

Metro News

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Dear Customer,

We're rolling again! Welcome back to Metro, we missed you.

A new agreement has been reached with our mechanics' union, allowing us to restore transit service to LA County.

The 35-day strike impacted all of LA County, but especially you. We sincerely regret any hardships the strike caused.

Roger Snoble,
Metro CEO

Winning back your confidence is our top priority.

The MTA Board joins me in pledging that we will do everything possible to discourage any future strikes. Metro is about getting you to where you need to go and we want to provide this service without fail.

Secondly, we will continue to make every effort to turn Metro into the best public transportation system possible. That is my commitment to you.

We've been making great strides in improving the service, from expanding Metro Rapid, to implementing our community-based Service Sectors, to the new Metro Gold Line.

We look forward to continuing these improvements and finding better ways to serve you every day.

We're glad to be back! [MN](#)



While in Los Angeles, Santa Claus is expected to give his reindeer a rest and deliver his presents using Metro, free, Christmas Eve; New Year's Eve also is free.

Free Bus, Train Rides Offered Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve

Come on and use Metro Rail and Metro Bus for free on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. It's Metro's safe alternative to driving to and from family get-togethers and celebrations and avoiding traffic congestion.

Free rides on the Metro system begin at 9 pm and end at 2 am for Metro Rail and at 5 am for Metro Bus.

"After years of being urged by air traffic controllers, Rudolph, the elves and especially Mrs. Claus, I have decided to be smart and take Metro," said the cheery Claus. "There will be many more ho ho ho's this year for those Angelenos who have been good because I'll feel safe, secure and rested." [MN](#)

Metro Gold Line Goes To Rose Parade

Taking the Metro Gold Line to Pasadena's Tournament of Roses Parade on January 1 is a golden opportunity for fans of the extravaganza to enjoy the event, minus worries about traffic congestion and parking.

Metro Rail service will be available for 24 straight hours starting on New Year's Eve and lasting through New Year's Day. Metro Gold Line trains will arrive every eight minutes beginning at 5 am New Year's Day morning.

Four Metro Gold Line stations are within walking distance of the parade route: Del Mar (5-8 minutes), Memorial Park

LAX Shuttle Serves Metro Rail Passengers

Riding Metro Rail to Aviation Station and hopping on a free shuttle for a quick trip to LAX is an excellent way to avoid holiday airport traffic.

The LAX Shuttle takes about 10 minutes to reach the airport and stops at all terminals.

All luggage and gifts brought on the shuttle must be carried by passengers. [MN](#)

Crenshaw Boulevard Metro Rapid To Debut

Fast Metro Rapid buses are arriving on Crenshaw Boulevard on February 2.

Metro's seventh Metro Rapid line will save customers approximately 25% in time versus standard service.

Metro Rapid time savings result from a bus signal priority system which switches red lights to green a little sooner or maintains green long enough for buses to proceed through intersections, quick boardings and exits provided by low floor buses, and less frequent stops than local and limited service lines.

The 19-mile Line 710 will run between the South Bay Galleria and the Hollywood/Vine Metro Rail Station Mondays through Fridays. The line also will stop at the Crenshaw Boulevard Metro Green Line Station. [MN](#)

(4-6 minutes), Lake and Allen (12-15 minutes). A limited number of parking spaces is available at or near some of the 13 stations.

Following the parade, shuttle service will be offered from the Sierra Madre Villa Station to the float viewing area at Victory Park between 1 pm and 5 pm and between 7 am and 5 pm on January 2-3.

For additional information about the parade, call the Pasadena Convention & Visitors Bureau at 626.793.9911. [MN](#)



The cash price for a one-way ticket on the Metro System will be reduced by 10 cents beginning January 1.

New Fare Price Effective January 1

On January 1, Metro Bus and Metro Rail fares will change for the first time in years.

The cash fare is lower by 10 cents to \$1.25. A day pass is replacing transfers. Customers will find that the new day pass at \$3 – good for unlimited local travel all day – is convenient.

The price of tokens and regular monthly, semimonthly and weekly passes will increase. (Refer to chart below.)

	Former Fare	New Fare
Base Fare	\$1.35	\$1.25
Metro-to-Metro transfers will be discontinued*		
New Day Pass	-	\$3
Tokens (10)	\$9	\$11
Weekly Pass	\$11	\$14
Semimonthly Pass	\$21	\$27
Monthly Pass	\$42	\$52

Senior/disabled/Medicare and student prices will remain the same. Senior/disabled/Medicare price for the new Day Pass is \$1.50.

*Metro-to-Muni transfers may be purchased to continue travel on municipal lines; \$.25 regular, \$.10 senior/disabled/Medicare; not valid on Metro Bus and Metro Rail.

Note: Riders may purchase an Interagency Transfer to the Metro System from a municipal carrier. [MN](#)



Fans of the Rose Parade can now get there by taking the Metro Gold Line.