

# LA Metro To Provide Free Rides Systemwide On Earth Day, Monday, April 22

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The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) will provide free transportation on its Bus, Rail, Bike Share and Metro Micro on Earth Day (Monday, April 22) so everyone can travel by Metro to reduce vehicle emissions and help stem climate change.

"Every Day is Earth Day at L.A. Metro," said Metro CEO Stephanie Wiggins. "Transit is the cleanest way to travel, and by using our electric trains and low-emission buses, you can lower your carbon footprint by 45 percent compared to driving. This Earth Day, we encourage Angelenos to take a free ride on Metro, leave the car at home and enjoy everything L.A. County has to offer."

All Metro buses and trains will be free to the public beginning at 3 a.m. Monday April 22, until 2:59 a.m. Tuesday, April 23. Bus fareboxes will be deactivated, and all train station fare gates will be opened to enable passengers to easily use public transit for their transportation needs. New riders can plan their trips using Metro's Rider Apps webpage at [metro.net/riderapps](https://metro.net/riderapps), which has a number of trip planning and trip taking tools available.

Metro Bike Share is also offering free rides on Earth Day. All riders can redeem free 30-minute bike share rides by selecting '1-Ride' at any Metro Bike Share kiosk, online or in the Metro Bike Share app by entering the promo code 042224. A credit or debit card is required. The first 30 minutes of all rides are free. Rides longer than 30 minutes are just \$1.75 each additional half-hour. Electric Metro Bike unlocking fees are waived.

Metro Micro customers can redeem free rides on Metro's on-demand electric rideshare service, by using the Metro Micro app or browser and entering code EarthDay24. The promo code will be available during regular operating hours for Metro's Call Center (323-GoMetro or 323-466-3876). Call Center operating hours are from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. The code is only valid on Earth Day.

Metro has cut its greenhouse gas emissions by 63 percent since 2017 through fleet electrification and system retrofits. The G Line (Orange) runs on electric power and the J Line (Silver) is also converting to all-electric zero-emission buses. Metro Micro uses Ford Transit 350s converted to electric power and the Metro bus fleet consists of 2,200 CNG

powered buses. The entire 105-mile Metro Rail system operates on electric power.

For additional information about Metro's environmental policies and programs, please visit [Metro.net/sustainability](https://metro.net/sustainability).

For Earth Day 2024, Metro will distribute the first ever bamboo TAP card made to commemorate the agency's efforts toward a more sustainable public transit system. This limited-edition Bamboo TAP Card is crafted from 100 percent bamboo, a renewable resource that can be harvested sustainably. The bamboo TAP cards can be used for travel on Metro and 26 TAP agencies. They are built to last for 15 years and can be reloaded just like a regular TAP card.

On Earth Day, Metro's regional rail partner Metrolink, which provides heavy rail service to the broader Southern California region, will also offer free rides on all of its trains on April 22. No ticket will be required. For more information on Metrolink free rides, please visit [metrolinktrains.com/earthday](https://metrolinktrains.com/earthday).

### **About Metro**

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is building the most ambitious transportation infrastructure program in the United States and is working to greatly improve mobility through its Vision 2028 Plan. Metro is the lead transportation planning and funding agency for L.A. County and carries nearly 900,000 boardings daily on six electric rail lines and 117 bus routes utilizing more than 2,200 low-emission buses.

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