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# \*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\* SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for Weekends of Saturday, Dec. 25, 2020 and Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022

**San Francisco**—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for holiday weekends of Christmas and New Year, from **Thursday, Dec. 23, 2021 through Sunday, Jan. 2, 2022**.

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.

### Federal Law Requires Face Masks on Muni

To help stop the spread of COVID-19, <u>federal law requires wearing a mask</u> in Muni stations and while riding transit. Violations can result in denial of boarding or removal from Muni and may carry federal penalties. Face coverings like scarves and bandanas do not meet this requirement. Under guidelines issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, taxi drivers are required to wear a face covering while transporting passengers. For more information, please visit <u>sfmta.com/COVID</u>.

#### Parking Enforcement for Christmas and New Year's Day

On Friday, Dec. 24, and Friday, Dec. 31, street cleaning will not be enforced anywhere in the city. All residential permit zones and all meters, passenger and commercial loading zones will be enforced on both Fridays, Dec. 24 and Dec. 31.

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#### Parking Enforcement for Christmas and New Year's Day continued

On Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, 2021 and New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022, the following parking regulations <u>will not</u> be enforced anywhere in the city: parking meters, seven-day street sweeping, residential parking permits, Monday-Friday daytime street sweeping and commuter towaway.

On Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, 2021 and New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022, the Safety Violations (No Stopping, No Parking, Red Zones, Blue Zones) will be enforced

Vehicles creating a hazard and/or an unsafe condition (i.e. double parking, blocking a bike lane, blocking driveways, blocking crosswalks, fire hydrants, etc.) are subject to receiving citations and can possibly be towed.

Note: Parking meters in the City are enforced Monday through Saturday with exception of the following areas where parking meters are enforced seven days per week throughout the year except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day:

- Parking meters in the Fisherman's Wharf area
- Along The Embarcadero Roadway
- In the Special Event Area around AT&T Park
- Five metered off-street parking facilities listed below:
  - o 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Clement Street
  - o 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Clement Street
  - Geary Boulevard at 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue
  - o 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue at Geary Boulevard
  - Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

# Muni Schedule for Christmas and New Year's Day

On Christmas Eve Day, Friday, Dec. 24 and New Year's Eve Day, Friday, Dec. 31, Muni will operate with a weekday schedule both Fridays.

**On Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, 2021 and New Year's Day, Saturday, Jan. 1, 2022,** Muni will operate with a Saturday schedule both Saturdays.



## **Basketball Games at Chase Center**

#### Thursday, Dec. 23, 2021 through Monday, Jan. 3, 2022: The Warriors will play four games:

- **Thursday, Dec. 23**: The Warriors will play against the **Memphis Grizzlies**. Game will start at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.
- **Tuesday, Dec. 28**: The Warriors will play against the **Denver Nuggets**. Game will start at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, Jan. 3, 2022: The Warriors will play against the Miami Heat. Game will start at 7 p.m. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m.

### Supplemental Muni Service

Muni will operate supplemental 78X Arena Express service:

- **Pre-event express shuttle service** from 16<sup>th</sup> Street BART Station to 16<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> streets 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 16<sup>th</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> streets to 16<sup>th</sup> 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 \$8 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.

### 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:

- 16<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Northbound 3<sup>rd</sup> Street between 16<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> streets.



#### Basketball Games at Chase Center continued

#### 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:

- 16<sup>th</sup> Street between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Terry Francois Boulevard (TFB) between Warriors Way and the 700 Block of 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 (formerly South Street) at Bridgeview Way.

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>.

### **GLIDE's Holiday Meal Service**

**On Friday, Dec. 24, and Saturday Dec. 25,** the GLIDE Foundation will be holding its annual Christmas Eve and Christmas Day meal service to provide hot meals to Tenderloin and San Francisco residents during the holidays.

A street closure of Ellis Street between Taylor and Jones streets will be required from 6 a.m. **Thursday, Dec. 23 through 6 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, 2021**:

There will be no impact on Muni bus service.

### **City Impact Christmas Outreach**

**On Saturday, Dec. 25**, the San Francisco City Impact will be hosting a holiday party for the residents in the Tenderloin District on Jones Street between Eddy and Turk streets.

Jones Street between Eddy and Turk streets will be closed from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 25.

The **27 Bryant** Muni route will be affected.

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# New Year's Eve: Fireworks, Extra Muni Service and Ride Muni Free

**On Friday, Dec. 31, 2021**, there will be various celebrations of the New Year hosted throughout San Francisco City. Crowds are expected in the Castro, North Beach, Cow Hollow, and South of Market areas. A free, City-sponsored event with fireworks will occur on The Embarcadero south of the Ferry Building, near Pier 14. Fireworks will take place at midnight and will last for about 15 minutes. To achieve the City's goals of the "Transit First and Vision Zero" program, event goers are strongly encouraged to take public transit to their destinations. All Muni Transit Service will be free starting at 8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 31, until 5 a.m. on Saturday, Jan 1, 2022.

The SFMTA will supplement extra transit service on the OWL network and the Metro Subway service. Metro subway will remain open until 2:15 a.m. on New Year's Day.

During the free service period, Metro fare gates will be open. Customers please:

- **DO NOT** tag their clipper® card. or a MuniMobile ticket
- **<u>DO NOT</u> activate** a MuniMobile ticket

For more details visit <u>SFMTA.com/NYE</u>.

# CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

### **UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project**

# There will be NO construction activity scheduled for holiday weekends of Christmas and New Year, Friday, Dec. 24 and Friday, Dec. 31, 2021.

Current lane changes will remain in place. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit <u>SFMTA.com/VanNess</u>.



# <u>ONGOING</u>

# ONGOING: Muni's COVID-19 Core Service Network

Some Muni routes have been modified as a result of COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, the city's emergency order and ongoing resource constraints. **Muni Metro's subway hours have been extended to midnight, Monday through Saturday and until 10 p.m. on Sunday**, visit the <u>Service Changes</u> webpage for details. For details on Muni's current routes and service, visit individual route webpages or the <u>Muni Core Service Plan</u>. For more information about Muni Metro rail service and Metro bus substitution, visit the <u>Rail Recovery</u> webpage.

### Current Muni Service:

**The following Muni routes run from 5 a.m. to midnight daily:** 1 California, 5 Fulton, 8 Bayshore, 9 San Bruno, 14 Mission, 22 Fillmore, 24 Divisadero, 25 Treasure Island, 28 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 29 Sunset, 30 Stockton, 38 Geary, 43 Masonic, 44 O'Shaughnessy, 48 Quintara/24th Street and 49 Van Ness.

#### Until further notice, Muni buses will continue to serve the L Taraval Metro line.

- Core Routes in Service: F Market & Wharves (Fisherman's Wharf and Castro & Market streets); J Church (Balboa Park to Church & Duboce streets); KT Ingleside-Third; M Ocean View; N Judah (Ocean Beach to 4<sup>th</sup> and King streets); L Taraval Bus (all buses) (SF Zoo to Embarcadero); 1 California; 5 Fulton; 5R Fulton Rapid; 7 Noriega; 8 Bayshore (rerouted to Stockton); 9 San Bruno, 9R San Bruno Rapid (weekday only); 12 Folsom/Pacific (Financial District to Rincon Hill), 14 Mission; 14R Mission Rapid; 15 Bayview-Hunters Point Express; 18 46th Avenue; 19 Polk; 22 Fillmore; 23 Monterey (modified route); 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 27 Bryant (modified route); 28 19th Avenue; 29 Sunset; 30 Stockton; 31 Balboa; 33 Ashbury-18th Street; 35 Eureka; 36 Teresita; 37 Corbett (Twin Peaks and Van Ness & Market Street); 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; 39 Coit; 43 Masonic (Geary Boulevard to Crocker Amazon); 44 O'Shaughnessy; 45 Union-Stockton; 48 Quintara/24th Street (modified route); 49 Van Ness/Mission (extended from North Point to Powell and Beach); 52 Excelsior (modified route); 54 Felton (Daly City BART to Hunters Point); 55 Dogpatch; 56 Rutland; 57 Parkmerced (modified route); 58 Lake Merced (NEW); 66 Quintara (modified route) and 67 Bernal Heights.
- Daily Owl service starts at midnight, except for the L Owl which begins service at 10 p.m.



#### ONGOING: Muni's COVID-19 Core Service Network continued

• The following routes are running 24 hours a day or providing special Owl Service: L Owl; N Owl; 5 Fulton; 14 Mission; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 38 Geary; 44 O'Shaughnessy; 48 Quintara/24th Street; 90 San Bruno Owl; 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl.

# ONGOING: 19th Avenue (CA Route 1) Combined City Project

San Francisco Public Works is leading a multi-agency project to replace aging infrastructure and improve safety along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue between Holloway Avenue and Lincoln Way.

Construction work for the first segment of this project along 19th Avenue between Lincoln Way and Noriega Street has begun.

As part of the <u>19th Avenue Combined City Project</u>, the SFMTA will implement transit priority and safety improvements for people walking along the route of the 28 19th Avenue. The improvements will make it safer to walk, remove stops to make transit service more reliable, and enhance customers' experiences—on and off the bus.

To improve safety along 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue, the SFMTA will: **1)** install pedestrian bulbs at 19 intersections and transit bulbs at 13 intersections; **2)** modify traffic and pedestrian signals to give people who walk more time to cross the street; and **3)** extend the bus zone at one intersection. Installing transit bulbs allow Muni vehicles to stop for passengers without having to pull out of traffic, and pedestrian bulbs increase the visibility at intersections of people who walk.

As part of the project, seven Muni stops were removed on 19th Avenue between Irving Street and Ocean Avenue last October. **The following Muni routes have been affected with the stop removal:** 

- 28 19th Avenue
- 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl

To find additional information about the transit reliability and pedestrian safety components, visit <u>sfmta.com/28Rapid</u>. For overall project information, visit <u>sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue</u>.



#### **ONGOING: Shared Spaces Program**

The city's multi-agency <u>Shared Spaces</u> program opened some parts of streets in San Francisco to create public space for outdoor dining, retail, cultural activities and physical distancing. The program allows the use of sidewalks, parking space, full or partial streets, or other nearby public spaces like parks and plazas for a wide range of activities responding to the COVID pandemic, as allowed by San Francisco's Public Health Order. For details, locations and updates on street closures related to Shared Spaces, visit <u>SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces</u>.

#### **ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program**

The SFMTA's temporary special program, <u>Essential Trip Card</u> (ETC) Program, will assist people with disabilities and older adults to make essential trips under Muni's temporary transit changes. 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. Riders may receive additional value up to \$120 of taxi service per month per customer upon request.

**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 311 and mentioning the program. Staff will be available between 9 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday. Visit <u>https://www.sfmta.com/etc</u> for additional details and for a list of San Francisco taxi companies, visit <u>https://www.sfmta.com/taxi/directory</u>.

SFMTA's pre-existing Shop-a-Round program that offers registered seniors and people with disabilities personalized assistance and rides to and from grocery stores and farmers markets is still available and will continue post public health order. For more information, visit <u>https://www.sfmta.com/shop-round</u>.

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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.

For Muni route, schedule, fare and accessible services information anytime: Visit <u>www.sfmta.com</u> or contact 311 **311 Free language assistance** / 免費語言協助 / Ayuda gratis con el idioma / Бесплатная помощь переводчиков / Trợ giúp Thông dịch Miễn phí / Assistance linguistique gratuite / 無料の言語支援 / 무료 언어 지원 / Libreng tulong para sa wikang Tagalog / การช่วยเหลือทางด้านภาษาโดยไม่เสียค่าใช้ง่าย / المساعدة المجانى على الرقم