



OC RIDESHARE PROGRAM

## Club Rideshare e-Bulletin

### New Metrolink Parking Structure



The City of Orange, OCTA and Metrolink are pleased to announce that construction of the new Metrolink Parking Structure at the Orange Transportation Center will begin this month!

Located in Old Town Orange at the corner of Lemon Street and Chapman Ave, the new structure will feature over 600 shared-use parking spaces, several electric vehicle charging stations, bicycle amenities, and solar panels.

The Lemon Street surface parking lot permanently closed on Monday, July 24, 2017. While the Lemon Street lot is under construction, alternative public parking will be available at the Chapman University parking lot located at the southwest corner of Palm Avenue and the railroad tracks.

Stay connected with the project to learn more and receive construction updates  
[www.octa.net/orangemetrolinkparkingstructure](http://www.octa.net/orangemetrolinkparkingstructure).



### World Car-Free Day Friday, September 22

Ever since the first vehicle rolled onto the streets in 1886, the world has had a love-hate relationship with the motor car. Today, with over one billion motor vehicles on the roads around the

globe, it sometimes seems as if we cannot escape the pollution, noise and danger that they produce. One day a year is set aside to try and avoiding using cars and cycling, walking or using public transport instead. Car Free Day aims to take the heat off the planet for just one day by encouraging people to be less dependent on their cars and try alternatives. Informal car free days took place throughout the 1990s and the first official, global Car Free Day was launched in 2000. Many big international cities, like Bogota and Jakarta, close their central roads on this day and fill them with walking and cycling events, and smaller car-free events take place around the world.

### Metrolink Weekend Destinations

Metrolink has organized summer adventures for all to enjoy. With their online

[Summer Guidebook](#), it's easy to take the train to great locations in Los Angeles County, Orange County and Oceanside. Customize your trip with online itineraries that match your interests. Station details, restaurants and deals near each station are also provided.



Enter to win one of three FREE weekend vacation packages by entering their [Metrolink Summer Sweepstakes](#). You can also enter a [photo contest](#) of your Metrolink Summer Adventure for a chance to win one of hundreds of prizes at locations throughout Southern California!

## Club Rideshare



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



*Elizabeth Macias, Health Care Agency*  
*Maria Larrea, Child Support Services*  
*Beatriz Williams, Superior Court*



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 submit the Club Rideshare Renewal form to receive the \$15 renewal incentive.



“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!



## OCTA's Website is “Mobilized”

To better serve the increasing number of OCTA customers and others who use mobile devices, the [OCTA website](http://www.octa.net) has been optimized for smartphone viewing. Nearly 40 percent of all visits to the website, [www.octa.net](http://www.octa.net), are made from mobile devices.

Now, when a customer on the go wants to check the train schedule, the information will load smoothly thanks to something called “responsive web design” that prompts content--both text and graphics--to respond to the size of the screen. No matter how they access the site, OCTA customers and other stakeholders will get the same content and the same reliable viewing experience. The only difference is that for mobile users, the content will be enhanced for readability and navigation on a smaller screen.

Having such flexibility is essential for those who use public transportation and rely on their phones for schedules, costs and trip planning on the go. Others who will appreciate the mobile site include government officials, business leaders, and the media, who may need to find transportation information quickly while away from their offices.



## Rideshare Program Tips and Reminders

- Please remember to submit all Rideshare Program forms by email as an attachment to [Rideshare@ocgov.com](mailto:Rideshare@ocgov.com) or send by FAX to 714-653-1148.
- The Carpool/Vanpool Match List maintained on the IntraOC was recently updated, so now is the time to fill those empty seats in your carpool or vanpool group. View the [list](#) of your co-workers that are interested in forming or joining an existing group and contact those with a similar commute route and work schedule by phone. Have your commute information added to the list by submitting an [All-in-One](#) form.