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Metro to Offer Special Holiday Free Fares Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve on All Metro Buses and Metro Rail Lines

- Safe Alternative To Driving

Metro will offer a special Holiday Free Fare Program for all Metro Bus and Metro Rail lines operating on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

The free fare program, approved by Metro's Board of Directors, will be in effect between the hours of 9 p.m. and 2 a.m. only on the nights and early morning hours of December 24-25 and December 31-January 1.

Patrons boarding a Metro Bus, including the Metro Orange Line, or the Metro Red, Blue, Green or Gold rail lines during the hours designated will receive a free ride to their destination.

The free rides are being offered during this period to promote safety during the holiday season. Metro is an option for people attending holiday parties so they don't have to drive.

Metro's fleet of more than 2,200 buses, The Metro Orange Line, a dedicated bus transitway in the San Fernando Valley and four Metro Rail lines offer patrons alternatives to driving solo in their vehicles with convenient travel opportunities throughout the region.

The Metro Red Line operates from Union Station in downtown Los Angeles to Wilshire/Western and through Hollywood to North Hollywood in the San Fernando Valley. The Metro Blue Line operates from Long Beach to downtown Los Angeles, the Metro Green Line runs between Norwalk and El Segundo and the Metro Gold Line operates between Union Station and Pasadena.

For complete route and schedule information patrons can call 1-800-C-O-M-M-U-T-E or visit Metro's web site and access the Metro Trip Planner at www.metro.net.

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