.

Christmas Day Observed (Monday, December 26)

SacRT fixed route buses, light rail trains and SacRT GO paratransit services will operate on a Sunday/holiday schedule. Regular service on Elk Grove Fixed Local and SacRT e-van. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove Fixed Commuter, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan or SmaRT Ride.

New Year’s Eve (Saturday, December 31, 2022)

Regular service on SacRT fixed route buses, light rail, SacRT GO paratransit services, Elk Grove Fixed Local and SacRT e-van. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove Fixed Commuter, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan, and SmaRT Ride.

New Year’s Day (Sunday, January 1, 2023)

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New Year’s Day Observed (Monday, January 2, 2023)

SacRT fixed route buses, light rail trains and SacRT GO paratransit services will operate on a Sunday/holiday schedule. Regular service on Elk Grove Fixed Local and SacRT e-van. No service on Causeway Connection, Elk Grove Fixed Commuter, Folsom Stage Line, Rancho CordoVan or SmaRT Ride.

**Take SacRT for Free to December Holiday Events**

SacRT has partnered with several organizations to offer free rides on fixed route bus and light rail for the following December events:

* MaraFunRun on Saturday, December 3
* California International Marathon Race and Expo on Saturday, December 3 and Sunday, December 4
* The 39th Annual Mix96 Santa Parade on Saturday, December 10

Visit sacrt.com/freerideflyer for event details and to print or screenshot the flyer of your choice. Simply show it to the bus operator or light rail fare inspection staff upon request. Only one flyer needed per group. Visit sacrt.com/planyourtrip or call 916-321-BUSS (2877) to plan your trip.