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PRESS RELEASE

Ride Muni Free on New Year's Eve 20-Year Tradition Encourages Responsible Celebration

SAN FRANCISCO - The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) will offer free rides on New Year's Eve from 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 31 through 5 a.m. on Wednesday, January 1. This year's *Ride Muni Free New Year's Eve* is sponsored by 76®.

"We wish all San Francisco residents, workers and visitors a safe and happy New Year," said Jeffrey Tumlin, SFMTA Director of Transportation. "So to help everyone celebrate the end of 2019 without the worry of drinking and driving, we are providing free Muni service on New Year's Eve to get you around the city and safely home."

"2019 marks our 20th year in supporting *Ride Muni free on New Year's Eve*! We want to wish everyone a safe, joyful, and happy New Year by being a passenger, not a driver. Leave the driving to Muni from 8 p.m. To 5 a.m. 76®. We're on the driver's side" said Bree Januhowski, 76® Brand Director.

This program supports San Francisco's [Vision Zero](#) goal to eliminate traffic fatalities.

Ride Muni Free New Year's Eve includes all Muni lines and routes. All information, including schedules and stops, will be posted on www.sfmta.com/nye. Clipper Card customers should NOT tap their cards to make sure they don't get charged a fare. Muni Mobile passes will not be necessary. Metro fare gates will be open that night.

Don't drink and drive, let Muni do the driving.

New Year's Eve Muni Service:

- Complimentary Muni service from 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 31 to 5 a.m. on Wednesday, January 1.
- Owl service frequency is doubled on the 5 Fulton, 14 Mission, 22 Fillmore, 24 Divisadero, 25 Treasure Island, 38 Geary, 44 O'Shaughnessy, 48 Quintara-24th, 90 Owl, 91 Owl, L Owl and N Owl routes.
- Extra LRV Metro shuttles will run from West Portal to 4th and King until 2:15 a.m.
- Extra LRV Metro service between Embarcadero and West Portal will run until 5 a.m.
- Service on cable cars will be provided by buses after approximately 6 p.m.
- Service on the F Market & Wharves will be provided by buses all day.



At midnight on New Year's Eve, a city-sponsored fireworks show from a barge off of The Embarcadero, south of the Ferry Building will take place. Motorists should anticipate delays in the area from approximately 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. No closures or re-routes are planned. SFPD and SFMTA will monitor for any necessary re-routes. For details, please visit www.sfmta.com.

BART will provide additional service until approximately 3 a.m., January 1. After 8 p.m. BART service to and from the East Bay will be split between Embarcadero and Montgomery stations. **Antioch and Richmond** line trains heading into San Francisco **will not stop** at Embarcadero Station. Exit at Montgomery Street Station for the fireworks show. **Dublin/Pleasanton and Fremont/Warm Springs** line trains **will not stop** at Montgomery Street Station. After the fireworks, **Dublin/Pleasanton and Fremont/Warm Springs** trains **will not stop** at West Oakland. The first East Bay stop is Lake Merritt Station. Millbrae and Daly City passengers should use Montgomery Street Station. Full fare pricing will be in effect. For more details, please visit www.bart.gov.

Caltrain service will be free after 8 p.m. on New Year's Eve and continue until 5 a.m. For more details, please visit www.caltrain.com.

SamTrans will offer free rides on all buses beginning at 8 p.m. on December 31 until 5 a.m. on January 1. For more details, please visit <http://www.samtrans.com>