STAFF REPORT

DATE: November 9, 2026

TO: Sacramento Regional Transit Board of Directors

FROM: Henry Li, General Manager/CEO

SUBJ: GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

RECOMMENDATION

No Recommendation - For Information Only.

SacRT Meeting Calendar

Regional Transit Board Meeting
December 14, 2026
1102 Q Street - SacRT Auditorium
4:00 P.M.

Quarterly Retirement Board Meeting
December 9, 2026
1102 Q Street - SacRT Auditorium
1:00 P.M.

Mobility Advisory Council Meeting
November 19, 2026
1102 Q Street - SacRT Auditorium
2:30 P.M.

Tap2Ride: A Faster, Easier Way to Pay
SacRT is expanding its Tap2Ride contactless fare payment program to light rail stations, giving riders another convenient way to pay for their trips.

Tap2Ride lets you pay with a contactless credit or debit card or a compatible mobile wallet on your smartphone or smartwatch. The technology is already available on SacRT buses and SacRT GO paratransit vehicles, and installation is now underway at light rail stations.

Tap2Ride devices are being installed on light rail station platforms, with one device planned for each platform. Once a device is installed, riders can follow these simple steps:

1. Locate the Tap2Ride device on the station platform.
2. Tap your contactless credit or debit card, or your compatible mobile wallet, on the designated payment area.

3. Board your train and enjoy your ride!

Transit Ambassadors may ask to verify your fare while onboard. If asked, simply tap the same card or mobile wallet you used to pay your fare on the Transit Ambassador's verification device.

You can also use Tap2Ride when boarding SacRT buses and SacRT GO paratransit vehicles. Simply tap your contactless card or compatible mobile wallet when boarding.

To receive applicable transfer benefits between bus rides, be sure to use the same payment method for each trip. For example, if you pay with your physical credit card on your first ride, use that same card on your next ride. Using your phone's mobile wallet instead of the physical card may register as a different payment method.

You can continue to use existing fare payment options, including your Connect Card and the Transit Connect mobile app, while SacRT completes the Tap2Ride rollout.

What's Coming Next?
SacRT continues to improve the Transit Connect mobile fare app as part of the Tap2Ride program. An app upgrade is anticipated by the end of November 2026, pending completion of testing and confirmation of the release schedule.

Transit Connect smart cards are expected to become available in early 2027. More information about availability and future fare payment updates will be shared as it becomes available at sacrt.com/TransitConnect.

For more information about the Tap2Ride fare payment option, visit sacrt.com/Tap2Ride.

Blue Line Service Disruptions Planned for November
SacRT will continue platform construction and safety improvements at several Blue Line stations in November, requiring temporary station closures and bus bridges.

November 9 – 22: Broadway Station platform construction will require changing bus bridge locations throughout the project. Disruptions will affect different sections of the Blue Line, with service changes scheduled through 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 22.

Riders should plan ahead, allow extra travel time, and check sacrt.com/BlueLine for details as the schedule could change due to inclement weather.

The SacRT Holiday Bus Returns December 1
The SacRT Holiday Bus is back, and this year it's bringing the gift of reading to children throughout the Sacramento region!

Beginning Tuesday, December 1, 2026, SacRT's festive Holiday Bus will hit the streets as part of Booked for the Holidays, a community-wide children's book drive in partnership with Friends of the Sacramento Public Library. This year's bus is decorated as a giant storybook on wheels, sharing a simple message: *Give a book. Take a ride. Share a story.*

Throughout December, SacRT and Friends of the Sacramento Public Library will collect new and gently used children's books, with a goal of gathering 1,000 books for local children. Through the Friends' Book First program, donations will help put books into the hands of children through local schools, community organizations and other programs serving families throughout our region.

The campaign kicks off Tuesday, December 1, 2026, with the first book donation drive at the Book Den in Sacramento. Riders can also enjoy a fare-free ride when the Holiday Bus is operating on their bus route. Watch for the storybook on wheels, bring a children's book to a designated donation event or collection location, and help SacRT spread holiday cheer one story at a time.

Learn more, find donation information and follow the Holiday Bus schedule at sacrt.com/HolidayBus.

SacRT is Hiring! We're Hosting Two In-Person Events

SacRT connects people to opportunities, experiences and each other. Our team is dedicated to providing safe, reliable and accessible transit services for all residents. Find out how to get started at one of the two in-person hiring events we are hosting this month:

Location: SacRT (Midtown) Auditorium
1400 29th Street, Sacramento

Dates:
Friday, November 6, 2026
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Tuesday, November 10, 2026
2:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Transit: Accessible by bus routes 30, 38, 67, 68 and light rail to the 29th Street Station
Parking: Street parking available.

Learn more at sacrt.com/HiringEvents.

Rider Alert: SacRT Holiday Service

Veterans Day (Wednesday, November 11)

SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail, Folsom transit services, Rancho CordoVan, SacRT Flex and SacRT GO will operate regular service. The following services will not operate:

Causeway Connection, Elk Grove Fixed Local, Elk Grove Commuter and SacRT e-van

Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, November 26)

SacRT fixed-route bus, light rail and SacRT GO paratransit services will operate on a Sunday/holiday schedule. The following services will not operate:

Causeway Connection, Elk Grove/UC Davis Medical Center Express (bus route 137), Folsom Transit Services, Elk Grove Transit Services (including e-van), Rancho CordoVan and SacRT Flex

The Customer Service and Sales Center at 1225 R Street will be closed; however, the phone lines will be open from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Day After Thanksgiving (Friday, November 27)

SacRT fixed-route buses, light rail, Folsom transit services, Elk Grove Local, Rancho CordoVan, SacRT e-van and SacRT Flex will operate regular service. The following services will not operate:

Causeway Connection, Elk Grove Commuter

For trip planning assistance, call 916-321-BUSS (2877) or visit sacrt.com/PlanYourTrip.

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Henry Li – GM/CEO Update

November 9, 2026

Election Update

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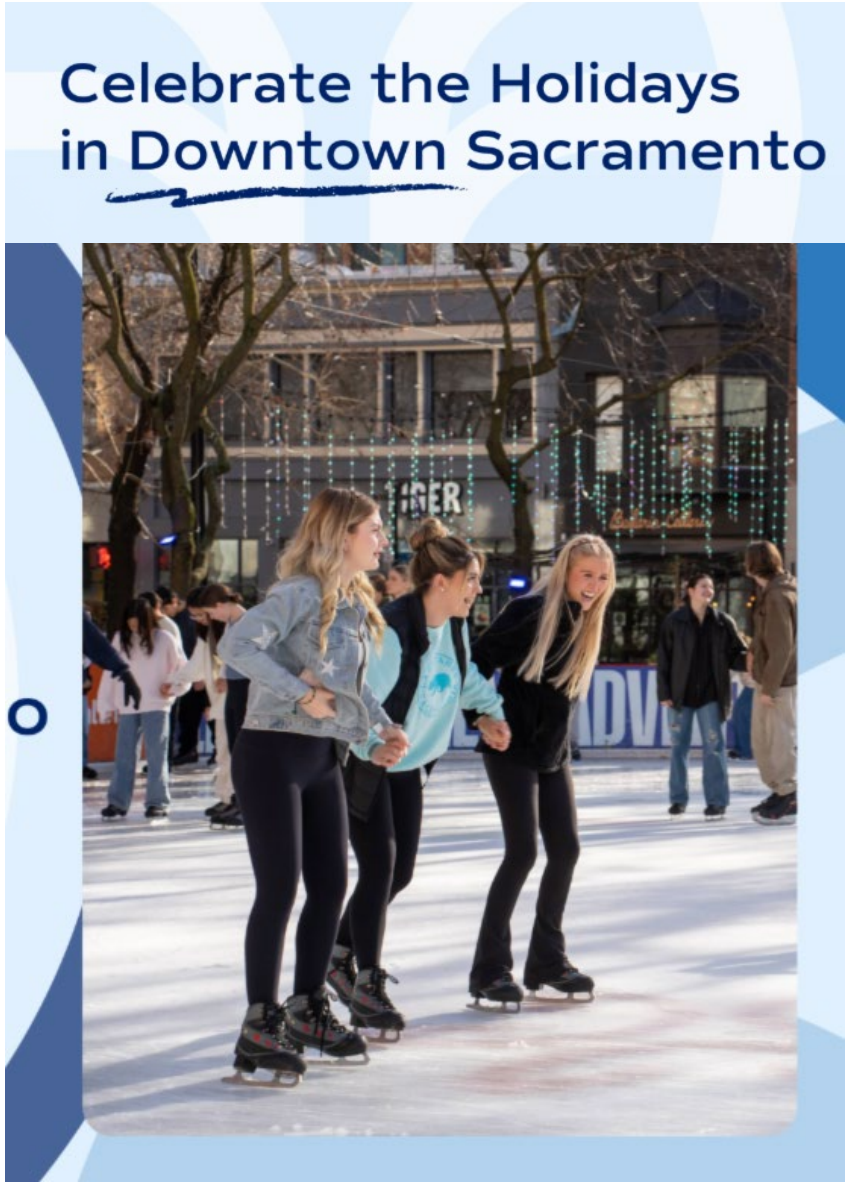
2026 Snapshot

68	Public Transit Measures on the Ballot
56	Wins for Transit
9	Losses for Transit
$43.78B	Total Revenue Won
$31.32B	Known Transit Revenue Won
$3.02B	Total Annual Revenue Won
$2.08B	Annual Known Transit Revenue Won

Hiring Events

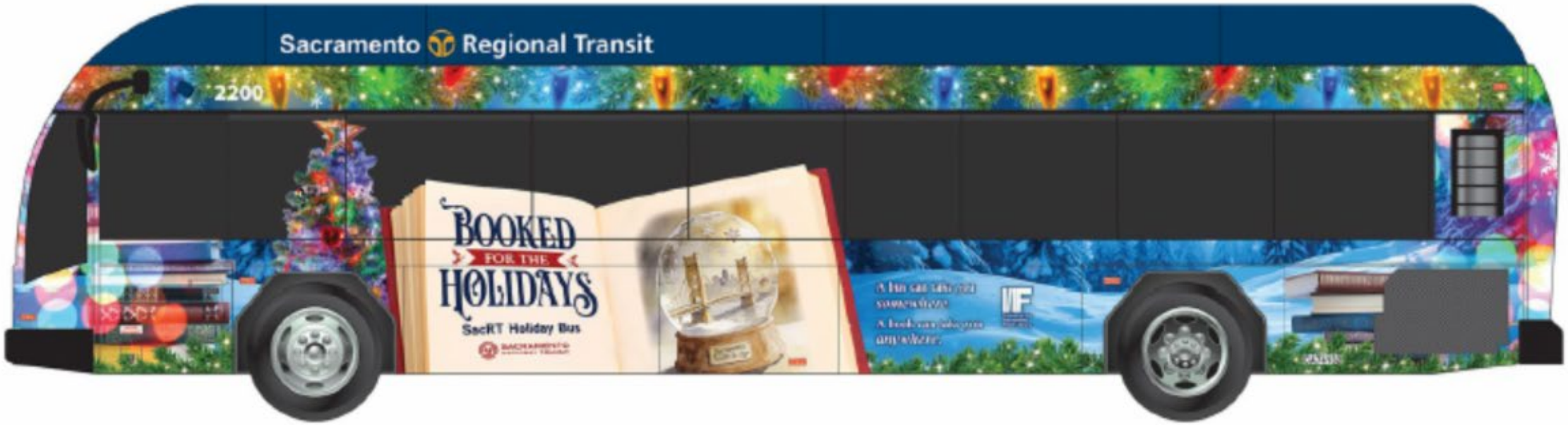


Downtown Ice Rink





Holiday Bus



Friends of the Sacramento Public Library

Give a book. Take a ride.
Share a story