



OC RIDESHARE PROGRAM

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Club Rideshare e-Bulletin

Metrolink Stations Open New Platforms

As part of its efforts to make riding a safer and more convenient option, Metrolink recently unveiled new platforms at its San Bernardino and Rialto stations. They are located closer to the drop-off area and train depot, giving riders the option to wait for their train inside away from the elements. This month, Metrolink will also open pedestrian bridges at these stations so riders will no longer need to cross train tracks to get to the platforms. For Metrolink route and schedule information, head to their website at www.metrolinktrains.com or call 1-800-371-5465.

May is Bike Month



Biking is a zero-emission, low cost way to get to work while getting fit. Now that trains allow bikes on board—and nearly all buses have bike racks—even people who live far from the office may be able to switch to bicycling, at least occasionally. There has never been a better time to ride your bike to work, school, or recreation. Plus, combine your ride with a trip on OCTA Bus or Metrolink for a healthy commute or a weekend adventure.

Two Ways to Win!

OCTA is giving away two **Trek FX 2 bikes** and **Fitbit Blazes**. For a chance to win one of these great prizes, pledge to ride anytime during Bike Month. By pledging, you will also receive a coupon for Jax Bicycle Center. Additionally, you can compete to win in the OCTA [Strava](#) club's Leaderboard.

Bike Month Pledge

The Pledge Sweepstakes begins on April 16, 2017 and ends on May 31, 2017.

During the promotional period complete the [Pledge entry form](#). Upon submission of your registration form you will receive one entry into the Sweepstakes. Limit: One entry per person.

OCTA will randomly select the potential winners from all eligible Sweepstakes entries received by the time of the drawings. OCTA staff will notify the potential winners of their prize via the email address provided to OCTA by the Sweepstakes participants. A minimum of three attempts will be made to contact the winners using the contact information provided. If the designated winner does not claim the prize within fifteen (15) days of the date of the first attempt of contact, that winner shall forfeit receipt of the prize.

One first prize and second prize winners will be selected at the end of the promotional period. Additional bike month gear may be given at random throughout the duration of the sweepstakes.

OCTA Bike Rally on May 18

Let's roll from the Orange Metrolink Station to OCTA Headquarters for the OCTA Bike Rally on May 18. Meet at the station at 7:30 am, get your free Bike Month T-shirt and get in on the slow-paced group ride through Old Town Orange and the Santiago Creek Trail. Go multimodal and take Metrolink to the Bike Rally!



Club Rideshare



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

Scott Burton, Assessor

Angelica Almaguer, Health Care Agency

Latona Jones, Assessor



Remember that current members receive a Club Rideshare Annual Renewal Form as the anniversary of their membership rolls around.



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



91 Express Lanes Now Open

91 Express Lanes in Riverside County are now open. Express Lanes have been extended for eight miles on the 91 Freeway from the Orange County line where they formerly ended into Riverside County to the I-15. The lanes are part of a \$1.4 billion improvement project that also added regular and auxiliary lanes and direct express lane connectors between I-15 and SR-91. Improvements to interchanges, ramps and surface streets were also made to the region, which has been ranked among the nation's most congested.

Motorists must have a FasTrak transponder to use the 91 Express Lanes. Account holders in a vehicle with three or more people travel toll-free, except eastbound Monday through Friday from 4 PM to 6 PM, when carpools can ride for half-off the posted toll. For more information, visit www.91expresslanes.com.

Metrolink Weekends



There are many destinations just steps away from a Metrolink station – all without the hassles of driving. Plus, there are hundreds of free connections you can make with your valid Metrolink ticket including Anaheim Resort Transit (ART), city bus, shuttle bus, light rail, and subway lines (Amtrak excluded). To view all Metrolink's destinations, [click here](#).

Rideshare Program Tips and Reminders

- **Commuter Choice (train):**
Payroll deductions for train passes are processed in the first payroll cycle following the pass month and only for retrieved passes. This makes scheduling vacation time more convenient.
- Please send [OC Rideshare](#) any change to your contact information, i.e., email address and work number.