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Transit TAP Cards Now Available at 35 LA County Library Locations

In partnership with the LA County Library, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) announced today that customers can now purchase and add bus and train fares to TAP fare cards at 35 county library locations.

There are now 415 regional locations where TAP cards can be purchased and reloaded. Metro plans to add this service to more county library locations in 2018. Overall, the agency is planning to increase its TAP vendor network over the next three years in an aggressive effort to better meet the needs of countywide transit customers.

The TAP card allows passengers to travel with regional and local transit passes on the 24 transit providers now accepting TAP cards in the county. TAP cards offer a secure way for passengers to electronically pay fares and travel by tapping the card each time a rider boards a bus or train. Benefits of TAP include faster boarding times and the ability to recover balances if a card is lost or stolen.

“Expanding public transportation means making Metro as convenient as possible for riders,” said Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Chair of the Metro Board. “This partnership with the LA County Library will put TAP cards right at our customers’ fingertips, and enhance the transit experience across the region.”

TAP vendor services will be available during each participating library’s regular hours. For a complete list of library locations offering TAP cards, the public can visit www.colapublib.org/tap or contact their local library.

“As part of the LA County Library’s strategic plan and mission to provide more access to public service and resources within our service areas, offering TAP cards at library locations helps eliminate barriers, such as limited access to transportation,” said Skye Patrick, the Director of the County of Los Angeles Public Library.

“This new agreement expands our TAP card network to 415 convenient locations throughout our county, with more planned in the future,” said Metro CEO Phillip A. Washington. “It’s a win-win solution that makes TAP cards more accessible in local communities while encouraging transit riders to utilize all the resources their local library has to offer.”

For a listing of all of the TAP vendor locations, purchase a new TAP card or reload an existing card, visit www.taptogo.net.

About LA County Library

Founded in 1912, L.A. County Library is one of the largest and most innovative library systems in the US. It offers free public resources including books, music, multimedia materials, computer and internet access, as well as educational and recreational programs to 3.4 million residents through its 87 community libraries. L.A. County Library is dedicated to providing exceptional services to its customers by reducing any potential barriers and increasing access and equality of public services for the diverse communities it serves. For more information, visit www.colapublib.org.

About Metro

Metro is a multimodal transportation agency that is really three companies in one: a major operator that transports about 1.4 million boarding passengers on an average weekday on a fleet of 2,200 clean air buses and six rail lines, a major construction agency that oversees many bus, rail, highway and other mobility related building projects, and the lead transportation planning and programming agency for Los Angeles County. Overseeing one of the largest public works programs in America, Metro is changing the urban landscape of the Los Angeles region. Dozens of transit, highway and other mobility projects largely funded by Measure R are under construction or in the planning stages. These include five new rail lines, enhanced bus operations, and numerous highway and local projects.

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