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****PRESS RELEASE****

SFMTA Transit and Traffic Advisory for Thursday, August 24 through Wednesday, August 30, 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, Aug. 24 through Wednesday, Aug. 30, 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.

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Masks Recommended

Following the latest guidance from the [California Department of Public Health](https://www.cdph.ca) (CDPH), San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH) 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.

Events at Chase Center

Thursday, Aug. 24 to Monday, Aug. 28: There will be multiple shows to take place at Chase Center:

- **Thursday, Aug. 24:** [Day 2](#) of circus show by Cirque Du Soleil: CORTEO with the [Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group](#) will begin at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.
- **Friday, Aug. 25:** [Day 3](#) of circus show by Cirque Du Soleil: CORTEO with the [Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group](#) will begin at 7:30 p.m. Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

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Events at Chase Center *continued*

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- **Saturday, Aug. 26:** There will be **three shows on Day 4** by Cirque Du Soleil: CORTEO with the [Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group](#): **1) 1st show** will begin at 11:30 a.m. with doors open at 10:30 a.m.; **2) 2nd show** will begin at 3:30 p.m. with doors open at 2:30 p.m.; and **3) 3rd show** will begin at 7:30 p.m. with doors open at 6:30 p.m.;
- **Sunday, Aug. 27:** There will be **two shows on Day 5** by Cirque Du Soleil: CORTEO with the [Cirque du Soleil Entertainment Group](#): **1) 1st show** will begin at 1 p.m. with doors open at noon; **2) 2nd and last show** will begin at 5 p.m. with doors open at 4 p.m.
- **Monday, Aug. 28:** Performance of "GLORIA The Tour" lead by Sam Smith will begin at 8 p.m. with doors open at 7 p.m.

Supplemental Muni Service

- Muni will operate supplemental **78X Arena Express** service:
- **Pre-event express shuttle service** from 16th Street BART Station to Chase Center 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 Chase Center on 16th Street to 16th 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 \$10 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:

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

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Events 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:

- 16th Street between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Warriors Way between 3rd Street and Terry Francois Boulevard
- Between the 500 and 700 blocks of Terry Francois Boulevard (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 at Bridgeview Way.

Additional Passenger Loading

- 4th Street which connects to Chase Center via Gene Friend Way pedestrian path which cuts through UCSF campus.
- Owens Street connects to Chase Center via Gene Friend Way pedestrian path which cuts through UCSF campus.

For details about transportation to the Chase Center, including Muni service and connections from the Bay Area transit system to Muni, visit [SFMTA.com/ChaseCenter](https://www.sfmta.com/ChaseCenter).

San Francisco Giants Baseball Game

Friday, Aug. 25 to Wednesday, Aug. 30: The San Francisco Giants will play six home games at the ballpark. Listed below are start times for these games and SF Giants to play:

- **Three games against the Atlanta Braves: 1)** 7:15 p.m., Friday, Aug. 25; **2)** 1:05 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 26; and **3)** 4:10 p.m., Sunday, Aug. 27.
- **Three games against the Cincinnati Reds: 1)** 6:45 p.m., Monday, Aug. 28; **2)** 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 29; and **3)** 12:45 p.m., Wednesday, Aug. 30.

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 \$10 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.

CONSTRUCTION WORK AND OTHER UPDATES

UPDATE: Muni's Service Network

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

Since Saturday, Aug. 19, the SFMTA added Muni service to ease crowding and help students get to school. This includes bringing back the **28R 19th Avenue Rapid** and bus stop changes to the **29 Sunset** to improve travel times.

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UPDATE: Muni's Service Network *continued*

.....SFMTA added Muni service *continued*

- As part of the [29 Sunset Improvement Project](#), 11 stops will be removed in each direction on the 29 Sunset to improve reliability and make the 29 quicker. The 29 Sunset's northern terminal will also change from Baker Beach to 25th Avenue and California Street after 10 p.m. Though some customers may need to start using a different stop, the route will be faster, more reliable and less crowded. The new night-time terminal will affect the following stops: [Bowley Street at Lincoln Boulevard](#), [Bowley Street at Gibson Road](#), [Lincoln Boulevard at Bowley Street](#) and [25th Avenue at El Camino Del Mar](#). Riders boarding at these stops and traveling south will need to wait for the operator's layover at California Street.
- With the return of the 28R 19th Avenue Rapid, the [28 19th Avenue](#) will see a decrease in weekday frequency from every 10 minutes during morning and evening peaks to 12 minutes all day. However, combined weekday frequency with the 28R 19th Avenue Rapid will be every six minutes on shared stops along the corridor.
- To address crowding on the [14R Mission Rapid](#) during the early morning and afternoon school hours, more frequent morning service will start at 6 a.m. and service for students departing schools will ramp up around 2 p.m.
- The [31 Balboa](#) will extend to Townsend and 4th (Caltrain) serving eight (8) new stops on weekdays only.
- The [38 Geary](#) service to Geary and 32nd Avenue will increase from 9 to 11 p.m. on weekends to address evening crowding. The frequency 6 to 8 a.m. on weekends will decrease from 10 minutes to 20 minutes.
- The southern terminal for the [19 Polk](#) in the Hunters Point Shipyard will change to [Donahue & Innes](#), from Galvez Avenue at Hill Drive. All current stops on the line will continue to be served. The terminal has been moved to a location with better lighting to prioritize operator and passenger safety.
- The [30 Stockton](#) will terminate at [Sports Basement \(Crissy Field\)](#) until 8 p.m. The northern terminal after 8 p.m. will be on [Divisadero at Chestnut](#).
- Inbound (16448) and outbound (16449) Inbound stops on [Sloat at 43rd Avenue](#) served by the [18 46th Avenue](#) and [23 Monterey](#) will be discontinued as part of the [Sloat Quick Build Project](#).
- The [6 Parnassus](#) and [43 Masonic](#) inbound stop at [Parnassus at Hillway](#) (15892) will go out of service due to long-term construction.
- The [28 19th Avenue](#), [30 Stockton](#) and [91 3rd Street-19th Avenue Owl](#) eastbound stop at [North Point and Larkin](#) (15465) will be removed due to long-term construction.

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UPDATE: Muni's Service Network *continued*

.....SFMTA added Muni service *continued*

- The [48 Quintara-24th Street](#) pilot reroute and eastern terminal change to 22nd at Iowa will be made permanent and will also apply to the 48 Owl. One weekday bus will be added to the 48 Quintara-24th Street to address crowding.
- To improve reliability without sacrificing frequency on the [57 Parkmerced](#), we are adding a bus on weekdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. This will allow the line to continue providing service every 20 minutes while contending with severe traffic congestion along the route. Weekend frequencies will change to 25 minutes from 20 minutes to account for more running time due to congestion.
- The [55 Dogpatch](#) will decrease in frequency from 15 minutes to 20 minutes to account for additional running time due to congestion and construction on 16th Street.

For additional service details and impacted routes, visit [latest service changes blog](#).

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.

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

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.

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. Customers can transfer to a train at West Portal Station to travel downtown.

To facilitate the project during track in each section (except at 15th Avenue), there are temporary bus stop changes:

- The inbound bus stop at Taraval Street and 15th Avenue has been relocated across the intersection until fall 2024.
- The 66 Quintara route is being rerouted from 30th Avenue to 28th Avenue around construction until Friday, Aug. 18. Customers can use alternate stops at 28th Avenue/Santiago Street and 28th Avenue/Taraval Street.
- The 30th Avenue inbound and outbound L Bus stops will be temporarily discontinued until Friday, Aug. 18. Customers can use alternate stops at 28th and 32nd avenues on Taraval Street.
- The 19th Avenue outbound L Bus stop will be temporarily relocated from the northeast corner to the northwest corner until Friday, Sept. 15.
- The 17th Avenue inbound L Bus stop will be temporarily discontinued until Friday, Sept. 15. Customers can use alternate stops at 15th and 19th avenues on Taraval Street

The tracks along Taraval Street have been prepped for foundation pours and installation of new rail. Since last month, crews have been working on pouring concrete slabs, block by block started from 28th to 29th avenues, then from 29th to 30th avenues, and then from 30th to 31st avenues.

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

Track work between 16th and 19th avenues has begun and the middle of Taraval Street is closed to vehicular traffic traveling north and south bound across Taraval Street for excavation work. East and West bound lanes will remain open. Only right turn will be allowed when traffic approaching Taraval Street from between 17th and 18th avenues. Crews are performing track replacement on the L Taraval line, starting with pulling and now placing and setting rails.

During construction, the following impacts to travel in the track areas are in effect:

- **No parking along the construction areas** will be allowed.
- **By car:** Taraval Street will be open to through traffic traveling east- and westbound, however, vehicles approaching from 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 29th, 30th and 31st avenues will only be able to access Taraval Street by making right turns. At times, traffic may be stopped briefly to allow large machinery to perform work. Please allow extra travel time.
- **By bus:** The L Bus may be rerouted around the construction area when heavy equipment is present.
- **On foot:** Pedestrians will be able to cross Taraval Street in the construction area at 30th Avenue via a pedestrian access during non-construction hours and weekends.

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, Aug. 14 through Saturday, Aug. 26, visit [Project Update](#).

ONGOING

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.

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).

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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. For overall project information, visit sfpublicworks.org/19th-Avenue.

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.

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ONGOING: Essential Trip Card Discount Program *continued*

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.

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