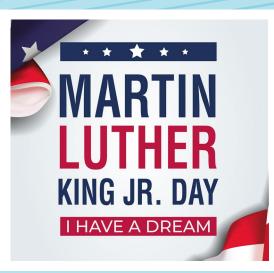
## BUS TALK Newsletter JANUARY 2023



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## MLK JR. DAY -REGULAR SCHEDULE

LTD buses, Customer Service Center and Administrative Offices operate on adjusted schedules in observation of certain holidays.

On Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Monday, January 16, buses operate on regular schedules. The Customer Service Center and lobby waiting area in Eugene Station are open from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The Administrative Offices, however, are closed.

For a complete list of holiday service schedule, visit: **LTD.org** 

# WINTER SERVICE CHANGE

### **A MESSAGE TO RIDERS:**

Three times a year, LTD makes route and schedule adjustments to reflect the demands of current ridership levels and to increase operating efficiency. LTD, like many other transit districts nationwide, is experiencing a bus operator shortage which impacts our ability to provide the quality of service upon which our community relies. In order to balance the health and well-being of our operators while continuing to provide quality service to our community, LTD has made the difficult decision to scale back its winter service change. Beginning February 5, riders will see timepoint changes and fewer trips on some routes. While this is disappointing for all of us, LTD is working hard to recruit and train bus operators so that we can increase service throughout the District.

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If you or someone you know is interested in becoming an LTD bus operator, **apply online**.





#### Follow LTD on Twitter for Real-Time Alerts

Prepare for winter weather before it arrives by following LTD on Twitter **@LaneTransit**. When winter weather is in the forecast, LTD closely monitors road conditions and communicates detours in real-time through Twitter, **LTD.org**, and local news stations.







## Save the Date

## JANUARY 11<sup>™</sup> IS #WearBlueDay



## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS MONTH

Join the Blue Campaign

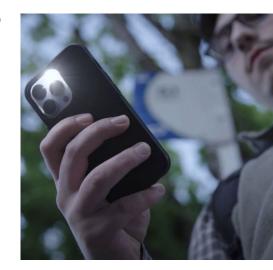
January is Human Trafficking Awareness month. LTD encourages all community members to #WearBlue on January 11, 2023, to raise awareness about human trafficking. #WearBlue day is part of the nationwide Blue Campaign sponsored by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to educate the public, law enforcement, and other industry partners to recognize the indicators of human trafficking and how to appropriately respond to possible cases. #WearBlue on January 11!

Visit **DHS.gov** to learn more about the Blue Campaign, including how to identify potential human trafficking situations.

## **BE SEEN AT YOUR STOP**

Be seen at your stop on chilly winter nights by following these tips:

- Stand up as the bus approaches your stop.
- Use a cell phone or flashlight to signal the bus operator.
- Wear light-colored, bright, or reflective clothing.
- When walking, face oncoming traffic.



## NEW YEAR, NEW COMMUTE

Can you guess the most common New Year's resolutions? Improving health, spending more time with family, taking up a new hobby, and saving money top the list of most common goals for the New Year. Whatever your New Year's resolution is, there is a transportation option that will help you achieve your goals. Do you want to be more active this year? Walk to work or the nearest bus stop to get your steps in. Is spending more time with family your goal? Ask if telecommuting is an option at your workplace so that you spend less time commuting and

more time with your loved ones. Are you looking to pick up a new hobby? Commute by bike (or unicycle!). There are many fun, healthy ways to get to work besides driving alone in a car. To learn more about how LTD can help you find a new way to commute to work, visit the LTD Employer Program page.





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## **PUBLIC MEETINGS**

LTD offers multiple ways to attend, watch and participate in LTD's public meetings. Attend in person at the LTD Administrative Office at 3500 East 17th Avenue, or watch the meetings via Zoom, on local channel 21, or stream on Eugene Metro TV's YouTube channel.

### Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee

Tuesday, January 3 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Finance Committee** Tuesday, January 10 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee Tuesday, January 17 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Board of Directors** Wednesday, January 18 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Strategic Planning Committee

Tuesday, January 24 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

#### Statewide Transportation Improvement Fund Advisory Committee

Tuesday, January 31 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

For more information about Lane Transit District's public meeting schedule, visit LTD.org

## **WELCOME, NEW BOARD MEMBERS!**

Oregon Governor Kate Brown has appointed three local community leaders to serve on the LTD Board of Directors for the next four years.

#### Heather Murphy, representing Subdistrict 3: Southeast Eugene, Creswell, Cottage Grove, and Lowell areas.

**Kelly Sutherland, representing Subdistrict 4:** North Eugene (East of River Road) and the Coburg areas.

**Lawrence Green, representing Subdistrict 6:** West Eugene/Highway 99, River Road, and Junction City areas.

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