

South Central Regional Transit District Stands Committed to Continue Its Essential Service

We understand that you rely on the Transit District for your essential travel. That is why we have continued to operate service during the COVID 19 pandemic to get you to the grocery store, to the pharmacy or to your doctor's appointments. We are committed to continue to provide the safest way to travel to and within Dona Ana County, including Garfield and Hatch to Las Cruces, and Las Cruces to Anthony, Chaparral, Santa Teresa and Sunland Park and connecting service to El Paso, Texas.

We are coordinating our response to the pandemic with the Local Emergency Center and the guidance provided by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). We are prioritizing your safety while you ride, because your safety remains the Transit District's top priority, by taking these measures:

- Posting CDC recommendations on all buses
- Deep cleaning all buses with EPA-registered disinfectants including fogging buses at night
- Blocking the first row of seats on every bus to provide more distance between riders and drivers
- Installing protective driver shields to keep our drivers safe and providing all our personnel with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Eliminating fares to minimize contact between riders

Service levels have been reduced by 20% percent due to school and business closings, however the Transit District will continue to strategically adjust its service to meet demand to ensure no buses are overcrowded while guaranteeing you an appropriate level of service that will meet your essential needs.

The Transit District has initiated its 'Extra Mile Bonus' of \$100 each month to all our bus drivers, transportation and maintenance workers who continue to inspire us with their dedication during this challenging time. Please take every opportunity you have to say 'Thank You' to your driver as he or she continues to stay true to the Transit District's commitment to service.

The Transit District will continue to operate service as we protect the health and safety of our riders and our employees. We are committed to return our service back to normal levels once conditions allow. Until then we thank our riders, our employees, and the public for their continued support.

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