



Club Rideshare

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Find Important Transportation Updates at Go511



Most Southern California transit providers have remained in service, providing vital transportation to essential workers.

Temporary adjustments—includes changing or consolidating routes, switching to back door boarding, and requiring riders to wear face masks—are being made to ensure safety of both passengers and transit workers.

The 511 network—which provides free traveler information online at go511.com—is posting the latest transportation information changes due to Coronavirus (COVID-19). This includes updates on freeways, express lanes and specific transit providers in Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Riverside and Ventura counties.

Other resources for transportation news updates:

- L.A. Metro: metro.net
- L.A. Metro's blog *The Source*: thesource.metro.net
- Metrolink: metrolinktrains.com
- Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA): octa.net
- OCTA's blog *On the Move*: blog.octa.net
- Riverside Transit Agency: riversidetransit.com

Bike Resources, Maps & More

May is usually Bike Month, and while in Orange County OCTA is postponing it until September, now is still a great time to celebrate biking. Not only is it a zero-pollution way to get where you need to go, but it can also allow you to practice social distancing while exercising.

Visit the OCTA bike resources guide ([continued](#))



"Why I Rideshare"

To get to her job in IT at the OC Justice Center, Kim Nguyen simply walks across the street. It isn't just luck that gives her such a short commute. "I saw they were building these apartments and thought it would be cool if I could walk to work," she says. "Anything that can eliminate some stress in my life would be great."



While Kim is temporarily telecommuting, she says she actually enjoys her usual commute because it helps her fit in a little exercise. "It also allows me to spend some time outside," she says.

Congratulations Club Rideshare Winners

We'd like to extend a big "congrats" and thanks for ridesharing to April winners of the Club Rideshare monthly prize drawing of \$25:

- Kim Nguyen, Superior Court
- Sandra Gilbert, Superior Court
- April Thornton, OCHCA





Bike Resources... (continued from page 1)

at octa.net/bike where you can view a map of Orange County's 1,000 miles of bikeways (or request a printed map). You'll also find information on:

- Bike lockers where you can safely stow your bike near work or transit stations
- Bike shops
- Future free Webinars where you can learn about bike safety, repairs, local resources and more
- Rules and tips for bringing bikes on transit

OCTA also offers **bike safety tips and free workshops** where you'll learn how to share the road with motor vehicles.

Need a Route?

You can find bike-friendly routes that give preference to bike lanes and wider streets using mapmyride.com, bikemap.net, strava.com—there are plenty of free bike routing apps available.

Reduce Your Transit Wait Time

Why wait at the transit station longer than you need to? Get real-time arrival information on your hand-held device so you don't have to wonder when your ride will arrive (and can time your trip to the station or bus stop more accurately).

Metrolink's Train Tracker—Log in at metrolinktrains.com and select your station and train to find out when it is due to arrive or if it's running late or canceled.

OC Text 4 Next—**Download the Text 4 Next app**, and then you can simply type your stop and route number to find out when your bus will arrive.



Construction on the I-5

Construction that started last month continues on the second segment of the I-5 Widening Project. It focuses on a 2.1-mile stretch between SR-73 and Oso Parkway that borders Mission Viejo, Laguna Hills, Aliso Viejo, and Laguna Niguel.

Improvements include adding one general purpose lane to increase capacity and reconstructing Avery Parkway to expand it from four to six lanes. Bike lanes will be widened and sidewalks installed on both sides of the street.

The project will also convert carpool lanes to continuous access to make it easier to enter and exit.



And the Survey Says...

The County of Orange conducted its annual transportation survey last September, with 16,337—90% of employees—responding. The results show that the County has an average vehicle ridership (AVR) of 1.22, up from 1.19 the year prior. AVR is an average of how many people arrive per vehicle. Thanks to all of you who carpool, vanpool, ride transit, walk, bike or work compressed schedules, there's less traffic and fewer cars clogging County worksites than if you drove alone.

During the survey week, County employees who chose alternatives to driving saved:

- \$261,551 in commute costs
- Nearly a half-million miles (443,306)
- 26,077 gallons of gas
- More than 250 tons of emissions

Thank you, ridesharers, for all you do to make Orange County a better place to live and work.

Have You Moved?

If your home address, work/home phone numbers or email have changed, please let the Rideshare Office know by sending an email to rideshare@ocgov.com.



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