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****PRESS RELEASE****

**SFMTA Weekend Transit and Traffic Advisory for
Saturday, October 17, 2020**

San Francisco—The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) releases the following upcoming event-related traffic and transit impacts for this weekend, from **Friday, Oct. 16 through Tuesday, Oct. 20.**

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.

19th Avenue Stop Changes

Starting Saturday, Oct. 17, as a part of the 19th Avenue Combined City Project, **the SFMTA will remove eight closely spaced stops on 19th Avenue between Irving Street and Ocean Avenue** to improve transit reliability.

As part of Muni Forward, the SFMTA will implement transit priority and pedestrian safety improvements along 19th Avenue that will make it safer to walk, increase the reliability of transit service, and enhance the customer experience—on and off the bus. This project includes sidewalk widening at bus stops (“transit bulbs”) as well as optimizing and consolidating bus stops to make stop spacing more even, which will help make Muni service more reliable. The project will also widen the sidewalk at corners (a treatment known as “pedestrian bulbs”) along 19th Avenue to support pedestrian safety.

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19th Avenue Stop Changes *continued*

With these stops removal, the following Muni routes will be affected: **1) 28 19th Avenue; and 2) 91 3rd Street/19th Avenue Owl.**

For more information on these bus stop changes, visit www.sfmta.com/19th Avenue Rapid Project.

Filming Activities at Ghirardelli Square

Sunday, Oct. 18 through Thursday, Oct. 22: There will be filming activities taking place in the vicinity of Ghirardelli Square.

For all hours of Muni service throughout these events, the **terminal for the 19 Polk route** will be provided at **Van Ness between Bay and North Point street by Galileo HS** (same terminal for the 28 19th Avenue).

Special Event at St. Ignatius Church

On Monday, Oct. 19, an event at St. Ignatius Church on Parker Avenue will require the following street closures from 2 to 9 p.m.:

- Fulton Street between Stanyan Street and Masonic Avenue
- Parker Avenue between Golden Gate Avenue and Fulton Street

The **5 Fulton Muni route** (inbound and outbound) will be rerouted around the closure.

Special Event at Oracle Park

On Tuesday, Oct. 20, an event at the ballpark will require a street closure of King Street between 2nd and 3rd streets from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The following Muni service will be impacted: **1) N Judah Bus (Ocean Beach to 4th and King streets); and 2) T Third Bus (Sunnydale to Castro).**

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: L Taraval Improvement Project

Starting at 10 p.m. on Sunday Oct. 18 through 6 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 19, nighttime work is scheduled for the removal of the overhead contact system (OCS) wires at the intersection of 46th Avenue and Taraval Street. Some parking spaces will be temporarily restricted in the construction zones and traffic lanes will be modified during active work.

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://www.sfmta.com/LTaravalProject).

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project

From Monday, Oct. 19 to Friday Oct. 23, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m., crews are scheduled to work on traffic improvements, sewer work, overhead power installations, light pole setting, and accessory related installations at the following locations:

- Van Ness between Lombard and Greenwich streets
- Van Ness between Greenwich and Filbert streets
- Van Ness between Filbert and Union streets
- Van Ness between Union and Green streets
- Van Ness between Green and Vallejo streets
- Van Ness between Vallejo Street and Broadway
- Van Ness between Jackson and Washington streets
- Van Ness between Washington and Clay streets
- Van Ness between Golden Gate Avenue and McAllister Street
- Van Ness between McAllister and Grove streets
- Van Ness between Grove and Hayes streets
- Van Ness between Hayes and Fell streets
- Van Ness between Fell and Market streets

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CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES *continued*

UPDATE: Van Ness Improvement Project *continued*

On Friday, October 23, 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 accessory related installations at the following locations:

- Van Ness between Broadway and Pacific Avenue
- Van Ness between Pacific Avenue and Jackson Street
- Van Ness between Clay and Sacramento streets
- Van Ness between Sacramento and California streets
- Van Ness between California and Pine streets
- Van Ness between Pine and Bush streets
- Van Ness between Bush and Sutter streets
- Van Ness between Sutter and Post streets
- Van Ness between Post and Geary streets
- Van Ness between Geary and O'Farrell streets
- Van Ness between O'Farrell and Ellis streets
- Van Ness between Ellis and Eddy streets
- Van Ness between Eddy and Turk streets
- Van Ness between Turk Street and Golden Gate Avenue

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](https://www.sfmta.com/VanNess).

ONGOING

ONGOING: Muni Service During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order

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.

To learn more information about bus substitution for Muni rail lines and recent service changes, visit [Muni's Bus Substitution for All Rail Lines](#).

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ONGOING *continued*

ONGOING: Muni Service During the COVID-19 Shelter-In-Place Order *continued*

Some Muni routes have been modified under the current health order. For details of Muni's individual lines/routes, visit each route's webpage or the [Muni Core Service Plan](#).

- **Core Routes in Service: J Church Bus (Balboa Park to Church and 14th 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); 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.**

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 and physical distancing. The program allows the use of 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. 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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ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program

The SFMTA's temporary special program, [Essential Trip Card](#) (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. 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.sfmta.com/shop-round>.

ONGOING: SFMTA's Customer Service Center Resumed Service and Operation Hours

Since Monday, Aug. 24, the SFMTA'S Customer Service Center (CSC) re-opened and began providing including: **1)** Sales of Residential Parking Permit; **2)** Community Service Enrollment; **3)** Payment Plan Enrollment; and **4)** Lifeline Program Enrollment. **Sales of life-line monthly passes will not be available.** Operating hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The SFMTA service kiosk at 170 Otis Street is open for business. Operation hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. This location only provides sales service of LifeLine stickers during the last 10 and first 15 days of the month.

The following SFMTA service kiosks are open for business. Operation hours are from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., seven days a week, except holidays.

- Powell and Market Service Kiosk
- Bay and Taylor Service Kiosk
- Presidio Service Kiosk at Geary Boulevard

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ONGOING: SFMTA's Customer Service Center Resumed Service and Operation Hours
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The following SFMTA services are available at all three locations:

- Payment for Parking and Transit citations (citation number or license plate required)
- Purchase of Parking Meter Card and School Coupon Booklets
- Retrieve and drop off completed paper applications for Community Service; Payment Plan; and Lifeline.
- Purchase of LifeLine stickers during the last 10 and first 15 days of the month.

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

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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.

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