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Transit News: Free Rides, More Trains & Important Alerts



- On Christmas and New Year’s Day, Metrolink will run on its weekend schedule and price—so it’s **only \$10 to travel all day, anywhere Metrolink goes.**

More Trains on the Antelope Valley Line

Metrolink now offers **more service on its Antelope Valley line** than ever before. It has added nine new trains, doubled service between Los Angeles and Via Princessa on the weekends and celebrated the grand opening of the new Vista Canyon Station in Santa Clarita.

Alert: Metrolink Closure Dec. 26-29

Metrolink will have a **system-wide closure Dec. 26-29** for scheduled maintenance. No trains will operate on these days. Service will resume on Dec. 30.

Find alternate transportation options at ridematch.info, IECommuter.org or by calling 511.

Holiday Free and Discount Rides

Ring in the holiday season without the hassle of driving—plus get a bargain.

- **Metro will offer free rides** on bus and rail from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Christmas Eve and New Year’s Eve.
- **OC Bus** will offer free rides on New Year’s Eve.

3 Easy Ways to Find Travel and Commute Assistance

As last month’s closure of a portion of the 10 Freeway in downtown LA proved, you never know when you’ll need an alternative to your usual drive.

To get help with transit routing, finding a carpool partner, traffic alerts and updates, locating a Park & Ride lot and more:

1. Call 511 for automated assistance 24/7.
2. Visit SoCal511.com.
3. Register to get an instant list of customized commute options at ridematch.info (Los Angeles/Orange/Ventura) or IECommuter.org (Riverside/San Bernardino).

Carpool and Ride in New 405 Express Toll Lanes for Free

The 405 Express Lanes—expected to open on Dec. 1—will allow motorists to get where they’re going faster for a toll.

Good news if you rideshare: Vehicles with three or more people will be able to access these lanes for free.

Two-person carpools can travel on the lanes for free during non-peak hours.

The 405 Express Lanes run 14 miles in Orange County—between SR-73 in Costa Mesa and I-605 at the border of Los Angeles County.



Solo drivers (and two-person carpools during peak hours) can pay a toll to use the time-saving lanes.

According to Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), drivers will pay an average of about \$3 to travel the entire length. The maximum toll rate is \$9.95.

All vehicles—including carpools—must have a valid FasTrak transponder, set to the number of people in the vehicle.

For more information, visit 405expresslanes.com.



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