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**\*\*PRESS RELEASE\*\***

**Ride Muni Free New Year's Eve**

*15 Year Tradition Encourages Responsible Celebration*

**San Francisco**--For the 15<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) will offer free rides on New Year's Eve from 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 31 through 5 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 1.

"We wish all San Francisco residents and visitors a happy and safe New Year. And to kick it off right, Muni is offering an opportunity to take Muni safely around the city and back home for free on New Year's Eve," said Tom Nolan, SFMTA Chairman of the Board.

This year's Ride Muni Free New Year's Eve is co-sponsored by 76 and Comcast Spotlight.

"76 is happy to continue our support of the Ride Muni Free New Year's Eve program. As a brand that puts our focus on being on the driver's side, we know there are times when being a passenger is best. We wish San Francisco visitors and residents a safe and joyous holiday season," said Sarah Bolding, 76 Brand Director.

"We are so happy to be a part of such a wonderful program on New Year's Eve. It is a great opportunity for everyone to celebrate responsibly and let Muni take you wherever you want to go to ring in a joyful 2015!" said Ingrid Nelson, Regional Vice President of Comcast Spotlight.

Ride Muni Free New Year's Eve includes all Muni routes and lines—including cable cars and all information is posted on [www.sfmta.com/nye](http://www.sfmta.com/nye). Clipper Card customers should NOT tap their cards to make sure they don't get charged. Fare gates will be set for fare-free that night.

**New Year's Eve Muni Service:**

- Complimentary Muni service from 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 31 to 5 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 1.
- Extra Owl service (1 a.m. to 5 a.m.): 5 Fulton, 14 Mission, 22 Fillmore, 24 Divisadero, 38 Geary, 90 and 91 Owl and the L and N Owl bus routes.
- Service on the F Market historic streetcar line is provided by buses after approximately 4 p.m.

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- Service on cable cars will be provided by buses after approximately 8 p.m.
- Extra 1 California service will operate between Presidio Ave and Drum Street from 7 p.m. until 3 a.m.
- Late night transit services will also be available from our regional transit partners: AC Transit, BART, and SamTrans.

At midnight on New Year's Eve, there will be a city-sponsored fireworks show from a barge off of The Embarcadero, south of the Ferry Building. 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](http://www.sfmta.com).

**BART** will provide additional service until approximately 3 a.m., Jan. 1. After 8 p.m. BART service to and from the East Bay will be separated between Embarcadero and Montgomery stations. Pittsburg/Bay Point and Richmond trains will depart from Montgomery Station only. Dublin/Pleasanton and Fremont trains will depart from Embarcadero Station only. Daly City and Millbrae trains will depart from Montgomery Station. Passengers going to SFO Airport from Embarcadero Station will need to transfer to an airport train at Balboa Park. SFO passengers may also enter BART at Montgomery Station for a direct SFO Airport train. After midnight trains departing Embarcadero will skip West Oakland. For more details, please visit [www.bart.gov](http://www.bart.gov).

**Caltrain** will run four post-midnight trains, departing San Francisco at 12:45 a.m., 1:15 a.m., 1:45 a.m. and 2:15 a.m., or when full. Caltrain service will be free after 8 p.m. on New Year's Eve and continue until the last special service reaches San Jose. For more details, please visit [www.caltrain.com](http://www.caltrain.com). **SamTrans** will run its regular non-school day service on New Year's Eve and will offer free rides beginning at 8 p.m. on Dec. 31 until 5 a.m. on Jan. 1. For more details, please visit <http://www.samtrans.com>.

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*Established by voter proposition in 1999, the SFMTA, a department of the City and County of San Francisco, oversees the Municipal Railway (Muni), parking and traffic, bicycling, walking and taxis. With five modes of transit, Muni has approximately 700,000 passenger boardings each day. Over 1 million people get around this city each day and rely on the SFMTA to ensure safe and reliable travel by transit, walking, bicycling, taxi and driving.*

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