

## **STAFF REPORT**

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**DATE:** August 28, 2023  
**TO:** Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Henry Li, General Manager/CEO  
**SUBJ:** GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

### RECOMMENDATION

No Recommendation - For Information Only.

### **SacRT Meeting Calendar**

**Regional Transit Board Meeting**

September 11, 2023

SacRT Auditorium / Webconference

5:30 P.M

**Quarterly Retirement Board Meeting**

September 13, 2023

SacRT Auditorium / Webconference

9:00 A.M

**Mobility Advisory Council Meeting**

September 7, 2023

SacRT Auditorium / Webconference

2:30 P.M

### **SacRT to Launch Elk Grove/UC Davis Medical Center Express**

SacRT has partnered with UC Davis Health to launch a new bus service called the Elk Grove/UC Davis Medical Center Express (bus route 137) that will operate between four park-and-ride locations in the city of Elk Grove and the UC Davis Medical Center in Sacramento. The express bus will start service on Tuesday, September 5, 2023, and operate Monday through Friday with six morning trips and six evening trips.

More information on route 137 can be found: [sacrt.com/UCDHElkGrove](https://sacrt.com/UCDHElkGrove)

## **RydeFreeRT Back to School!**

Students heading back to school can take advantage of SacRT's RydeFreeRT program for youth in grades TK through 12th. With RydeFreeRT, youth can ride the entire SacRT transit network, including SacRT buses, light rail, and SmaRT Ride on-demand microtransit service for free during regular service hours.

Students should have received the new RydeFreeRT cards, which are valid from June 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, from their school prior to the summer break. Students and youth who do not have a RydeFreeRT card, can visit SacRT's Customer Service and Sales Center located at 1225 R Street (adjacent to the 13th Street Station) or Sacramento public libraries.

Youth who are experiencing homelessness or taking part in foster programs can also participate in the program regardless of current residence or school address. The RydeFreeRT program does not apply to those over 18 years old that are pursuing their GED. For more information, visit [rydefreert.com](http://rydefreert.com) or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

## **Apply Now to Join SacRT's Citizens Transit Academy**

SacRT is currently accepting applications for the 2023 SacRT Citizens Transit Academy. The academy is a free, five-class course designed to educate and engage residents, business and community leaders about our planning process and how public transit shapes our communities.

Classes will be held once a week, on Wednesday evenings, over a five-week period, between September 27 – October 25, 2023. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. on Monday, September 4, 2023. SacRT is looking for applicants that live within the Sacramento region. Academy participants will represent Sacramento's diverse population, which may include a mix of students, business professionals, seniors, individuals with disabilities, appointed and elected officials, key stakeholders, community-minded individuals and more. Graduates will be recognized as knowledgeable representatives for public transit and be encouraged to engage with the community in conversations about the region's mobility needs.

SacRT's free Transit Academy includes presentations about public transit benefits; operations; budget and governance; planning and scheduling processes; environmental and mobility initiatives; Q & A; interactive discussions; and behind-the-scenes field trips, including a tour of SacRT's Light Rail Maintenance Facility and our new low-floor light rail trains. Presenters and speakers include SacRT management, community advocates, and local transit leaders.

To learn more and apply, visit [sacrt.com/transitacademy](http://sacrt.com/transitacademy)

## **SacRT Station Platform Modification Update**

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

will be on pause during the month of August 2023 while the contractor finishes any remaining work at the 14 stations.

Starting in September 2023, SacRT will continue work to complete the modifications to Gold Line stations, including 7th & Capitol, Archives Plaza, 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Power Inn, College Greens, Watt/Manlove, Starfire, Tiber, Butterfield, Mather Field/Mills, Zinfandel, Cordova Town Center, Sunrise, Glenn/Robert G. Holderness and Historic Folsom. This phase of construction along the Gold Line is expected to be complete by spring 2024. Bus bridges will be in place most weekends between September 2023 and March 2024 while construction takes place at different stations. Learn more at [sacrt.com/stationclosure](https://sacrt.com/stationclosure).



## SacRT General Manager/CEO's Update

Monday, August 28, 2023





## Congressman Ami Bera Site Visit





## Accelerating Transit Oriented Development

On Broadway – 140 units

# ELK GROVE » UC DAVIS MEDICAL CENTER *EXPRESS*

Express bus service between Elk Grove  
and UC Davis Medical Center.

**UC DAVIS  
HEALTH**



September 2023 Service Adjustments



# Transit Field Trip

**Ryde**  
Grades TK-12th  
**FREE RT**

**PASS**  
Valid 06/01/2023 - 06/30/2024

Students can Ride into the New School  
Year for **FREE** with RydeFreeRT!

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## RydeFreeRT Thank you



# SacRT Systemwide Free Ride Day!



International Day  
of Clean Air  
for blue skies  
Thursday, September 7



**International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies**



# State of City of Sacramento Event