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Tri Delta Transit Celebrates 40 Years of Service with Free Rides

ANTIOCH, CA, October 23, 2017 – 2017 marks the 40th anniversary of local public transportation in Eastern Contra Costa County provided by Tri Delta Transit. To celebrate, the agency will be providing free rides on all weekend routes, every weekend in November. "This will include Thanksgiving Day and the day after," added Marketing Director Mike Furnary. "Free rides will be available on routes 392, 393, 394, and 395. No special coupon will be necessary to receive free rides. Customers simply can board any bus on the weekend and their ride will be free."

Few services have had such an impact on our community as the introduction of Tri Delta Transit. "Our system plays an integral role in keeping our community moving," said agency CEO, Jeanne Krieg. "When you consider that this agency literally started as a kitchen-table-discussion in the home of long-time board member Barbara Guise, and we have grown to provide more than 3,000,000 rides each year, it is a true symbol of our community's perseverance."

Tri Delta Transit began service in 1977 with only two limited-service bus routes, operated by AC Transit. Since then, service has grown to 18 bus routes including express service to BART and paratransit services for seniors and disabled. Service is provided 365 days a year.

"We are excited to share our accomplishment with our customers and thank them for their support over the last 40 years" said Krieg. "However, as important as it is to acknowledge our history, we are equally excited about our future and our commitment to our customers." Tri Delta Transit recently grew again, adding another weekday route in downtown Pittsburg. New Route 381 began service September 25 and travels between the Pittsburg Marina, through downtown Pittsburg, to Los Medanos College.

Tri Delta Transit provides over 3,000,000 trips each year to a population of over 250,000 residents in the 225 square miles of Eastern Contra Costa County. They operate 14 local bus routes Monday – Friday, 4 local bus routes on weekends, door-to-door bus service for senior citizens and people with disabilities, and shuttle services to community events. For additional information about Tri Delta Transit, please visit www.trideltatransit.com.

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