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LADOT Launches New DASH Sylmar Route Surpassing 200 miles of DASH service in Los Angeles



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The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) has launched a brand-new DASH route in Sylmar which began this weekend on July 31. The new route is the latest improvement in LADOT's major service expansion plan which prioritizes neighborhoods that currently lack robust public transportation infrastructure and large numbers of no-vehicle households.

"Owning a vehicle is a luxury many in our community cannot afford, which is why I secured funding to study route expansions in my district," said Councilmember Monica Rodriguez. "I'm proud to deliver an affordable, clean and convenient DASH line that will provide access to critical destinations and transit hubs that meet the public transportation needs for our community."



"For too long, lack of transit options has been a barrier to opportunity in too many Los Angeles neighborhoods," said LADOT General Manager Seleta Reynolds. "At LADOT, we're pushing to achieve Universal Basic Mobility through service expansions like our new Sylmar Community DASH and many others to come."

The DASH Sylmar route will travel along Hubbard Street between the Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station and Mission College. From the college, it will travel on Eldridge Avenue to Sayre Street and along Sayre to Borden where it will turn onto Hubbard at 7th and continue back to the Sylmar/San Fernando Metrolink Station. Service will operate seven days a week. Buses will run every 15 minutes Monday through Friday from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM; Saturdays and Sundays, buses will operate every 30 minutes from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

This is the first of several new routes planned by LADOT as part of a service expansion and improvement plan adopted in 2019. Other changes already implemented include recently introduced changes to DASH Downtown LA Routes D and E; weekend services on all DASH routes, evening service on DASH Downtown routes, new Commuter Express service for Playa Vista and El Segundo, increased benefits for Cityride customers, and the introduction and demonstration on the Westside of an on-demand, shared-ride service called LAnow.

Future improvements are still underway with other new DASH routes in several areas not currently served as well as more frequent service on existing routes. The remaining improvements will be phased as resources allow through 2024.



About LADOT Transit

LADOT Transit is the operating division of the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation responsible for providing commuter bus, neighborhood circulator bus, on-demand first-mile/last-mile service and accessible transportation for seniors and the disabled. LADOT Transit is the largest operator of municipal transit services in Los Angeles County providing over 20 million trips to those who live, work and visit Los Angeles.

LADOT Transit's Commuter Express program offers point-to-point workday bus service, from the San Fernando Valley, Thousand Oaks, Calabasas, the Beach Cities, El Segundo, and the Westside to Downtown Los Angeles; from Downtown to El Segundo as well as between Pasadena, Glendale and Burbank, San Pedro and Long Beach, and from the San Fernando Valley to the Westside and South Bay.

DASH neighborhood circulator bus services operate in Downtown Los Angeles and 27 other neighborhoods in the City of Los Angeles.

LAnow is an on-demand, shared-ride first and last mile pilot service operated by LADOT Transit in the communities of Del Rey, Mar Vista, Venice Beach and Palms.

Cityride is the largest voluntary paratransit program of its kind in the nation, offering essential transportation services to seniors and the mobility challenged with dial a ride van, taxi and discounted fares on conventional transit services.

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