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# FESTIVAL TO CLOSE D STREET IN HISTORIC DOWNTOWN MARYSVILLE ON JULY 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

Another summer staple is BACK! After a one-year hiatus due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual Peach Festival in Historic Downtown Marysville returns on Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. This free event will be held from 4:00 to 10:00 p.m. on Friday and from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Saturday. D Street will be closed to vehicle traffic from 1st through 7<sup>th</sup> Streets on both days.

As a result, Yuba-Sutter Transit will suspend service to two downtown bus stops at D and  $2^{nd}$  and F &  $2^{nd}$  Streets on both festival days. Westbound Route 1 buses coming off the E Street Bridge from Linda will turn left at Third Street. Eastbound Route 1 buses on Third Street will turn right on F Street and use the Highway 70 on-ramp to Linda and Yuba College.

Route 4A buses traveling south on B Street will turn right on First Street before using the Highway 70 on-ramp to Linda and the Peach Tree Clinic. Route 4B buses traveling east on Third Street will turn right on F Street before using the Highway 70 on-ramp to Linda and the Peach Tree Clinic.

Route 4A buses traveling north on the E Street Bridge returning to Marysville from Linda will turn left on Third Street and continue west on the existing route to H Street. Route 4B buses traveling in the same direction will turn left on Third Street and left on F Street before rejoining the existing route on First Street.

Due to these stop closures, the nearest available bus stops to Historic Downtown Marysville on these two days will be at or near Adventist Health and Rideout Hospital on Third Street in both directions for Routes 1 and 4 and at B & Third Streets for Routes 4A and 4B.

Call (530) 742-2877 for detour information. For festival information, please check www.marysvillepeachfest.com.

## COVID-19 UPDATE ROUTE 1 EXPRESS SERVICE ENDS JUNE 30TH

Yuba-Sutter Transit has dropped all on-board passenger capacity limits in response to recent changes in state and local health directives. Signs blocking off certain seats have been removed and all seats are now available allowing for full capacity on all buses. As a result, it was recently announced that the Route 1 Express service would end on Wednesday, June 30th.

The Route 1 Express service was added in June 2020 to facilitate social distancing as on-board capacity limits had resulted in passengers being passed by especially on Yuba-Sutter Transit's cross-town Route 1. The limited stop express service greatly reduced the number of passengers being left behind at bus stops and made cross-town trips faster by serving only the major transfer points along the route. Without on-board capacity limits, the express service is no longer necessary, and the drivers can be better used elsewhere.

Ridership is tracked daily on all Yuba-Sutter Transit services and future changes to return services that were suspended last year will be considered as ridership grows. Suspended services include half-hour weekday service frequency on Route 2 and several morning and afternoon Sacramento Commuter schedules.

For more information, please call our Administrative Office at (530) 634-6880 or email us at info@yubasuttertransit.com.



#### INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY

In observance of Independence Day (which falls on a Sunday this year), please note that Yuba-Sutter Transit will not be in operation on Monday, July 5, 2020. All service will operate as scheduled on both Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. Wishing you and yours a safe, healthy, and fun-filled holiday!



### DEEPLY DISCOUNTED MONTHLY PASSES AVAILABLE FOR ALL LOCAL & RURAL ROUTE PASSENGERS

Since July 2020, basic general-public monthly bus passes for use on Yuba-Sutter Transit's local and rural routes have been discounted from their regular price of \$30 to just \$10 each month. The \$20 subsidy on the cost of each pass is being funded through the State Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) under a three-year demonstration program. These monthly passes are also valid on Yuba-Sutter Transit's three rural routes.

Because of this program, full fare general-public monthly bus passes are now more equitably priced with the discount monthly pass for youth (ages 5 through 18), seniors (ages 65 and over) and eligible persons with disabilities. Under that program, the regularly priced \$15 discount passes are available for just \$5 for unlimited use each month on any of Yuba-Sutter Transit's local or rural fixed route service. The \$10 subsidy for the discount program has long been funded by the Feather River Air Quality Management District (FRAQMD) whose support will continue at least through March 2022.

At these deeply discounted prices, the best value by far for most passengers is to purchase a full fare or discount monthly pass as applicable. No matter the fare category, a monthly pass will more than pay for itself in just a few days of travel compared to paying in cash.

Monthly passes are available only with a Connect Card electronic fare card. General public Connect Cards are available free of charge from any Connect Card sales outlet or at <a href="https://www.ConnectTransitCard.com">www.ConnectTransitCard.com</a>. Discount photo I.D. Connect Cards for any available discount fares or passes for seniors, youth or persons with disabilities are only available with eligibility verification at the Yuba-Sutter Transit Administrative Office in Marysville.

Up to three monthly passes can be loaded at any one time on a Connect Card along with up to \$360 in cash value if so desired. You can even set up your Connect Card account to auto-load your monthly pass or cash value each month.

For more information on the discounted bus pass program or on how to get your discount photo Connect Card identification card, which is required for all discount pass fare categories, please contact the Administrative Office by email at info@yubasuttertransit.com or by phone at (530) 634-6880.

### **DEBIT & CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED**

Debit and most major credit cards are accepted by Yuba-Sutter Transit for all financial transactions at the counter in our Administrative Office. Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.

### TRANSIT BOARD MEETINGS RETURN TO IN-PERSON ONLY IN JULY

Due to the pandemic, Yuba-Sutter Transit's Board meetings have been available on-line since April 2020. While in-person meetings resumed in May with an on-line option, meetings will now be held in-person only starting with the July 15<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Regular monthly meetings are held at 4:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month in the Board of Supervisors Chambers at the Yuba County Government Center located at 915 8th Street in Marysville. All meetings are open to the public and input is accepted on all agenda items. Agendas are posted on our website by the Friday before each meeting date. You can also register to have the agenda sent to you each month under the "Stay Informed" tab on the same website.

Call Janet Frye at (530) 634-6880 for more information.



#### **CONNECT CARD SALES OUTLETS**

Connect Cards can be loaded on-line or at any of the following local sales outlets or on the Connect Card website. Check with each location for current business hours as they may change without notice. The Sutter County Library remains closed to the public for a remodel.

- Yuba County Library Marysville (530) 749-7380
   [Cash, Credit or Debit Fee Applied for Credit/Debit]
- Yuba College Bookstore Linda (530) 741-6998
   Currently Open Monday Thursday from 10:00 AM 2:00 PM
   [Cash, Check, Credit or Debit]
- Yuba-Sutter Transit Administrative Office Marysville [Cash, Check, Credit or Debit]
- Connect Card Website www.ConnectTransitCard.com [Credit or Debit / Auto-Load]

New full fare Connect Cards are available from any sales outlet, but new and replacement discount photo ID Connect Cards are only available during normal weekday business hours at the Yuba-Sutter Transit office in Marysville. Cards can hold up to \$360 in cash value and/or passes for up to three months.

Call (530) 634-6880 for more information.

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