



Newsletter

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New Ray Lawyer Drive Park & Ride Now Open

El Dorado Transit began commuter bus service to the new Ray Lawyer Drive Park-and-Ride in Placerville on Monday, November 4, 2019.

The new park-and-ride was built as part of the second phase of the Western Placerville Interchange Project that was managed by the City of Placerville.

The park & ride is located near the new off-ramp at Ray Lawyer Drive and Forni Road giving buses and commuters uncomplicated access from the freeway. This new facility replaces the park & ride at the El Dorado County Fairgrounds. There are approximately 150 parking spaces, giving plenty of space for commuter, carpool, and vanpool parking. In addition, the facility offers parking for those who use the bike trail which is located across the street.

The park & ride offers increased parking, improved lighting and bus shelters. Six commuter buses in the morning and eight commuter buses in the afternoon provide service to the Ray Lawyer Drive Park & Ride.



Community Events

El Dorado Transit staff had the opportunity to participate in two community events in December.

The first event was the Hangtown Christmas Parade on December 8th where staff and family members decorated a bus and handed out free ride vouchers along the parade route.



The second event was with Blue Shield and the El Dorado County Sheriff's Department. Blue Shield staff put together food boxes that we helped deliver to the Sheriff's Department. The Sheriff's then distributed the boxes to families in our community who were in need of help.



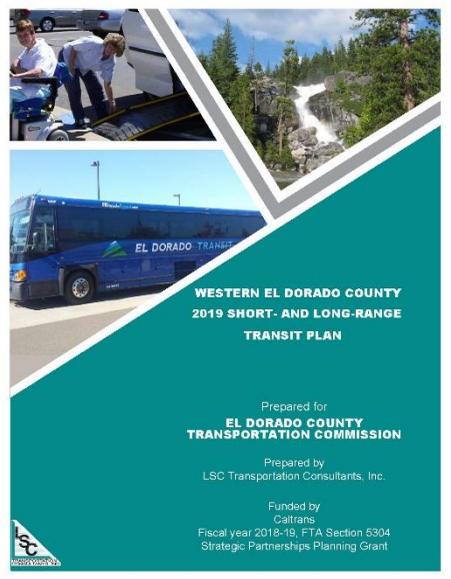
We are glad that we were able to participate in these events and help bring joy to people in our community.

Holiday Schedule

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El Dorado Transit will be closed and will not operate on the following holidays:

- Wednesday, January 1.....New Year's Day
- Monday, January 20.....Martin Luther King Day
- Monday, February 17.....President's Day



Western El Dorado County 2019 Short- and Long- Range Transit Plan Released

The development of a Short- and Long-Range Transit Plan lays the groundwork necessary to identify and plan for the implementation of service improvements and capital projects.

The final plan was accepted by the El Dorado Transit Board on December 5, 2019. It reflects changes in population demographics, evaluates existing services, reviews and recommends goals and objectives, responds to gaps in the transportation system and proposes cost-effective service revisions. The short range five-year plan covers fiscal years 2019/20 through 2023/24 including year-by-year detailed recommendations for implementation strategies using projected capital and operating funds. The long range plan adheres to the same principles but has a service horizon of 2039 and includes longer term capital projects.

The plan is available at <https://eldorado-transit.com/document-library/>.