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MTS to offer extra Trolley service for sporting and music events

San Diego – Labor Day weekend is the last "hoorah" of summer, and busy crowds are expected throughout San Diego for large-scale sold-out special events all weekend long. The San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) will ramp up Trolley service for music and sports fans attending concerts and games. Additionally, the agency will operate on a Sunday service schedule on Monday, Sept. 2, for Labor Day.

Petco Park Events

Rocks Stars and Baseball Fans Unite! To kick off a fun-filled weekend, Def Leppard, Journey, and the Steve Miller Band are expecting a sell-out crowd as they hit the stage together at Petco Park Friday, Aug. 30. And to bookend the holiday weekend, the Padres are expecting busy crowds as they face the Detroit Tigers Labor Day, Sept. 2. Concert-goers and baseball fans are encouraged to skip busy traffic and high parking costs by taking transit to Petco Park.

All three Trolley Lines – UC San Diego Blue, Orange and Green – will provide additional service before and after the concert and game to and from the 12th & Imperial Transit Center, which is steps away from Petco Park. All the extra service details can be found on the <u>MTS Padres vs.</u> Tigers webpages.

Snapdragon Stadium Events

Football and Fútbol Fans will get a double dose of sports action during the holiday weekend at Snapdragon Stadium. SDSU Aztecs Football will kick off its season Saturday, Aug. 31, when they face Texas A&M University-Commerce. The fun on the field continues with a soccer match Sunday, Sept. 1, featuring the San Diego Wave FC, which boasts two Olympic champions, vs. Angel City FC.

To accommodate the large crowds, MTS will increase Green Line Trolley service before and after games. Sports fans can find gameday service details on the <u>MTS SDSU Aztec Football vs.</u> Texas A&M - Commerce (or <u>Snapdragon Stadium</u>) and the Wave vs. Angel City webpages.

Additionally, die-hard Aztecs fans can save big by getting the <u>Aztecs All-Season Pass</u>, which features a discounted transit pass for \$20 for all six home games.

Parking Alternatives

Fans can avoid high parking costs by using MTS' free park & ride lots throughout the Trolley

system. View the full list of <u>Park & Ride</u> lots on the MTS website. The most convenient locations are:

- Old Town Transit Center (Blue and Green Line, 400+ free parking spots)
- Grossmont Transit Center (Green and Orange Line, 220 free parking spots)
- El Cajon Transit Center (Green and Orange Line, 400+ free parking spots)
- Amaya Drive (Green and Orange Line, 236 free parking spots)
- Spring Street (Orange Line, 235 free parking spots)
- E Street (Blue Line South, 265 free parking spots)
- Balboa Avenue Transit Center (Blue Line North, 225 free parking spots)
- Tecolote Station (Blue Line North, 275 free parking spots)

Labor Day Service

On Monday, Sept. 2 (Labor Day), MTS's <u>Vintage Trolley</u> will operate on the Silver Line. The very first iconic red San Diego Trolley, the 1001 U2, will operate on a downtown loop. The Silver Line Vintage Trolley departs from the 12th & Imperial Transit Center every hour, starting at 9:07 a.m. with its last trip departing at 5:07 p.m. Passengers can also board at any of the downtown stops serviced on this route (see map <u>here</u>). It takes approximately 30 minutes to complete the downtown loop.

MTS will also operate on <u>a Sunday service schedule on Labor Day</u> for bus routes and Trolley lines. MTS Information and Trip Planning assistance will be open during modified hours, from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. The Transit Store, PRONTO Support Center and Customer Service will be closed.

On Saturday and Sunday, MTS' Family Weekends promotion will be taking place allowing two kids 12 and under to ride free with each paying adult on all MTS services. MTS will also have its Friends Ride Free holiday promotion in effect on Monday, Sept. 2, for Labor Day. Every fare-paying adult passenger can bring one guest on board for free. Youth ride free with a Youth PRONTO card/account through the <u>Youth Opportunity Pass Program</u>. Passengers can find detailed holiday service information by visiting <u>sdmts.com/getting-around/service-changes</u>.

About MTS

The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) operates 92 bus routes and three Trolley lines in 10 cities and unincorporated areas of San Diego. MTS is a leader in advancing initiatives to create a greener, cleaner and better-connected transit system in San Diego. Each weekday more than 250,000 passenger trips are taken throughout the MTS system taking people to work, school, health appointments and other essential trips. In FY 2024, MTS served more than 75 million riders. For service schedule updates, news, alerts and more information on how you can use public transportation, go to <u>www.sdmts.com</u>.

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