



SCRTD Earth Day 2026 Message

From Executive Director David Armijo



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Team,

As we recognize Earth Day 2026, I want to take a moment to reflect on the extraordinary work you do each day to serve our communities and advance sustainable transportation across southern New Mexico and the greater El Paso region.

This year's message is a reminder of the impact we make every single day. From Elephant Butte on the Blue Route, through Las Cruces on the Green and Red Routes, to Anthony via the Purple Route and Sunland Park, with connections on the Silver Route to the Westside Transfer Station and the Yellow Route into Downtown El Paso—our system spans nearly 198 square miles of service.

Last month, we carried over 18,000 riders—a record for the district and a clear demonstration of the trust our communities place in SCRTD.

Our organization continues to grow in meaningful ways. Our fleet has expanded, and our workforce now exceeds 50 employees, each playing a critical role in delivering safe, reliable, and efficient service.

At the same time, we are leading the way in sustainability and innovation. Our investment in a state-of-the-art microgrid and solar array will generate daily energy savings and strengthen the long-term resilience of our system. Combined with the 12 electric buses and EVs now in daily operation, SCRTD is helping lead New Mexico toward a cleaner transportation future.

SCRTD is not only delivering transit service—we are setting the standard for what a forward-looking, community-centered transit district can achieve.

This Earth Day is an opportunity to recognize how far we have come—and to look ahead with confidence. The work you do matters. It improves quality of life, supports economic mobility, and contributes directly to a cleaner, more sustainable future for our region.

Thank you for your dedication, your professionalism, and your commitment to our mission.

The best is yet to come.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "DAVID ARMIO".

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