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Free Long Beach Transit Bus Service On New Year's Eve

Evening and Extended Late Night Service Supports Downtown Celebrations

LONG BEACH, CALIF. (December 15, 2015) – Long Beach Transit will offer free rides starting at 5 p.m. on New Year's Eve. The service day will also be extended with routes leaving the Transit Gallery on 1st Street between Long Beach Boulevard and Pine Avenue as late as 2:35 a.m. on New Year's morning. No special coupon or ticket is required.

The promotion encourages the community to take public transit to and from festivities in Long Beach to avoid drinking and driving. This free service was made available in part by the Downtown Long Beach Associates in promotion of the New Year's Eve events happening in downtown Long Beach. The events include a family-friendly celebration and fireworks display at Rainbow Harbor, as well as a street party on Pine Avenue between 1st and 4th streets. "We want everyone to be safe out there this New Year's Eve. Take LBT for free, enjoy your time and welcome in the New Year!" said Debra Johnson, Long Beach Transit's Deputy CEO. For revelers traveling between Los Angeles and Long Beach, the Metro Blue Line will also be free on New Year's Eve from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m. on New Year's Day.

In addition to free boarding during regular operating hours after 5 p.m., there will also be free extended service on some routes leaving the Transit Gallery on 1st Street to accommodate anticipated high late-night demand in downtown Long Beach. The last buses running extended service will leave the Transit Gallery at 2:35 a.m. Some bus routes during the extended service hours will be shortened, so customers are encouraged to plan their trip early by calling LBT's friendly customer service team at 562-591-2301 Monday-Friday, 7am-6pm, Saturday 8am-5pm, or by visiting the Transit & Visitor Information Center at First Street & Pine Avenue in downtown Long Beach. Transit assistance from a live person will be available in downtown Long Beach during the New Year's Eve festivities, and regular route information is available 24/7 at www.lbtransit.com.

Extended service trips will leave the First Street Transit Gallery at the following shelters:

LATE-NIGHT TRIPS LEAVING THE TRANSIT GALLERY ON 1ST STREET

ROUTE #	TRANSIT GALLERY SHELTER	TO*	ROUTE ENDS*	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	FINAL DEPARTURE TIME
21	H	Cherry Avenue	Carson Street	9:35p	10:35p	11:35p	12:35a	1:35a*	2:35a*
46	B	Anaheim Street	Pacific Coast Highway	12:05a	12:35a	1:05a*	1:35a*	2:05a*	2:35a*
61	G	Atlantic Avenue	Artesia Boulevard	10:05p	10:35p	11:35p	12:35a	1:35a*	2:35a*
94	E	Bellflower Boulevard	Stearns Street	12:05a	12:35a	1:05a*	1:35a*	2:05a*	2:35a*
111	C	Willow Street	Lakewood Boulevard	9:35p	10:35p	11:35p	12:35a	1:35a*	2:35a*
121	H	Atherton	Ximeno Avenue	12:55a*	1:15a*	1:35a*	1:55a*	2:15a*	2:35a*
151 west	D	Golden Avenue	4 th Street	11:41p	12:11a	12:41a*	1:11a*	1:41a*	2:11a*
151 east	H	4 th Street	Ximeno Avenue	12:05a	12:35a	1:05a*	1:35a*	2:05a*	2:35a*
173	F	183 rd Street	Los Cerritos Center	9:35p	10:35p*	11:35p*	12:35a*	1:35a*	2:35a
191	C	Del Amo Boulevard	Cherry Avenue	10:05p	10:35p	11:35p	12:35a	1:35a*	2:35a*

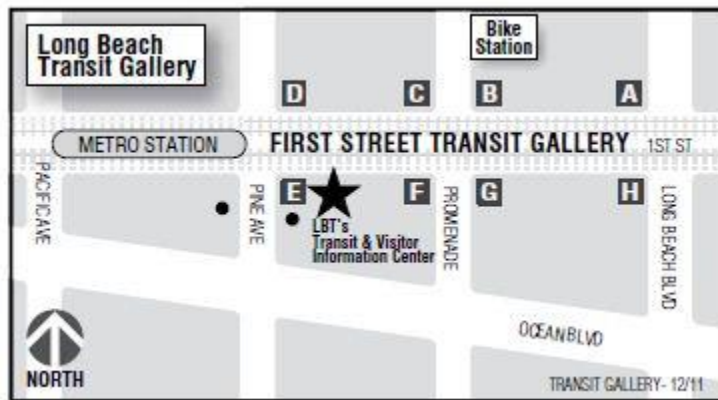
*Shortened Routes due to extended service

All unmarked times are regular Saturday service

LATE-NIGHT TRIPS ON THE PASSPORT ROUTE LEAVING DOWNTOWN LB

ROUTE #	BUS STOP LOCATION	TO*	ROUTE ENDS*	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	DEPARTS	FINAL DEPARTURE TIME
Passport north	On Pacific Avenue At Ocean Boulevard	10 th Street	Pine Avenue	12:25a	12:55a	1:25a	1:55a	2:25a	2:55a
Passport south	On Ocean Boulevard at Pacific Avenue	Queensway Drive	Queen Mary						

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About Long Beach Transit

Long Beach Transit serves over 28.6 million boarding customers in Long Beach, Lakewood and Signal Hill—as well as portions of Artesia, Bellflower, Carson, Cerritos, Compton, Hawaiian Gardens, Los Alamitos, Norwalk, and Paramount and Seal Beach. Water taxi services via AquaBus and AquaLink are available summer through early fall. For more information visit, www.lbtransit.com.

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