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**PRESS RELEASE* SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory, from Thursday, December 5 through Wednesday, December 11, 2024

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for the week, from Thursday, Dec. 5 through Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2024.

For real-time updates, follow us on <u>https://twitter.com/sfmta_muni</u> or visit <u>SFMTA.com/EmailText</u> to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts. For details of Muni re-routes, visit <u>SFMTA.com/Updates</u>. This website will be updated when it is closer to the event date. For additional notifications and agency updates, subscribe to our blog, <u>Moving SF</u> for <u>daily</u> or <u>weekly</u> updates.

<u> Cole Valley Nights – Holiday Street Fair</u>

Thursday, Dec. 5: A new night market, Cole Valley Nights, will take place at Cole and Carl streets, from 4 to 9 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 5. For more details, see <u>https://sunsetmercantilesf.com/cole-valley-nights</u>.

A street closure of Cole Street from Carl Street to Parnassus Avenue will be required from noon to 11:59 p.m.

The following Muni routes will be affected: **37 Corbett and 43 Masonic**.

Downtown First Thursdays

Thursday, Dec. 5: The Downtown First Thursdays (DFT) event will take place on 2nd Street from 5 to 10 p.m. This event will repeat monthly through April 3, 2025. For event details, visit https://www.dftsf.com/.

The following street closures will be required from noon until midnight, Thursday:

- 2nd Street between Market and Folsom streets
- Clementina Street between 2nd and 1st streets

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Downtown First Thursdays continued

Street closures continued

- Jessie Street between New Montgomery and 2nd streets
- Minna Street between New Montgomery and 1st streets
- Natoma Street between New Montgomery and 1st streets
- Stevenson Street between New Montgomery and 1st streets
- Tehama Street between Hawthorne and 1st streets

These intersections will remain open at all times: 1) 2nd and Mission streets; **2)** 2nd and Howard streets.

There will be no impact on Muni service.

Events at Chase Center

Thursday, Dec. 5 through Sunday, Dec. 8: There will be events to take place at the Chase Center:

- **Thursday, Dec. 5:** The Warriors will play against the <u>Houston Rockets</u>. Game will start at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, Dec. 6: The Warriors will play against the <u>Minnesota Timberwolves</u>. Game will start at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.
- **Sunday, Dec. 8:** The Warriors will play against the <u>Minnesota Timberwolves</u>. Game will start at 5:30 p.m. Doors will open at 4 p.m.

Supplemental Muni Service

- Muni will operate supplemental 78X Arena Express service.
- *Pre-event express shuttle service* from 16th Street BART Station to Chase Center will start two and a half hours before each game/event and will end one hour after game/event starts.
- *Post-event express shuttle service* from Chase Center on 16th Street to 16th Street BART Station will run until the area clears.

Special Event Parking Rates

During basketball games and other major events with more than 10,000 expected attendees at the arena, parking meters close to the arena will charge a special event rate of \$11 per hour. These rates help reduce congestion and keep parking spots available in the neighborhoods near the arena, discouraging circling for free or cheap parking. Start times for special event rates vary based on the start time of the event. More information on special event parking regulations can be found on www.sfmta.com/special-event-parking.

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Events at Chase Center continued

Street Closures

To accommodate events that will take place at the arena, the following street closures will be enforced two hours before and one hour after each event:

- 16th Street between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Northbound 3rd Street between 16th Street and Warriors Way will also be closed approximately 30 minutes before and 45 minutes after an event.
- Only local access will be allowed on Northbound Illinois Street between Mariposa and 16th streets.

No Parking Zone

To facilitate loading and pick up for Muni customers and patrons, NO PARKING will be in effect at these locations during events:

- 16th Street between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Between the 500 and 700 blocks of Terry Francois Boulevard (TFB)

Taxi Stands

There is one taxi stand located on southbound Terry Francois Boulevard. Ramp Taxis should use the loading zone on eastbound Warriors Way at Bridgeview Way.

Additional Passenger Loading

- 4th Street which connects to Chase Center via Gene Friend Way pedestrian path which cuts through UCSF campus.
- Owens Street connects to Chase Center via Gene Friend Way pedestrian path which cuts through UCSF campus.

For details about transportation to the Chase Center, including Muni service and connections from the Bay Area transit system to Muni, visit<u>SFMTA.com/ChaseCenter</u>.

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, visit <u>www.sfmta.com/chase-center</u>.



<u>Cruzada Guadalupana</u>

Saturday, Dec. 7: La Cruzada Guadalupana Pilgrimage is a yearly event that starts in South San Francisco and proceeds through San Francisco to St. Mary's Cathedral. The procession will begin at 6 a.m. and is anticipated to reach the San Francisco border with Daly City between 9 and 9:45 a.m. It will then proceed via Mission Street, 14th Street, South Van Ness, Ellis Street, and Gough Street to Geary. The procession will make one stop mid route at the Parish Church of St. John the Evangelist at Mission Street and St Mary's Avenue. Approximately 30,000 people, 25 horses, and 18 vehicles (includes sound trucks, floats, Red Cross vans, Radio La Raza trucks, water and supply trucks) will be a part of this procession.

The following Muni routes will be impacted: **14 Mission, 14R Mission Rapid, 33 Ashbury/18th and 49 Van Ness/Mission**. Streets along the procession route may also be congested which could impact additional Muni bus service in the area. SFPD officers and Parking Control Officers will monitor the march.

Winter Walk SF

Friday, Dec. 13 through Sunday, Dec. 22: <u>Winter Walk</u>, San Francisco's signature holiday event will return to Union Square area for a 10-day celebration that transforms two blocks of Stockton Street into a festive holiday destination.

This event features elaborate holiday decor, captivating performances, programmed snow, and seasonal offerings of food, drink, activities and shops. For more details of Winter Walk SF, visit <u>visitunionsquaresf.com</u>. Below are event hours during the celebration:

- Monday to Wednesday, from noon to 7 p.m.
- Thursday to Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 8 through Tuesday, Dec. 24: A street closure of Stockton Street between Post and O'Farrell streets will be required from 11:59 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 8 and continuing through 10 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 24.

The following Muni routes will be affected: 8 Bayshore; 8AX Bayshore A Express; 8BX Bayshore B Express; 15 Bayview Hunters Point Express; 30 Stockton; 45 Union/Stockton; 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl; and T Third Street Bus.



Dogpatch Winter Market

Saturday, Dec. 7: The inaugural Dogpatch Winter Market will take place, from 11a.m. to 6 p.m.

A street closure of 22nd Street between 3rd and Illinois streets will be required from 7a.m. to 8 p.m., Saturday.

The following Muni route will be impacted: 48 Quintara/24th Street.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPCOMING: Muni Fare Changes Effective Jan. 1, 2025

Effective Jan. 1, 2025, there will be some changes to Muni fares. Changes include both increases and decreases, based on public feedback received during our budget process in spring 2024. For details of these changes, visit <u>sfmta.com/muni-fare-changes</u> (Note: The fares not listed will remain the same.

The Clipper and MuniMobile discount will be reduced from \$0.50 to \$0.25 to help offset our rising costs while minimizing the impact on customers. Cash fare will remain the same at \$3.00.

After feedback collected from the public, these fare changes were included as part of the SFMTA's 2024-2026 budget, which began on July 1, 2024. For more information, visit our <u>Fares</u> webpage or call 311.

<u>ONGOING</u>

ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B

The L Taraval Improvement Project is a multi-agency collaboration to improve safety, accessibility, and transit reliability, and to rehabilitate aging rails, utility lines and roadway pavement along the L Taraval line between Sunset Boulevard and 15th Avenue and on Ulloa Street near West Portal.



ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project-Segment B continued

We are happy to share that the L Taraval Improvement Project has been substantially completed, on time and on budget! The <u>L Taraval train service</u> returned on Saturday, Sept. 28. The City would like to thank our community partners, residents and merchants for their support and patience throughout the project design and construction. Their input has helped to build a better Taraval for everyone who enjoys the corridor.

While the biggest work is behind us, there are still a few smaller "punch list" items remaining, such as adjusting utility lines, refreshing transit lane paint, boarding island grout work, removing construction materials and installing transit shelters.

To see some project highlights, check out <u>self-guided virtual tour</u>; or go for a train ride down Taraval to experience the real thing!

L Taraval Train Service

L Taraval trains resumed service between Embarcadero Station and SF Zoo. Riders will once again be able to enjoy a one-seat ride from downtown to the beach. Trains will run on 10-minute frequencies on weekdays and 12-minutes on weekends. Board trains at the platform or street instead of using the buses at the curb. L Bus service will be discontinued.

For additional project details, visit <u>SFMTA.com/LTaraval</u>. For construction updates and more information, visit the <u>Project Update</u> page.

Masks Recommended

Masks are no longer required, but are encouraged in any SFMTA facilities, transit hubs or on vehicles including Muni buses, streetcars, light rail vehicles or cable cars or in taxis or on paratransit.

ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program

The SFMTA's program, Essential Trip Card (ETC) Program, assists people with disabilities and older adults to make essential trips using taxis. The program provides two to three round trips at an 80% discount per month, i.e. rider pays \$6 to receive a value of \$30 or pays \$12 to receive a \$60 value. If essential needs require it, riders may receive additional value up to \$120 of taxi service per month.



ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program continued

To qualify for the program, customer must be either age 65 or older or an adult with disabilities. Eligible adults may apply for the ETC program by calling the Paratransit Mobility Management office at 415-351-7053. Staff are available weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. Visit https://www.sfmta.com/etc for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory.

SFMTA's Shop-a-Round program which offers registered seniors and people with disabilities personalized assistance and rides to and from grocery stores and farmers markets is available as well. For more information, visit https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round.

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To help with your travel plans to special events in the City of San Francisco, this release will be updated on a weekly basis. Whether you are a visitor or a local resident in the City, we hope you have an enjoyable weekend!

For more information on Muni service, please call the San Francisco Customer Service Center at 311 or visit<u>www.sfmta.com</u>. For additional information on Muni's Accessible Services Program, please call (415) 701-4485 or TTY (415) 701-4730.

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