

STAFF REPORT

DATE: October 24, 2022
TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors
FROM: Henry Li, General Manager/CEO
SUBJ: GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

No Recommendation - For Information Only.

Major Project Updates

Oral Report

SacRT Meeting Calendar

Regional Transit Board Meeting

November 14, 2022
SacRT Auditorium / Webconference
5:30 P.M

Quarterly Retirement Board Meeting

December 14, 2022
SacRT Auditorium / Webconference
9:00 A.M

Mobility Advisory Council Meeting

November 3, 2022
SacRT Auditorium / Webconference
2:30 P.M

Bus Stop Improvement Plan Workshop

SacRT and Civic Thread are working to complete a Bus Stop Improvement Plan for the SacRT service area, which includes the cities of Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Rancho Cordova and Sacramento, and Sacramento County. This plan will create a comprehensive list of necessary and desired improvements to bus stops, amenities, and supporting pedestrian infrastructure. Civic Thread's role is to engage the broader community to ensure that transit-dependent, low-income, underserved, and minority community members have a full opportunity to engage in the planning process.

Engagement will help guide where funding should be prioritized to improve the SacRT bus stops for all residents. Civic Thread is currently conducting bus stop assessments to identify accessibility and safety issues at bus stops throughout SacRT's service area.

The public is encouraged to join the next open house to provide feedback on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, at the Belle Coolegge Community Center from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Bus routes 61 and 106 serve the Center.

Free SacRT Passes Available for Sonrisa Residents

The new Sonrisa apartments located at 1322 O Street in downtown Sacramento is scheduled to open in January. With every leased unit, residents will receive a free SacRT transit pass valid for the first three years that the building is open. The location is well served by transit, directly south of Capitol Park and a couple of blocks from the Archives Plaza and 16th Street light rail stations,

Sonrisa features microunit studios available to persons earning \$42,600 or less per year with rents at \$710 to \$1,065 per month. Amenities include a 5th floor deck and community kitchen, lounge & co-working space, high ceilings, large windows, ADA units are available. Apply in person at CADA Rentals – 1522 14th Street, Sacramento.

SacRT to Offer System-Wide Free Ride Day to Drive the Vote

SacRT has teamed up with Sacramento County to drive community members to Vote Centers and Ballot Drop Box locations across the Sacramento region on Election Day, Tuesday, November 8, 2022, to help Drive the Vote. SacRT will offer free rides system-wide on all fixed-route bus routes (including Causeway Connection, Elk Grove, Elk Grove e-van, Folsom and Rancho CordoVan), light rail, SmarT Ride, and SacRT GO transit services on Election Day. No flyer or exemption code necessary to ride free.

Board Follow-up

At the last Board meeting, a loyal rider wrote to the Board:

“For the past 15 years, I’ve relied on the bus and light rail for my main source of transportation, and even though there are several obstacles involved with this transportation mode (mainly reliability and frequency), this service is vital for the community. This is why I believe we need to increase our light rail coverage and remove unnecessary stops on the gold line. We need to expand light rail cover to go to locations that are desirable... . In comparison, Portland’s light rail, also started in 1986, covers a similar area and they have a similar tax rate to cover services.”

SacRT Board Clerk Tabettha Smith has responded to the correspondence and provided the following information:

Portland and SacRT may cover a similar area but, the tax revenue is significantly different. TriMet’s budget (below) shows FY2023 proposed Tax Revenue of \$470,087,000.

TriMet Continuing Revenues and Calculation of Payroll Tax Debt Service Ratio

Revenue Category	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2022	FY2023		
	Actual	Actual	Budget	Estimate	Proposed	Approved	Adopted
Tax Revenue							
Payroll Tax Rev-Employer	380,772,930	395,168,997	398,298,000	414,787,000	444,827,000	444,827,000	444,827,000
Payroll Tax Rev-Self Empl	14,863,842	17,516,788	13,903,000	19,787,000	22,218,000	22,218,000	22,218,000
Payroll Tax Rev-State In-Lieu	2,718,628	2,843,364	2,801,000	2,932,000	3,042,000	3,042,000	3,042,000
Total Tax Revenue	\$398,353,398	\$415,529,147	\$415,000,000	\$437,506,000	\$470,087,000	\$470,087,000	\$470,087,000

Measure A local sales tax proceeds account for about \$60M in SacRT's FY23 Operating budget, significantly less than TriMet's budget.

State and Local Assistance		FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022	FY2022	FY2023
		Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Actuals	Budget	Budget
470930	Measure A local tax	43,834,579.67	43,466,841.13	50,189,808.71	58,317,469.66	54,036,000.00	59,850,000.00

SacRT GM Update



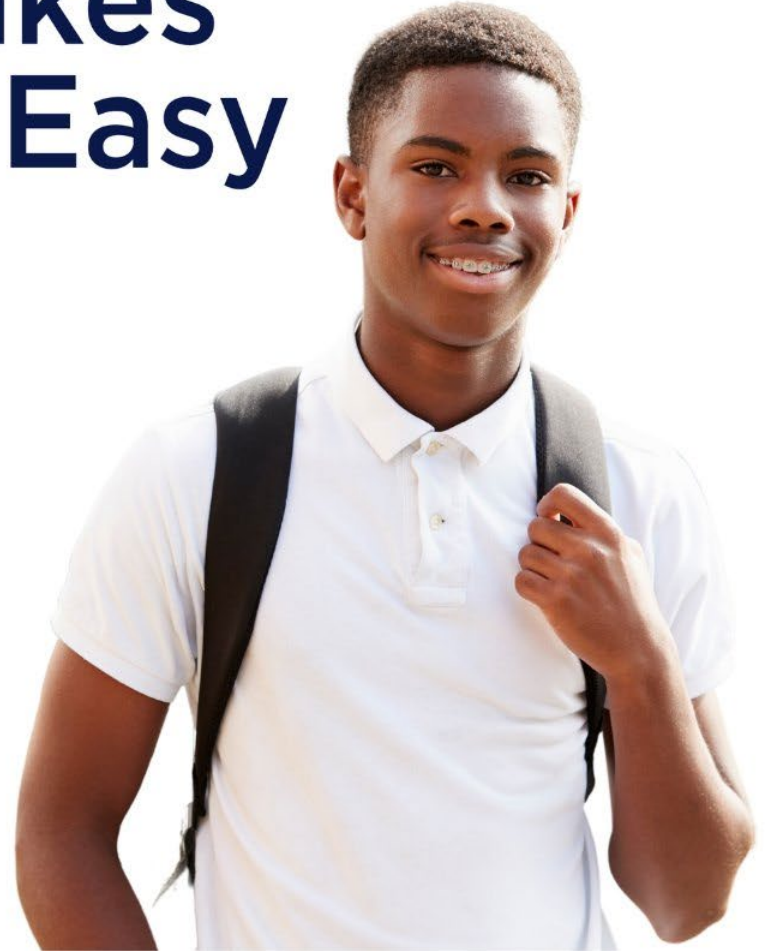
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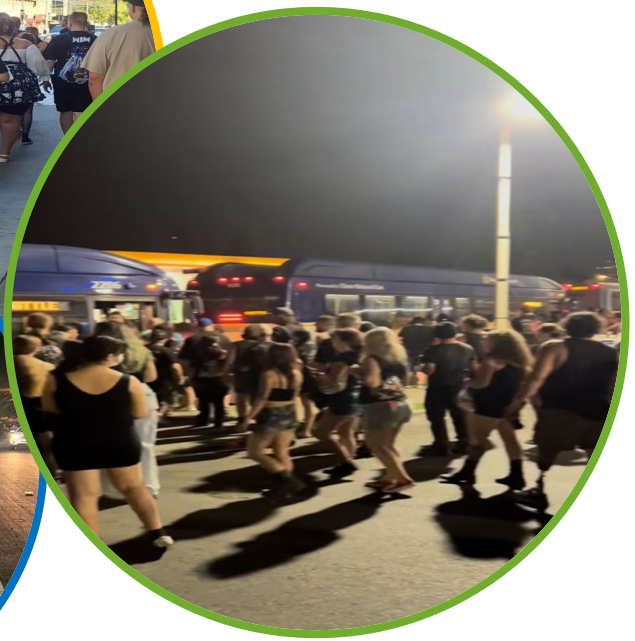
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for youth** **FREE RT** 

Fare-free transit for youth
grades TK through 12th

Sacramento  Regional Transit



Aftershock & GoldenSky Festivals



\$30 million economic impact in the Sacramento region.

Clean Air Day – Free Ride Week

RIDE FREE

OCTOBER 1 - OCTOBER 7, 2022

 CALIFORNIA
CLEAN AIR DAY

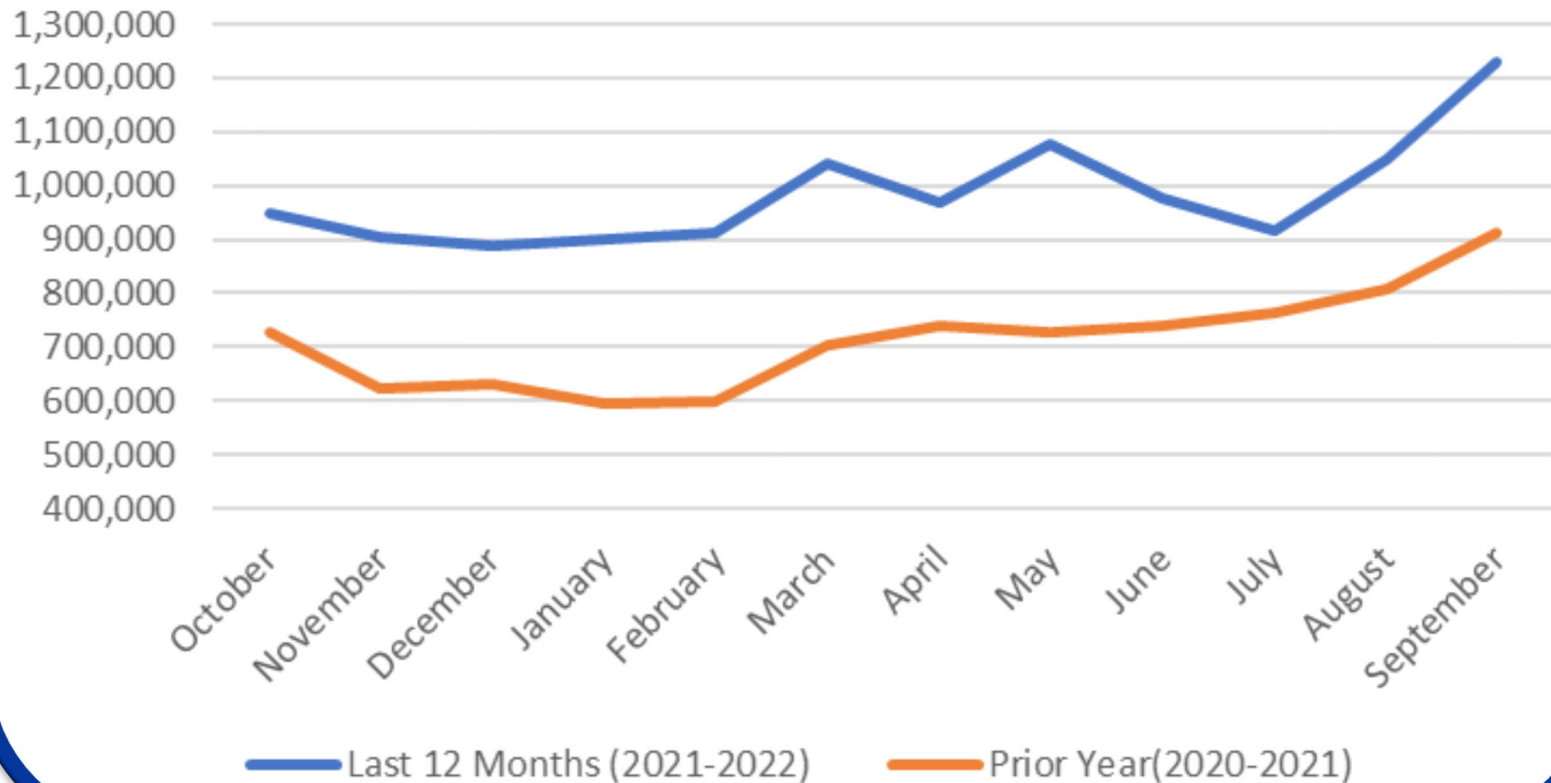
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SacRT Bus + Light Rail + SmaRT Ride + SacRT GO Paratransit Services



Ridership

12 Month Ridership Comparison



Low-Floor Light Rail Vehicles

Final Assembly Phase



APTA Transform Conference



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Rolling Library Train - Video

