

STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 12, 2025

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

June 9, 2025 1102 Q Street - SacRT Auditorium 4:00 P.M.

Quarterly Retirement Board Meeting

June 11, 2025 1102 Q Street - SacRT Auditorium 1:00 P.M.

Mobility Advisory Council Meeting

May 15, 2025 1102 Q Street - SacRT Auditorium 2:30 P.M.

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Location:

SacRT Auditorium (Midtown) 1400 29th Street, Sacramento, CA

Date:

Thursday, May 22, 2024
 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Transit: Accessible by bus routes 30, 38, 67, 68 and light rail to the 29th Street Station

Parking: Street parking available.

Learn more at <u>sacrt.com/hiringevents</u>

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SacRT to Operate Sunday/Holiday Schedule for Memorial Day

In honor of Memorial Day on Monday, May 26, 2025, SacRT fixed-route bus and light rail, and SacRT GO paratransit services will operate on Sunday/holiday schedule. Please visit <u>sacrt.com/holidayservice</u> to view the Sunday/holiday schedule for your route or call 916-321-BUSS (2877) for assistance.

There will be no service on: Causeway Connection; Elk Grove local and commuter routes, including e-van, Folsom transit services, Rancho CordoVan and SacRT Flex.

The Customer Sales Center will be closed. The Customer Service phone lines 916-321-BUSS (2877) will operate from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SacRT wishes everyone a safe holiday weekend as we remember those who dedicated their lives to service for our country.

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Rancho Cordova Certified Farmers' Market at the Sunrise station held on Saturdays and the Historic Folsom Farmers' Market at the Historic Folsom station on Saturdays.

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NEXT STOP NEWS

May 2025

SacRT Monthly Newsletter - May 2025

Check out our video newsletter!



Audio description version: https://youtu.be/4mPGJsrfzFI?si=LIQ2lji44PqqUt4A

Blue Line Service Disruptions in May



Low-Floor Station Modification Project

SacRT is making steady progress on modernizing the light rail system to welcome the new low-floor light rail vehicles on the Blue Line. As part of the ongoing platform construction project along the Blue Line, Alkali Flat/La Valentina Station will temporarily close for work on the weekend of Saturday, May 3 and Sunday, May 4, 2025 and Globe Station will temporarily close on Saturday, May 31, 2025.

Construction Timeline & Rider Information:

- Saturday, May 3 and Sunday, May 4, 2025: A bus bridge will be in place between Globe and 11th & K stations. K Street will be closed to vehicles from 8th Street to 12th Street.
- Saturday, May 31, 2025: A bus bridge will be in place between Alkali Flat/La Valentina and Marconi/Arcade stations

SacRT is planning the next stage of construction, which will include:

- Platform modifications at the remaining Blue Line stations
- Upgrades to Gold Line stations to support three-car trains

Construction for the next phase is anticipated to begin in early 2026, with more details to be shared as plans are finalized. Riders are encouraged to check <u>sacrt.com/stationclosure</u> or download the free Alert SacRT app to stay informed about the latest service updates and impacts.

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- Wednesday, May 7, 2025
 2 p.m. 7 p.m.
- Thursday, May 22, 2024
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New RydeFreeRT Cards Now Available for Students



Great news for students! Youth in transitional Kindergarten through 12th grade can continue to enjoy free rides on SacRT buses and light rail through our RydeFreeRT program. Whether you're heading to school, a friend's house, or a community event, the RydeFreeRT fare-free transit program is your ticket to getting around the Sacramento region for FREE!

This month, new RydeFreeRT cards will be distributed to students with a valid date of June 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. Simply show your valid RydeFreeRT card to ride for free on SacRT's bus and light rail services.

The program is also open to youth experiencing homelessness or those in foster care programs. For more information or assistance, call 916-321-BUSS (2877) or visit rydefreert.com.

Bike and Ride: The Perfect Pair for May is Bike Month



Pump up those tires and get ready to ride—May is Bike Month is here! Celebrate the season by biking to work, school, or just for fun. Not only is cycling a great way to boost your health and reduce stress, it's also a clean, green way to get around and help the environment.

SacRT makes it easy to combine biking and transit:

- All buses have front-mounted bike racks that hold up to three bikes.
- Bikes are welcome on light rail trains. For high-floor trains, be sure to leave space in the front of the first car for riders with disabilities. For low-floor trains, look for the "bike area" decals.

Note: Please do not use the mini-high ramps when boarding with a bike, as those are reserved for passengers with mobility needs. For tips and info on how to bike and ride with SacRT, visit sacrt.com/bikemonth.

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Notice of SacRT Fiscal Year 2026 Preliminary Budget Public Hearing

SacRT will hold a public hearing on it's Fiscal Year 2026 Preliminary Operating and Capital Budget. The public hearing will be held at 4 p.m. on Monday, May 12, 2025, at 1102 Q Street, in the SacRT Auditorium.

Members of the public can participate in person during the hearing or they may submit written public comments by 1 p.m. on the day of the Board meeting at boardcomments@sacrt.com. Comments received by 1 p.m. will be submitted to the Board for their review no later than the start of the public hearing. Members of the public submitting written comments are asked to place the Item Number in the subject line of your correspondence and comments are limited to 250 words or less.

Persons wishing to make comments on the Operating/Capital Budget or FTA Program of Projects should contact Casey Courtright, Director, Office of Management & Budget, at (916) 556-0160, submit written comments at ccourtright@sacrt.com, or by mail to P.O. Box 2110, Sacramento, CA 95812-2110.

Visit sacrt.com for more information.

Shaping the Future of Transit: SacRT's Comprehensive Operational Analysis



Shaping the Future of Transit

SacRT is excited to announce the kickoff of its Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA). The COA project, includes two main elements: A Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) update and a Long-Range Transit Plan (LRTP) update.

The SRTP will focus on fiscal sustainability and no-cost adjustments to the system, including routes and schedules, budget, fleet, and fares. The SRTP will also include an analysis of many recent major changes at SacRT over the past several years, including impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic, annexation of Elk Grove transit service, and major changes to SacRT's microtransit service (e.g., SacRT Flex).

The LRTP will develop several technically sound, fiscally realistic, and publicly supported expenditure plans, including for both a "no-change" revenue scenario as well as under a potential new local funding measure. The LRTP will balance state-of-good-repair needs with system expansion goals, and ensure consistency with the Sacramento Area Council of Government's Blueprint 2025 plan.

Public involvement will be a critical part of this project! Please stay tuned for opportunities to get involved and give feedback. Get the latest project information at sacrt.com/COA.

Ride SacRT to Channel 24 – Midtown's New Music Destination



Channel 24 is Sacramento's newest music venue, bringing live shows to midtown Sacramento. Located at 24th and K streets, it's just steps from SacRT's 23rd Street Station on the Gold Line.

Skip the traffic and parking—ride SacRT instead. Gold Line trains run late enough for most evening events, and there's free parking at 22 SacRT park-and-ride lots. Riders traveling on the Blue Line can transfer to the Gold Line at 16th Street Station. Let SacRT take you to the music. Visit sacrt.com/channel24 for travel tips.

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