

Club Rideshare e-Bulletin

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Carpool/Vanpool Match List

The list has been updated plus we are now sharing the Club Rideshare e-Bulletin with everyone on that list to further encourage them to join Club Rideshare after they find a ride match. Current carpoolers may want to check the list for fellow employees to add to their carpool or even expand into a vanpool. Access to the list includes a map of the entire region and links to the list of employees that begin their commute from your area. Within that, it shows the city where they work. First names and work phone numbers make it easy for you to contact co-workers to discuss carpool or vanpool arrangements. Remember that the list can only be viewed from the secure IntraOC using this [link](#).

Enhanced Try-Transit-On-Us Incentive

Thinking of switching to riding the train or bus to work? You are in luck. The Try-Transit-On-Us incentive has expanded. First time Try-Transit-On-Us participants can now send us proof-of-purchase for three consecutive months of transit trips rather than only one! If these ticket receipts are for a public transit mode that you have not used to commute to work in the past 90 days, you may be eligible for partial reimbursements totaling 75% of the first receipt, 50% of the second receipt and 25% of the third receipt. This is a one-time per month and one-time per transit mode incentive. Use the [All-in-One Form](#) to submit your claim and proof of purchase.



Be Safe and Enjoy the Train Ride



Safety is always a priority for Metrolink. As it gets darker earlier, it's important to exercise extra caution when commuting. Please keep the following rules and safety tips in mind when traveling by Metrolink:

Arrive early. Don't run to run to catch your train--give yourself an extra few minutes before your scheduled departure time.

Use technology to track train updates.

Metrolink uses Twitter and Facebook to

provide real time information about service delays and status updates, thus taking the guesswork out of commuting.

Be cautious on the platform. Rain and sometimes even ice can make platforms slippery. Avoid running and always look where you're going to avoid any hazardous situations.

Pay attention to on-board announcements. Listen for alerts to upcoming station stops and any changes in service. Make sure you listen for any important information.

Hold the handrails. All passengers should hold the handrails to go up or down the stairs to prevent falls, collisions or mishaps with other passengers.

Look both ways. Use caution when walking through parking lots. Use the marked crosswalk where provided. Park in well-lit areas.

Metrolink Promotions

Ride Metrolink to the L.A. Golden Dragon Parade - Saturday, February 4



Celebrate Lunar New Year by visiting the free 118th Annual Golden Dragon Parade and Festival in Los Angeles Chinatown. With elaborate decorations and performances by some of the nation's best Chinese acts, the parade begins at Hill Street at 1 p.m. and ends at Broadway at 3 p.m. Enjoy food trucks, a beer garden, face painting and paper folding.

Metrolink is the best way to get to Los Angeles for the Golden Dragon Parade, and they are adding extra trains to make your trip even easier. You'll avoid traffic and parking hassles and enjoy a relaxing ride with friends and family.

As always, Metrolink pass holders can ride for free on weekends, or you can buy your ticket before boarding. For tips on how to ride Metrolink, visit [here](#).

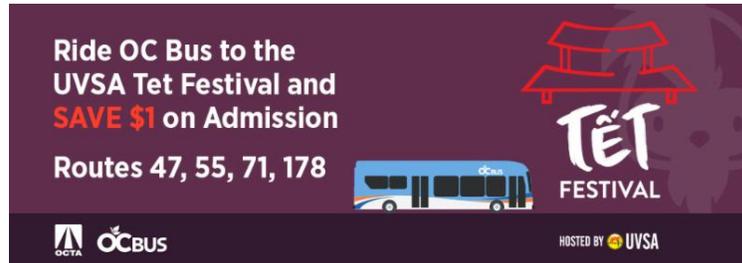
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Ride OC Bus to the Tet Festival and Save

Celebrate the Lunar New Year at the world's largest Tet Festival! The family-friendly event will be held at the O.C. Fairgrounds and Event Center in Costa Mesa.



Schedule

Friday, January 27: 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Saturday, January 28: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Sunday, January 29: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Getting There on OC Bus

- Ride OC Bus and avoid traffic and parking hassles. Show your OC Bus pass and save \$1 off the \$5 festival admission price.
- OC Bus routes serving the O.C. Fairgrounds include 47, 55, and 71.
- To plan your trip, click [here](#) for OCTA's trip planner.
- For more information about the festival, visit www.tetfestival.org.

Metrolink Update - 25% Discount for Perris Valley Line Stations

Starting on December 7, 2016, Metrolink began offering a 25% discount on all tickets that have an origin or destination of one of the new 91/Perris Valley Line stations.

- The discount will apply to Monthly and 7-Day Passes and Round-Trip and One-Way Tickets.
- The ticket must have a station pair with one of the four new stations: Riverside-Hunter Park/UCR, Moreno Valley/March Field, Perris-Downtown or Perris-South.
- Tickets can be purchased through the Commuter Choice program, on the Metrolink App or at any of the Metrolink stations.

Stations:

With the extension of the Perris Valley Line, there are four new stations at Riverside-Hunter Park/UCR, Moreno Valley/March Field, Perris - Downtown and Perris - South. Click on the links below to view detailed station and connecting transit information.

[Riverside-Hunter Park/UCR](#)

[Moreno Valley/March Field](#)

[Perris - Downtown](#)

[Perris - South](#)

Club Rideshare

Congratulations to the following monthly winners drawn from the Club Rideshare membership to receive \$25:

- Vivienne Thornton, Auditor-Controller
- Beth Anne Jarandson, Health Care Agency
- Angela Renish, OC Public Works
- Denise Cornejo, Social Services Agency
- Amelia Northcliff, Health Care Agency
- Carmen Golding-Martinez, Child Support Services



Remember that current members receive a Club Rideshare Annual Renewal Form as the anniversary of their membership rolls around. Even if you are a Commuter Choice participant you must complete the renewal form to receive the \$15 renewal incentive.

It is also a great opportunity to "Tell-Us-Your-Story" and help spread the word about the benefits of ridesharing. Remember to refer co-workers to Club Rideshare and receive \$10 when they enroll!

OC Bus Fares Will Change - February 12, 2017



As part of OC Bus 360°, a comprehensive plan to improve and sustain bus service and enhance the customer experience, OCTA has adjusted fares that affect service on fixed-route and express buses. Here's a quick overview:

- **Discontinued Passes:** The 5-Rides Pass and the 7-Day Pass will be discontinued on February 12, 2017.
- **Express Fare Changes:** Routes 206, 211, 212, 213 and 216 operate within Orange County and will now be known as OC Express. Routes 701, 721, and 794 will continue to operate between counties and will continue to be known as Express. Fares for both will increase February 12, 2017.
- **Changed Requirements at Point of Sale for Reduced Fares:** Proof of eligibility for the purchase of any reduced fare media, including senior and disabled passes, will now be required at the point of sale, as well as when boarding the bus. Effective October 8, 2017.

[Learn more...](#)

OC Rideshare Webpage

The OC Rideshare webpage is full of important information that is updated on a regular basis. Here you will find everything needed to participate in the OC Rideshare incentives and supporting programs. It is a great resource for all components of the program.

Beginning this year, the physical display racks will no longer be available. You will be able to get all the current applications and forms and program information directly from our webpage. Below is a glimpse of the OC Rideshare homepage for your review. The navigation and links are live for browsing.

RIDESHARE

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To help you find better and easier ways to commute to work, the County of Orange Human Resource Services created the OC Rideshare Program for County of Orange and Superior Court employees.

Learn about various [rideshare modes](#) through this program website, the quarterly OC Commuter newsletters and special [rideshare events](#).

The [Incentive Programs](#) can get you started or keep you ridesharing. Use an [application or form](#) to register or to request assistance. Read the [OC Rideshare Program Guidelines](#) for a complete description of all incentives and services.

Check current traffic, weather, route planning maps and more on the [commuter assistance](#) page. For your convenience, we have included [useful links](#) to public transit sites, traffic, weather, mapping and other commuter assistance materials.

The OC Rideshare Program essentials, PowerPoint presentations, posters and handouts are included in the [Manager's Rideshare Tools](#) page.

How to Reach Us

Employees can send an e-mail to Rideshare@ocgov.com or leave a message at 714-647-1931. You can also send information to the OC Rideshare Office, 333 W. Santa Ana Blvd., Bldg. 10, 1st Floor at the Civic Center.