



Club Rideshare

e-Bulletin



Take a Holiday from Traffic

The holidays are here, and we have ways to help you get the most from it—from putting the “sharing” back into ridesharing, to free rides, discounts at holiday events and more.

Donate Toys for Kids—Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) is partnering with KABC7 and the Southern California Firefighters for the annual Spark of Love Toy Drive. On Dec. 20 at Orange County Great Park in the City of Irvine you can help OCFA “stuff a bus” full of new toys for underserved families. Details will be posted at <http://abc7.com/sparkoflove>. Toys can also be dropped off at your local fire station Nov. 11- Dec. 24.



Try Metrolink for Free!

Metrolink is offering a free one-day pass to any County of Orange employee who works in the City of Orange. To give Metrolink a try, send an email to the [Rideshare Office](#) and include: name, employee ID number, origin (home) station, and work email and address. We'll send you a code to claim your free pass.

Win a Family 4-Pack

As a special promotion for County of Orange employees, enter to win a family 4-pack of Metrolink tickets, valid on any Metrolink train. Try one of their seven service lines to explore all the history, culture and fun Southern California has to offer.

Email your first and last name and department to CPPContest@scrra.net with the subject title “Metrolink Anniversary Giveaway” by Nov. 30. No purchase necessary to win. Only one entry per person. Winner will be notified via email.

Huntington Beach Open Streets Event

On Sunday, Nov. 17, you can enjoy 1.5 miles of open streets, bike and pedestrian-friendly activities, live performances, food, [\(continued\)](#)



Free Rides on Bus/Rail—OC Bus rides will be free New Year's Eve from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. on New Year's Day.

Ride Metrolink to the Festival of Lights—Metrolink will offer special service to the Festival of Lights at the Mission Inn in Riverside. On Fridays and Saturdays Nov. 29-Dec. 28, trains will leave Los Angeles and Orange counties starting at 3 p.m., returning after 8 p.m. Free RTA shuttles then carry passengers between the Riverside-Downtown Station and the event.

The Festival of Lights features more than 5 million holiday lights, 400 animated figures, horse-drawn carriage rides, Santa Claus—and even the world's largest man-made mistletoe!

Find schedule information at metrolinktrains.com.

\$10 All Day—On Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day, Metrolink will run on its Sunday schedule and price—so it's only \$10 to travel all day, anywhere Metrolink goes.





Metrolink Adds Early Morning Train

In response to public feedback, Metrolink last month introduced new updated schedules for the Orange County (OC) line.

Now the first Orange County Line weekday train from Los Angeles departs earlier, allowing people to reach Santa Ana, Tustin, Irvine and Laguna Niguel/ Mission Viejo by 8 a.m.

Metrolink also added two roundtrips between Orange County and Los Angeles to accommodate more riders.

For the full list of changes, including adjustments on other lines, visit metrolinktrains.com.

Thanks for Turning in Your Surveys!



The annual transportation survey conducted last month lets us know how many employees are ridesharing and provides information so we can see where we need to improve.

If you checked “yes” to receiving a RideGuide on the survey, you’ll soon be receiving a full list of your updated commute options, including potential carpoolers, bus/rail routing, Park & Ride lots and more—handy if you’re looking to add riders or switch up your commute.

All employees who turned in a survey by the Sept. 30 deadline were entered into a drawing for \$25 Amazon gift cards. Congratulations to the 10 lucky winners:

- N. Castillo, OCSD
- Jason Chang, A/C
- Joe Chavez, DA
- Tricia Crisalli, Clerk/Recorder
- Jeffrey Frisch, JWA
- America Lopez, CSS
- Nancy Marquis-Rodriguez
- Belinda McCleese, HCA
- Lorena Mendez
- Paula Villarreal, SSA



Have You Moved?

If your home address, work/home phone numbers or email have changed, please let the Rideshare Office know by sending an email to

rideshare@ocgov.com.

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giveaways and more at seven pop-up sites along or nearby Beach Boulevard.

Participating cities include La Habra, Buena Park, Anaheim, Stanton, Garden Grove, Westminster and Huntington Beach.

OCTA will provide a free OC Bus day pass on the [OC Bus Mobile app](#) to those who pledge to ride OC Bus to the event on Nov. 17.

Important News on Perk Pass

The Rideshare Office will be mailing out next year’s Perk Passes in December. If you’ve moved in the past year, be sure to update your address information with the Rideshare Office so you’ll receive your new card. Email current address information to rideshare@ocgov.com.

Perk Pass allows you to use payroll deduction to pay for bus fare with pre-tax dollars, reducing your overall taxable income.

Congratulations Club Rideshare Winners

We’d like to extend a big “congrats” and thanks for ridesharing to October winners of the Club Rideshare monthly prize drawing of \$25:

- Jaleh Byrne, OCSD
- James Pinck, Probation
- Peggy Laub, Assessor



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