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FREE RIDES FOR COVID-19 VACCINATION APPOINTMENTS

Anyone age 16 and over is now, or soon will be, eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. To make this process even easier, Yuba-Sutter Transit in cooperation with the Yuba and Sutter County Public Health Departments is offering fare free service to anyone traveling to or from their scheduled COVID-19 vaccination appointment. This offer is good on all services operated by Yuba-Sutter Transit, including Dial-A-Ride. All service eligibility and policy requirements still apply.

To ride free of charge, passengers must present valid confirmation of their appointment that day at any COVID-19 vaccination site in Yuba or Sutter Counties when boarding the bus. Confirmation may be in the form of an appointment card, email, or text with the passenger's name and appointment information (date, time, and location). The driver will acknowledge that the confirmation meets the requirement, and that the passenger may continue boarding.

Anyone traveling with a passenger that has a scheduled appointment must provide their own appointment confirmation to qualify for a free fare. This offer is good through Wednesday, June 30, 2021, but the program will be re-evaluated at that time to determine if there is still a need for it to continue.

For more information on this exciting new program or for service, route, and schedule information, please visit www.yubasuttertransit.com or call (530) 742-2877.

SCHEDULE YOUR VACCINE APPOINTMENT TODAY

For Yuba County residents, please visit https://www.yuba.org/vaccines or call (530) 634-7497 for vaccine information. For Sutter County, visit https://www.suttercounty.org/doc/coronavirus/coronavirusVaccine or call (530) 822-5934.



REGULAR COMMUTERS SAVE BIG BUCKS WHEN RIDING THE BUS

Are you trying to conserve money to make it through the pandemic or maybe just saving up to treat the family to a special trip when this is all over? One easy way to pile up cash in a hurry is to ride the bus more often! While riding any of our buses will save you money, it really adds up for those who regularly commute to downtown Sacramento.

Using conservative local factors in the Fuel Savings Calculator that can be found at www.publictransportation.org, a typical daily Yuba-Sutter Transit commuter to downtown Sacramento saves about \$3,800 a year and this figure would increase to over \$9,300 if they could somehow get by with one less vehicle as a result. How else can you add that kind of money to your budget – tax free, no less?

This example assumes weekday ridership on our Sacramento service using a monthly pass compared to the cost of operating a mid-size car on a 42-mile one-way trip between Marysville/Yuba City and downtown Sacramento. This calculation also assumes an average fuel price of \$3.75 per gallon, vehicle efficiency of 25 MPG and parking costs of \$150 per month. Your figures will vary so enter your own estimates for each factor in the calculator to see just how much you can save!

Even if you do not ride every day, you can still save a bundle riding just once or twice a week since just the cost of daily parking in downtown Sacramento probably exceeds the roundtrip cash fare on our luxury commuter buses. Combine that with the fuel savings; reduced wear and tear on both you and your car; and any transit subsidy that you may get from your employer and you will quickly see how you can save big – really big – by riding the bus and the more you ride, the more you save!

For route and schedule information, visit <u>www.yubasuttertransit.com</u> or call (530) 742-2877.



DEEPLY DISCOUNTED MONTHLY PASSES AVAILABLE FOR ALL LOCAL & RURAL ROUTE PASSENGERS

Since July 2020, basic general-public monthly bus passes for use on Yuba-Sutter Transit's local and rural routes have been discounted from their regular price of \$30 to just \$10 each month. The \$20 subsidy on the cost of each pass is being funded through the State Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) under a three-year demonstration program. These monthly passes are also valid on Yuba-Sutter Transit's three rural routes.

Because of this program, full fare general-public monthly bus passes are now more equitably priced with the discount monthly pass for youth (ages 5 through 18), seniors (ages 65 and over) and eligible persons with disabilities. Under that program, the regularly priced \$15 discount passes are available for just \$5 for unlimited use each month on any of Yuba-Sutter Transit's local or rural fixed route service. The \$10 subsidy for the discount program has long been funded by the Feather River Air Quality Management District (FRAQMD) whose support will continue at least through March 2022.

At these deeply discounted prices, the best value by far for most passengers is to purchase a full fare or discount monthly pass as applicable. No matter the fare category, a monthly pass will more than pay for itself in just a few days of travel compared to paying in cash.

Monthly passes are available only with a Connect Card electronic fare card. General public Connect Cards are available free of charge from any Connect Card sales outlet or at www.ConnectTransitCard.com. Discount photo I.D. Connect Cards for any available discount fares or passes for seniors, youth or persons with disabilities are only available with eligibility verification at the Yuba-Sutter Transit Administrative Office in Marysville.

Up to three monthly passes can be loaded at any one time on a Connect Card along with up to \$360 in cash value if so desired. You can even set up your Connect Card account to auto-load your monthly pass or cash value each month.

For more information on the discounted bus pass program or on how to get your discount photo Connect Card identification card, which is required for all discount pass fare categories, please contact the Administrative Office by email at info@yubasuttertransit.com or by phone at (530) 634-6880.

DEBIT & CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED

Debit and most major credit cards are accepted by Yuba-Sutter Transit for all financial transactions at the counter in our Administrative Office.

Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.



DIAL-A-RIDE "NO SHOWS" COST EVERYONE

Dozens of times a month, a Dial-A-Ride bus arrives at an address to pick someone up and, for whatever reason, they are not there. Drivers and passengers all know that the next message from dispatch will be to "mark them a no-show and proceed!" The bus then pulls away with nothing to show for the effort except lost time and productivity.

Every "No Show" wastes time and resources resulting in less actual service being provided. Please be courteous and call to cancel unwanted reservations even if the bus is just moments away from arrival. If more did so it would free up service for others – including you. **Don't be a "No Show"!**



CONNECT CARD SALES OUTLETS

Connect Cards can be loaded on-line on the Connect Card website or at the following local sales outlets. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, both the Sutter and Yuba County Libraries remain closed to the public. Check with each location for current business hours as they may change without notice. Cards can hold up to \$360 in cash value and/or up to three months of passes.

- Yuba College Bookstore Linda (530) 741-6998
 CURRENTLY OPEN WEEKDAYS FROM 10:00 AM 2:00 PM [Cash, Check, Credit or Debit]
- Yuba-Sutter Transit Office Marysville (530) 634-6880
 [Cash, Check, Credit or Debit]
- Connect Card Website www.ConnectTransitCard.com [Credit or Debit / Auto-Load]

New full fare Connect Cards are available from any sales outlet, but new and replacement discount photo ID Connect Cards are only available during normal weekday business hours at the Yuba-Sutter Transit office in Marysville.

Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.

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