# Customer Readiness for Transfer on 2<sup>nd</sup> Boarding

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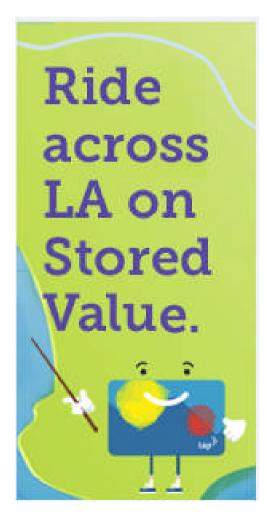
## New IAT Policy- Transfer on 2<sup>nd</sup> Boarding



- Regional interagency transfer policy (from one transit agency to another)
- Board approved June 2015
- Transfer period extended from 2 hours to 2.5 hours
- Transfers paid automatically with Stored Value on TAP
- Transfers on TAP- Eliminates paper transfers

#### **Customer Benefits**

- Automatic transfers
- No need for exact change
- Faster boardings
- Easy connectivity across LA County
- 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hour window for transfers



## **Regional Transit Agency Benefits**



- Accurate ridership data
- More customers on TAP riding with valid fare (Metro Gating)
- Improves customer convenience
- Increases fare product security
- Improves on time performance

## **Recommendations for Customer Prep**

Item	<b>Board Recommendation</b>	Benefit
1	Remove Day Pass sales on bus and add ability to purchase Stored Value on bus	<ul><li>Align operator efforts with fare sale trends</li><li>Increase Stored Value purchase touch points</li></ul>

## Recommendations for Customer Prep (cont'd)

Item	<b>Board Recommendation</b>	Benefit
2	Transition tokens to TAP	<ul> <li>-Replace obsolete tokens with TAP</li> <li>-Balance protection, automatic transfers, faster boardings, etc.</li> </ul>
3	Increase TAP card price from \$1 to \$2 on bus and at Metro TVMs	Consistent & equitable pricing for all customers

#### **Additional Customer Support**



- Distribute one million free TAP cards (Board approved)
- Provide assistance from Metro Blue Shirts & TAP partner agency volunteers
- Increase TAP vendor network
- Provide "train the trainer" operator demos
- Provide TAP Call Center training
- Implement regional system wide marketing

## **Next Steps**

- Request fare hearing date & approval of public notice- November 2017
- Release fare hearing notice (30 days)
- Conduct hearing & accept written comments
- Include feedback in final board report
- Board meeting- February 2018
- Begin implementation of approved items
- Implement Transfer on 2<sup>nd</sup> Boarding





Questions?