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****PRESS RELEASE****

**SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory for
Thursday, May 18 through Wednesday, May 24, 2023**

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this week, from **Thursday, May 18 through Wednesday, May 24, 2023**.

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.

For additional notifications and agency updates, subscribe to our blog, [Moving SF](#) for [daily](#) or [weekly](#) updates.

Masks Recommended

Following the latest guidance from the [California Department of Public Health](#) (CDPH), San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFPDH) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), masks are strongly recommended but no longer required 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.

San Francisco Giants Baseball Game

Friday, May 19 to Sunday, May 21: The San Francisco Giants will play three home games at the ballpark. Listed below are start times for these games and SF Giants to play:

- **Three games against the Miami Marlins: 1)** 7:15 p.m., Friday, May 19; **2)** 1:05 p.m., Saturday, May 20; and **3)** 1:05 p.m., Sunday, May 21.

For more event details, visit www.mlb.com/giants.

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San Francisco Giants Baseball Game *continued*

Street Closures

To accommodate events that will take place at the ballpark, the following street closures will be enforced:

- Two and a half hours before the opening pitch, the SFMTA will close eastbound King Street between 3rd and 2nd streets to vehicle traffic. King Street will reopen after first pitch until the seventh inning.
- From the seventh inning until post-game traffic dies down, the SFMTA will again close eastbound King Street between 3rd and 2nd streets to vehicle traffic in order to reduce congestion on city streets.
- Additionally, the northbound portion of the 4th Street Bridge (Peter R. Maloney Bridge) will be closed to all traffic except Muni, taxis and bicycles during the post-game period.

Taxi Stands

- 2nd Street, west side, between Brannan and King Streets
- 2nd Street, east side, between Townsend and King Streets
- 3rd Street, east side, north of King Street

Special Event Parking Rates

During baseball games and other major events with more than 10,000 expected attendees at the ballpark, **parking meters close to the ballpark will charge a special event rate of \$9 per hour.** These rates help reduce congestion and keep parking spots available in the neighborhoods near the ballpark, 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.

For additional details and about transportation to ballpark, visit www.sfmta.com/oracle-park.

Alfa Romeo Car Show

Saturday, May 20, The San Francisco Italian Athletic Club will host a car show on Stockton Street alongside Washington Square Park.

Stockton Street will be closed between Filbert and Union streets from 6 a.m. through 2 p.m. for this event.

The 39 Coit Muni route will be rerouted.

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Harvey Milk Day 2023

Saturday, May 20: A block party for a tribute to Harvey Milk and a celebration of life and legacy of the “Mayor of Castro Street” will take place from 2 to 6 p.m. in Jane Warner Plaza at Castro and 17th Street.

There will be no street closure for the event.

The F Market & Wharves Muni line will be rerouted.

Annual Bay to Breakers Race

Sunday, May 21: The annual Bay to Breakers Race will take place. The SFMTA will provide pre- and post-race service on several Muni rail lines and bus routes for the event.

Significant service disruptions to Muni bus routes and rail lines are anticipated because the race route closures include Howard Street, 9th Street, Hayes Street and Fell Street for approximately four hours. This effectively cuts the city into half.

One of the largest running events in the world, Bay to Breakers will close many streets from the starting line at Main and Howard streets on the east side of San Francisco to the finishing line on the west side of the city on the Great Highway. **Once the race begins, travelers will only have two options to cross the north/south portion of the race course. The Embarcadero and Crossover Drive (which connects 19th Avenue, south of Golden Gate Park to Park Presidio Boulevard and 25th Avenue, north of Golden Gate Park).** Travelers should expect delays due to street closures during the race and crowds of racers and spectators both before and after the race. The race will begin at 8 a.m. and conclude in the early afternoon.

For real-time updates, follow us on https://twitter.com/sfmta_muni.

For additional event details, visit <http://baytobreakers.com/> or call 415-231-3130.

For event course map, visit baytobreakers.com/course-map.

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Annual Bay to Breakers Race *continued*

Muni Service

Pre- and Post- Event Muni Fare

Muni customers are strongly encouraged to purchase their fare in advance or use Clipper Card to attend this event. For more information on using Clipper on Muni, visit clippercard.com/muni.

Muni customers may also use [MuniMobile](#), an official SFMTA app, to save time by instantly buying tickets for Muni bus, rail, cable car, and paratransit services on their iPhone and Android devices. Tickets can be purchased through a credit/debit card or PayPal account for individual or multiple riders on one smartphone. Customers can buy tickets ahead of time and activate when they are ready to ride - with MuniMobile, your phone is your fare.

The **SFMTA Mobile Sales Van** will be located at Fulton and 48th Avenue for customers to purchase tickets from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Single Ride Muni Fare

A single ride fare on Muni is good for two hours of travel, whether it be on a single route or a trip with multiple transfers across buses and light rail. Customers who purchase their fares in advance using a Clipper® Card or to use the official SFMTA app, [MuniMobile](#), can save 25 cents per trip. For more details visit <https://www.sfmta.com/getting-around/transit/fares-passes/single-rides-transfers>.

Pre-Race Express Service, 6 to 8 a.m.

The **5R Fulton Rapid** bus will depart from Fulton Street and 47th Avenue, making stops at all rapid stops between 47th Avenue and Beale and Mission streets. Regular **5 Fulton** service will also be available.

The **N Judah Bus** will depart from Judah and La Playa streets traveling to Caltrain, as part of regular service.

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Annual Bay to Breakers Race *continued*

Post-Race Service, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

In addition to the local Muni routes that serve Golden Gate Park, supplemental post-race Muni service will be located on both the north and south sides of Golden Gate Park. All post-race express service will end at 2 p.m.

There will be extra trains for the N Judah LRV to provide regular service on the south side of Golden Gate Park from Judah and La Playa streets to Caltrain/Ballpark.

The 5RX Fulton Rapid Express Bus will depart from Fulton and La Playa streets, operate regular service to Civic Center Muni/BART Station and will serve all 5R stops in between.

28 19th Avenue will provide extra service between Geary Boulevard and Daly City from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Muni Service Details:

- Significant service disruptions to Muni bus routes and rail lines are anticipated because the race route closures include Howard Street, 9th Street, Hayes Street, Fell Street, Great Highway and John F. Kennedy Drive for approximately four hours. This effectively cuts the city into half.
- Affected Muni routes on Saturday after 7 p.m.: 12, 18
- Affected Muni routes and lines on Sunday before 4 p.m.: 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 14R, 15, 18, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 33, 38, 38R, 43, 44, 45, 49, F, J-Bus, K-Bus, N-Bus, T-Bus.
- Affected city areas: Downtown, Civic Center, Hayes Valley, Panhandle, Golden Gate Park.
- Pre-race service hours: 6 to 8 a.m., post-race hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Pre-race bus service will be provided from 47th Avenue and Fulton Street and Judah and La Playa streets.
- Post-race 5RX Fulton Rapid Express bus service will be provided from 47th Avenue and Fulton Street. These buses will travel express to Civic Center BART Station with a drop off on Market Street at UN Plaza.
- Post-race extra service on N Judah LRV and 28 19th Avenue.
- Streets will be re-opened once the runners have passed and the streets have been cleaned.
- Large crowds are expected. Participants and spectators should plan for additional return travel time.

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Annual Bay to Breakers Race *continued*

Regional Transit Options

BART and Caltrain will operate special early Sunday morning service and Private Chartered Buses will operate express buses from Mill Valley, Emeryville and Millbrae BART stations for the race. Race participants and fans using Bay Area public transportation systems are strongly encouraged to purchase their fares in advance or use Clipper® Card to attend this event. For details of race day transportation, visit <https://www.showclix.com/event/bay-to-breakers>.

- Instead of the usual Sunday morning start at 8 a.m., **BART will run select service to limited BART stations to get to Bay to Breakers.** For more information visit www.bart.gov/news/.
- Caltrain will offer four extra pre-race trains to San Francisco and one local train after the race to San Jose. For this special event schedule, visit <https://www.caltrain.com/bay-breakers-2023>

Sunday Streets – Bayview Community Block Party

Sunday, May 21: The first Sunday Streets event for 2023 will be held in the Bayview neighborhood. The route is changed significantly from past years. This is a significantly altered event from past Sunday Streets, consisting of a small street fair rather than an extended route.

Sunday Streets is an open streets event put on as a joint project between the SFMTA and Livable City to promote active lifestyle and bicycle and pedestrian activities. Streets will be closed to traffic and turned over for bike and pedestrian activities for these events. The event is free to all participants. For event details visit www.sundaystreetssf.com/bayview.

The following street closures will be required from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday:

- Galvez Avenue between Phelps and Mendell streets
- Mendell Street between Fairfax and Hudson avenues

There will be no impact on Muni service.

Heklina: A Memorial

Tuesday, May 23: A memorial celebration honoring the life of Heklina will be held at the Castro Theatre at 8 p.m. The celebration will also be shown on screens on Castro Theatre as part of an expanded public event beginning at 6 p.m., see [here](#) for more information.

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Heklina: A Memorial *continued*

A closure of Castro Street between Market and 18th streets will be in place from noon until midnight, Tuesday, May 23.

The 24 Divisadero and 35 Eureka Muni routes will be rerouted.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: 16th Street Improvement Project

As part of the Muni Forward Program and to improve reliability, speed and increase overall system effectiveness for the key 22 Fillmore route, the 16th Street Improvement Project is part of a larger network of proposed or planned improvements to the Muni system.

There is no active construction scheduled for this weekend.

For more project details and the latest construction updates, visit www.sfmta.com/16thStreet.

UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B

The L Taraval Improvement project continues construction along Segment B replacing and repairing the infrastructure along the L Taraval line between Sunset Boulevard and 15th Avenue, and on Ulloa Street near West Portal.

The project is a comprehensive infrastructure rehabilitation of sewer and water lines and streetscape project. The project will address safety concerns for customers boarding Muni, address the much-needed rehabilitation of aging sewer and water lines while bringing streetscape improvements to the Taraval corridor for added vibrancy.

Work continues on water lines, as well as on the overhead contact system (OCS) that powers the trains. OCS work has transitioned to underground conduit work to support power to the trains and the new and existing streetlights. Curb ramp work has started with demolition and grading areas in preparation for construction of the new boarding ramps and to upgrade existing boarding ramps. Track work is expected to begin over the next few weeks.

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UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project—Segment B *continued*

The rail tracks west of the intersection of Ulloa and Madrone streets have been taken offline to facilitate the reconstruction of the water and sewer mains as well as replace the tracks and overhead lines. The upgraded sewer and water lines, permanent boarding islands and increased accessibility will make riding safer and more reliable.

The L Bus now runs between West Portal and the SF Zoo. Customer can transfer to a train at West Portal Station to travel downtown.

The inbound stop at Taraval Street and 15th Avenue has been relocated across the intersection until fall 2024.

The relocation will be until the end of construction after the new tracks are laid and the L Taraval rail service is reactivated.

Construction is scheduled to take place from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Extreme weather conditions may impact the construction schedule.

For additional project details, visit [SFMTA.com/LTaraval Project](https://www.sfmta.com/LTaravalProject). For project updates of work from Monday, May 8 through Saturday, May 20, visit [Project Update](#).

ONGOING

ONGOING: Muni's Service Network

For details on Muni's current routes and service, visit individual route webpages or the [Muni Routes and Stops](#) webpage.

Until further notice, Muni buses will continue to serve the L Taraval Metro line between San Francisco Zoo and West Portal Station. Transfer to Muni Metro for service downtown. Additionally, Special L Taraval bus shuttle service is now running between San Francisco Zoo and Embarcadero, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., every 50 minutes.

ONGOING: Northeast Van Ness Station Entrance Closure

Since Saturday, April 1, due to installation of the roll-up gate, the entrance located at the northeast corner of Market Street and Van Ness Avenue (next to the construction site) is closed for approximately three months.

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ONGOING: Northeast Van Ness Station Entrance Closure *continued*

To access Van Ness Station, customers can use the other three entrances on Market Street and Van Ness Avenue located at the:

- Southeast corner
- Southwest corner
- Northwest corner

For more information, visit [SFMTA.com/VNentranceClosure](https://www.sfmta.com/VNentranceClosure).

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 19th Avenue between Holloway Avenue and Lincoln Way.

Construction work for the first and second segment of this project along 19th Avenue between Lincoln Way and Taraval streets was completed. Construction work for bulbouts in the third and fourth segment along 19th Avenue between Taraval Street and Holloway Avenue is ongoing. As part of the [19th Avenue Combined City Project](#), the SFMTA will implement transit priority and safety improvements for people walking along 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 19th 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 [sfmta.com/28Rapid](https://www.sfmta.com/28Rapid). For overall project information, visit [sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue](https://www.sfpublishworks.org/19th-Avenue).

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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.

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>.

ONGOING: Shared Spaces Program

The city's multi-agency [Shared Spaces](#) 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 about the new legislated program requirements, permit fees and training opportunities, visit [Shared Space/San Francisco\(sf.gov\)](#).

For details, locations and updates on street closures related to Shared Spaces, visit [SFMTA.com/SharedSpaces](https://www.sfmta.com/SharedSpaces).

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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 www.sfmta.com. 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 www.sfmta.com 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 / การช่วยเหลือทางด้านภาษาโดยไม่เสียค่าใช้จ่าย / خط المساعدة المجاني على الرقم