

YUBA-SUTTER TRANSIT
SUMMARY OF KEY SYSTEM EVENTS
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July 1, 1975	Effective date of the Hub Area Transit Authority joint powers agreement (JPA) and the "Our Car" subsidized taxi service for seniors and persons with disabilities
August 1979	Replacement of "Our Car" with a general public Dial-A-Ride service
September 1982	First urban fixed routes introduced
January 1988	Replacement of fixed route service with a general public "Zonal" Dial-A-Ride system which, when combined with other cuts, resulted in a 37 percent service reduction from FY 1986-87 to FY 1988-89 / Sutter County withdraws from the JPA
July 1990	Sacramento Commuter service begins on Highway 70 with two 15-passenger buses
January 1991	Sutter County rejoins the JPA
January 1993	Agency renamed as the Yuba-Sutter Transit Authority with the reintroduction of urban fixed route service and the restructuring of the Dial-A-Ride service
Aug./Sept. 1994	Expansion of the Sacramento Commuter service into the Highway 99 corridor and the start of a subsidized vanpool program which ended December 2000
November 1994	Weekday evening subsidized taxi service begins (ended June 1999)
March 1995	New clockwise Marysville route and all local fixed route and commuter buses equipped with bike racks (on all buses by June 1997)
May/June 1996	Occupied the remodeled former Seven-Up plant in Marysville as the operations, maintenance, and administration facility / First summer youth bus pass program.
August 1997	Opened the Bogue Road Park & Ride Lot (nearly doubled in sized in March 2012)
April 1998	Initiation of Downtown Trolley demonstration service (ended December 1998)
July/August 1998	Added bi-directional Route 4 service, Saturday fixed route service and an expanded Dial-A-Ride boundary / Monthly passes & discount ticket book programs initiated
Aug./Sep. 1999	Introduction of weekday evening general public Dial-A-Ride service and weekday commuter service to the Lincoln Airport Industrial Park (ended January 2004)
April 2001	Introduction of Route 5 and half hour service frequencies on Routes 1 and 3
September 2003	Introduction of monthly fixed route pass for youth with deep discounts in other pass rates; Saturday Route 4B service; the North Beale Transit Center; and, bus stop information panels
July 2004	Saturday service hours extended one hour to 5:30 p.m. and a noon Sacramento schedule is added
September 2005	Initiation of the FRAQMD funded year-round Discount Monthly Youth Pass Program (combined in 2015 with similar discount pass programs for seniors and persons with disabilities)
October 2006	Route 6 (Linda Shuttle) is added to allow Route 1 to be extended to the Yuba City Marketplace and River Valley High School (school segment was delayed until Oct. 2007) and half hour service frequencies are added to Routes 1 & 3 on Saturdays

December 2008	Opening of the McGowan Parkway Park & Ride Lot and delivery of 12 low-floor local fixed route buses to replace 8 old buses to greatly enhance accessibility, speed passenger boarding and allow for Route 2 expansion
January 2008	Expansion of the Wheatland Route to two days a week with other route, schedule, stop and policy changes to eliminate advance reservation requirement
January 2009	Expansion of Route 2 to half-hour service each weekday; expansion of the Live Oak Route from one to two round trips three days a week; and, Foothill route, schedule, stop and policy changes to eliminate advance reservation requirement
October 2009	Opening of the Plumas Lake Park & Ride Lot
January 2010	Install video surveillance system on all local fixed route buses (now on all buses)
April 2010	Introduction of the first tour-bus style, 57-seat, 45' commuter buses (now standard)
January 2012	Completion of the remodel and expansion of the existing operations, maintenance and administration facility to its maximum capacity
April 2013	Initiation of the FRAQMD funded Discount Monthly Senior Pass Program
January 2014	Initiation of a FRAQMD funded one-year demonstration Discount Monthly Disabled Pass Program (combined in 2015 with similar discount pass programs) / Delivery of 11 heavy duty low floor replacement & expansion fixed route buses for an all low-floor fixed route fleet
July 2015	Expansion of the Live Oak Route from three to five days a week which included service to Yuba College's Sutter County Center
September 2015	Local fixed route changes to move Route 1 out of the mall; realign Route 4A with Route 4B; and other related and miscellaneous changes
December 2015	Mercy Housing funded Wheatland route expansion to one round trip each weekday
June 2017	Introduction of the regional Connect Card and related fare policy changes
July 2018	Complete the conversion to an all tour-bus style commuter bus fleet / Full Connect Card conversion (drop paper passes & transfers) / Installation of free Wi-Fi service on all commuter buses (added to the local fixed route fleet in March 2019)
June/July 2019	Added a bus tracking system with predictive arrival times for passenger use on all local, rural and Sacramento schedules / Systemwide fare and fare policy changes / Sacramento service expansion in the Highway 70 corridor for a total of 23 weekday schedules / Significant bus stop enhancements (new shelters and Simme seats)
November 2019	Delivery of 11 replacement buses for an all Gillig heavy-duty local fixed route fleet
March 2020	Local start of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic leading to a host of temporary operational and policy changes many of which remain in effect for FY 2023.
July 2021	Purchased a 19.7-acre replacement facility site at 6035 Avondale Avenue in Linda.
Spring/Summer 2023	Adopt the NextGen Transit Plan in which both the current and emerging service approaches and technologies are being evaluated / Complete the funding package for the NextGen Transit Facility / Delivery of six small low-floor replacement buses (Davey Coach Frontliners) / Replace long-time Executive Director