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****PRESS RELEASE****

**SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for
Saturday, September 5, 2020**

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this holiday weekend, from **Friday, Sept. 4 through Monday, Sept. 7.**

For real-time updates, follow us on https://twitter.com/sfmta_muni or visit [SFMTA.com/EmailText](https://sfmta.com/EmailText) to sign up for real-time text messages or email alerts.

For details of Muni re-routes, visit [SFMTA.com/Updates](https://sfmta.com/Updates). This website will be updated when it is closer to the event date.

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Labor Day Holiday Muni Service, Parking Will Be Enforced

Monday, Sept. 7 (Labor Day Holiday), Muni will operate on a [Sunday schedule](#).

Parking meters, white zones, seven-day and nightly street sweeping will be enforced citywide on the holiday. Other SFMTA parking programs will not 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.

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Labor Day Holiday Muni Service, Parking Will Be Enforced *continued*

Note: Parking meters in the city are enforced Monday through Saturday **with the 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
- On and near The Embarcadero roadway
- In the Special Event Area around AT&T Park
- Five metered off-street parking facilities listed below:
 - 8th Avenue at Clement Street
 - 9th Avenue at Clement Street
 - Geary Boulevard at 21st Avenue
 - 18th Avenue at Geary Boulevard
 - Pierce Street Garage (between Lombard and Chestnut streets)

UPDATE: Parking enforcement

All parking meters and loading zones are being enforced at this time.

Beginning Monday, Sept. 14, residential permit parking restrictions and general parking time limits will be enforced.

Major Muni Service Expansion During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order

Since Saturday, Aug. 22, Muni extended and improved frequencies on several targeted bus routes to continue to support essential trips and physical distancing. These [service changes](#) will support the city's economic recovery by providing more connections to neighborhood commercial districts as businesses reopen.

Until further notice, Muni buses are serving all Metro lines including the J Church, K Ingleside, L Taraval, M Ocean View, N Judah and T Third.

Since Saturday, Aug. 29, the T Bus and M Bus are no longer a combined (interlined) route. The T Bus is running between Sunnydale and Castro. The M Bus is running as a community shuttle between Balboa Park and West Portal. For service to or from downtown, M Bus passengers should use L or K bus transfers at West Portal Station.

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Major Muni Service Expansion During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order *continued*

Muni staff are working hard to minimize bus frequency impacts while allocating buses to all former rail lines as follows:

- **J Church Bus:** Balboa Park to Church and Market streets, approximately every 12 minutes
- **K Ingleside Bus:** Balboa Park to Embarcadero, approximately every 15 minutes
- **L Taraval (all buses):** San Francisco Zoo to Embarcadero, approximately every 15 minutes
- **N Judah Bus:** Ocean Beach to 4th and King streets, approximately every 10 minutes
- **M Ocean View Bus:** Balboa Park to West Portal, approximately every 12 minutes
- **T Third Bus:** Sunnydale to Castro, approximately every 10 minutes

To learn more information, visit [Muni's Bus Substitution for All Rail Lines](#).

Owl Service (Operate from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. daily)

- **L Taraval Owl:** Run between San Francisco Zoo and Fishman's Wharf with a service frequency of every 30 minutes.
- **N Judah Owl:** Run between Judah & La Playa streets and Townsend & 5th streets with a service frequency of every 30 minutes.
- **91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl:** Run between 19th Avenue and Holloway Street (San Francisco State University) and West Portal with service frequency of every 30 minutes.

To learn more about changes to Muni service, visit [service changes](#) website.

Improving Service Frequency

To allow more room for customers to maintain physical distancing onboard, more frequent service will be provided to the following routes: **8 Bayshore; 9 San Bruno; 9R San Bruno Rapid (only operate on weekdays); 12 Pacific Community Shuttle; 14 Mission; 19 Polk; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 28 19th Avenue; 29 Sunset; 43 Masonic; and 44 O'Shaughnessy.**

- **Core Routes in Service: J Church Bus (Balboa Park to Church and Market streets); K Ingleside (Balboa Park to Embarcadero); L Taraval Bus (all buses) (SF Zoo to Embarcadero); N Judah Bus (Ocean Beach to 4th and King streets); M Ocean View Bus (Balboa Park to West Portal); T Third Bus (Sunnydale to Castro); 1 California; 5 Fulton; 7 Noriega; 8 Bayshore (rerouted to Stockton); 9 San Bruno, 9R San Bruno Rapid (weekday only); 12 Folsom/Pacific (Financial District to Russian Hill), 14 Mission; 14R Mission Rapid; 19 Polk; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 28 19th Avenue (Daly City BART to Geary Boulevard);
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Major Muni Service Expansion During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order *continued*

Core Routes in Service *continued*:

29 Sunset; 30 Stockton; 37 Corbett (Twin Peaks and Van Ness & Market Street); 38 Geary; 38R Geary Rapid; 43 Masonic; 44 O'Shaughnessy; 45 Union-Stockton; 48 Quintara/24th Street (20th at 3rd streets and West Portal Station); 49 Van Ness/Mission (extended from North Point to Powell and Beach); 54 Felton (Balboa Park to Hunters Point); and 67 Bernal Heights.

- **Late-night Owl routes start at 10 p.m. (instead of 1 a.m.) All regular Owl routes are in operation, except:** 5 Fulton and 48 Quintara/24th Street.
- **The following routes are running 24 hours a day or providing special Owl Service:** L Owl; N Owl; 14 Mission; 22 Fillmore; 24 Divisadero; 25 Treasure Island; 38 Geary; 44 O'Shaughnessy; 90 San Bruno Owl; 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl.

Note: Some routes have been modified. Please visit each route's webpage or the [Muni Core Service Plan](#) for more details.

SFMTA's Customer Service Center Resumed Service and Operation Hours

On Monday, Aug. 24, the SFMTA'S Customer Service Center (CSC) re-opened and began providing limited services including:

- Sales of Residential Parking Permit
- Community Service Enrollment
- Payment Plan Enrollment
- Lifeline Program Enrollment

The CSC is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday only.

As of Monday, July 27, the following SFMTA service kiosks have reopened for business. Operation hours are from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week, except holidays.

- Powell and Market Service Kiosk located next to the Cable Car turn around
- Bay and Taylor Service Kiosk located next to the Cable Car turn around
- Presidio Service Kiosk located at the corner of Geary Boulevard and Presidio Avenue

The following SFMTA services are available at all three locations:

- Payments for Parking and Transit citations (citation number or license plate required)
- Purchase of Parking Meter Card
- Purchase of School Coupon Booklet

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SFMTA's Customer Service Center Resumed Service and Operation Hours *continued*

SFMTA services are available at three service kiosks *continued*

- Retrieve paper applications for Community Service and Payment Plan. Application for Enrollment of Low-Income Discount Program
- Customers can also drop off complete applications for these programs at any of these locations.

The following Clipper services are available at services kiosks at Powell and Market streets and at Presidio Avenue:

- Purchase passes and load value
- Apply for and issue Senior and Youth Clipper cards

UPDATE: Shared Spaces Program

The city's multi-agency Shared Spaces program opened parts of Valencia Street in the Mission District and Grant Street in Chinatown to create public space for outdoor dining, retail and physical distance. This program was launched by Mayor London Breed to support the economic and social recovery of neighborhood businesses by allowing them to use sidewalks, full or partial streets, or other nearby public spaces like parks and plazas for restaurant pick-up and other neighborhood retail activity, as allowed by San Francisco's Public Health Order. Street closures for Shared Spaces will be detailed in the SFMTA's weekend releases.

Shared Spaces – North Beach First Friday (New)

On Friday, Sept. 4, the North Beach Business Association is hosting a pandemic appropriate, stripped down version of the annual North Beach Fair. For more details, contact the [Office of Supervisor Peskin](#).

The following street closures will be required between 11 a.m. and 11 p.m.:

- Grant Avenue between Columbus Avenue and Filbert Street
- Green Street between Columbus and Grant avenues

The intersection of Grant Avenue and Green Street will be closed. All other intersections will remain open.

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UPDATE: Shared Spaces Program *continued*

Shared Spaces - SoMa Closure for Sunday Streets

On Sunday, Aug. 30, a “Shared Spaces” version of the Sunday Streets was set to begin but was delayed by the organizers due to air quality concerns. For more information, visit [Livable City](#).

In place of the normal one-time Sunday Streets events, there will be a **weekly street closure taking place on Folsom Street between 6th and 9th streets every Sunday through Oct. 25** from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. with activities planned from 11 a.m. through 4 p.m.

Shared Spaces – Hayes Valley

Friday, Aug. 28 and continuing through Dec., three blocks of Hayes Street in Hayes Valley will be closed to vehicle traffic to create a “Shared Spaces” zone for economic recovery activities for businesses in the area. For more details, visit the [Hayes Valley Neighborhood Association](#) website or contact the [Office of Supervisor Preston](#).

Friday, Aug. 28, through Sunday, Dec. 27, the following street closures will be required from **4 to 10 p.m. every Friday; and from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday**:

- Hayes Street between Laguna and Gough streets
- Octavia Street between Hayes and Ivy streets
- Hayes Street between Gough and Franklin streets

The intersection of Hayes and Octavia streets will be closed; other intersections will remain open. Parking spaces on the periphery of the closures will be posted as “no parking” to create zones for deliveries, takeout, and active passenger loading and unloading.

Shared Spaces – Castro

From Sunday, Aug. 23 and continuing through Dec., two blocks of 18th Street in the Castro are closed to vehicle traffic to create a “Shared Spaces” zone for economic recovery activities for businesses in the area. For more details, visit [Castro Merchants](#) website or contact the [Office of Supervisor Mandelman](#).

From Sunday, Aug. 23 through Sunday, Dec. 27, the following street closures are required from 1 to 10 p.m., every Sunday:

- 18th Street between Collingwood and Castro streets
- 18th Street between Castro and Hartford streets

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UPDATE: Shared Spaces Program *continued*

Shared Spaces – Castro *continued*

The 18th and Collingwood parking lot will be inaccessible during the closure. Some parking spaces on Castro, 18th and Collingwood streets will also be posted as “no parking” to create zones for deliveries, takeout, and active passenger loading and unloading.

Shared Spaces - Outer Sunset

Since Thursday, Aug. 20, and continuing through Dec., one block of Irving Street in the Outer Sunset is closed to vehicle traffic to create a “Shared Spaces” zone for economic recovery activities for businesses in the area. For more details, contact the [Office of Supervisor Mar.](#)

From Sunday, Aug. 23 through Thursday, Dec. 31, a closure of Irving Street between 19th and 20th avenues will be required on days and times specified:

- Between 3:30 and 11 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays
- Between 10:30 a.m. and 11 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays

Shared Spaces - Valencia

Since Thursday, July 23, two blocks of Valencia Street have been closed to vehicle traffic to create a “Shared Spaces” zone for economic recovery activities for businesses in the area. For more details, contact the [Valencia Corridor Merchants Association](#), the [Office of Supervisor Ronen](#), or the [Office of Supervisor Mandelman](#).

From Thursday, July 23 through Sunday, Nov. 1, every Thursday through Sunday, the following street closures are required from 4 to 10 p.m.:

- Valencia Street between 16th and 17th streets
- Valencia Street between 18th and 19th streets

In addition, the block of Valencia Street between 17th and 18th streets are posted as “no parking” during the same times to create a combined zone for deliveries and for active pedestrian loading and unloading.

Shared Spaces - Grant Avenue

Since Saturday, July 18, three blocks of Grant Avenue have been closed to vehicle traffic to create a “Shared Spaces” zone for economic recovery activities for businesses in Chinatown. For more details, contact the [Office of Supervisor Peskin](#).

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UPDATE: Shared Spaces Program *continued*

Shared Spaces - Grant Avenue continued

From Saturday, July 18 through Sunday, Sept. 27, every Saturday and Sunday, the following streets closures are required **from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.**:

- Grant Avenue between California and Washington streets
- Commercial Street between Kearny Street and Grant Avenue

For more program details visit <https://sf.gov/shared-space>.

Essential Trip Card Discount Program

To assist people with disabilities and older adults with making essential trips under Muni's temporary transit changes, the SFMTA recently launched the [Essential Trip Card](#) (ETC) Program to address this need. This is a temporary special program that 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. The discount is limited to a value of \$60 taxi service per month per customer.

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 <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 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 <https://www.sfparatransit.com/shop-a-round>.

Slow Streets Program

In order to support further reopening of the economy, we need to make San Francisco more welcoming and accessible for people who want to travel on foot, bicycle, wheelchair, scooter, skateboard or other forms of micromobility. Slow Streets are critical infrastructure that attracts users of the full array of neighborhood demographics—including children, older adults, people with disabilities and people of color.

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Slow Streets Program *continued*

- Streets are not closed completely and local vehicle access is allowed (e.g., driveway access for residents).
- Slow Streets are shared streets, all users must give way to others as appropriate. People walking/running/biking do not have exclusive right-of-way over motor vehicles.
- Once installed, Slow Streets corridors will be in effect 24/7.

The SFMTA will continue to monitor the use of Slow Streets to minimize impacts on surrounding streets and welcome feedback from the community. Below is a list of slow streets already implemented:

- 20th Avenue from Lincoln Boulevard to Ortega Street
- 20th Street from Valencia Street to Potrero Avenue
- 23rd Avenue from Lake to Cabrillo streets
- 41st Avenue from Lincoln Way to Vicente Street
- Chenery Street from Burnside Avenue to Lippard Avenue
- Excelsior Avenue from London to Munich streets
- Golden Gate Avenue from Masonic Avenue to Broderick Street
- Kirkham Street from Great Highway to 7th Avenue
- Lake Street from 28th to 2nd avenues
- Lane Street from Oakdale Avenue to Third Street
- Lombard between Mason and Powell streets
- Mariposa Street from Kansas to Texas streets
- Ortega Street from 47th to 15th avenues
- Page Street from Stanyan to Gough streets
- Sanchez Street from 23rd to 30th streets
- Shotwell Street from Cesar Chavez to 14th Street
- Somerset Street from Silver Avenue to Woolsey Street

Learn more about current and proposed Slow Streets locations by visiting [SFMTA.com/SlowStreets](https://www.sfmta.com/SlowStreets).

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

On Friday, Sept. 4, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 7 a.m., crews are scheduled to work on traffic improvements, sewer work, overhead power installations, light pole setting, and related work at the following locations:

- Van Ness between Greenwich and Lombard streets
- Van Ness between Filbert and Greenwich streets
- Van Ness between Union and Filbert streets
- Van Ness between Green and Union streets
- Van Ness between Vallejo and Green
- Van Ness between Broadway and Vallejo
- Van Ness between Pacific and Broadway
- Van Ness between Jackson and Pacific

Because some work requires reducing Van Ness Avenue to one lane in each direction, some work is limited to nighttime hours. Construction scheduling is subject to change due to weather delays or unexpected field conditions. For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit sfmta.com/vanness.

ONGOING: L Taraval Improvement Project

Since Aug. 2019, traffic pattern on lower Great Highway between Ulloa and Santiago streets has been changed. Northbound travel lane on lower Great Highway has been rerouted to 48th Avenue for two blocks between Ulloa and Santiago streets. Southbound travel lane will continue on lower Great Highway as usual. This will be in effect until project completion in fall 2021. For project details, visit [SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project](https://sfmta.com/LTaravalProject).

ONGOING: Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project

Effective Wednesday, April 8, the construction shuttle service has been suspended until further notice. Construction on Jefferson Street will continue by San Francisco Public Works. For information regarding Muni service adjustments, visit [SFMTA.com/COVID-19](https://sfmta.com/COVID-19).

For more information about Phase Two of the Jefferson Streetscape Improvement Project, visit <http://www.sfpublicworks.org/jefferson>.

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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. All road users are encouraged to be aware, share the roadway and to follow all rules to ensure everyone's safety. Whether you are riding Muni, taking a taxi, walking, riding a bike or driving, please remain vigilant to keep everyone safe. If you see suspicious activity, please report it.

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

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