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San Diego – The San Diego Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) and the North County Transit District (NCTD) announced plans to provide free transit rides and extra late-night service on New Year's Eve, giving the public a safe, convenient, and affordable way to travel as they ring in the new year.

MTS and NCTD will provide complimentary rides after 6 p.m. on all MTS buses, the Trolley, COASTER, SPRINTER and BREEZE fixed-route services. The agencies will also provide extended late-night service from Downtown San Diego on the MTS Trolley and NCTD COASTER. Additionally, NCTD will provide extended service between Escondido and Oceanside on the SPRINTER.

The UC San Diego Blue Line, Orange Line, Copper Line and Green Line Trolleys will provide service past midnight. Several trips are scheduled to UTC, San Ysidro, El Cajon, and Santee. A detailed schedule is available at <u>sdmts.com/newyearseve</u>. The extended late-night Trolley service is sponsored by <u>Big Outdoor</u>.

The last NCTD COASTER train will depart Santa Fe Depot at 1:20 a.m. The last SPRINTER out of the Escondido Transit Center will depart at 1:33 a.m., while the last SPRINTER out of the Oceanside Transit Center will depart at 2:33 a.m. For a detailed schedule, visit <u>GoNCTD.com/NewYearsEve</u>.

About MTS

The Metropolitan Transit System (MTS) operates 92 bus routes and four 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 238,000 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 www.sdmts.com.

About NCTD

The North County Transit District is a public transportation agency providing critical multi-modal services throughout North San Diego County and into downtown San Diego. NCTD is designated as a rail common carrier by the Surface Transportation Board based on the movement of interstate commerce on the tracks and the Railroad of Record by the Federal Railroad Administration responsible for safety over the entire San Diego portion of the LOSSAN corridor,

the nation's second largest passenger rail network. NCTD's system includes BREEZE buses (with FLEX service), COASTER commuter trains, SPRINTER hybrid rail trains, LIFT paratransit service, and NCTD+ On-demand and is one of only three public transit agencies in the nation to operate heavy rail, hybrid rail, and bus service. For more information visit: GoNCTD.com.

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