

# San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD)

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **RTD's 20<sup>th</sup> Annual "Stuff the Bus" Drive Collects over 24,000 Pounds of Food**

Stockton, CA)—San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) and its partners collected over 24,000 pounds of food—including 690 turkeys—at the 20th Annual Stuff the Bus food drive on November 16–18. Since 1999, RTD and its partners have raised over 339,000 pounds of food donations at Stuff the Bus events. This year, Stuff the Bus also collected coats for those in need—bringing in 150 coats.

The Boy Scouts of America, Community Medical Centers, and the Apex Aspire School participated in Stuff the Bus this year with their own food and coat drives. RTD also worked with local transit agencies, eTrans of Escalon and Manteca Transit, on a simultaneous food and coat drive that benefitted Escalon C.A.R.E and Second Harvest Food Bank.

RTD collected 15,000 pounds of food for the Stockton Emergency Food Bank, an increase over last year. Escalon eTrans collected 2,900 pounds of food for Escalon C.A.R.E and Manteca Transit collected 6,400 pounds of food for the Second Harvest Food Bank. Together, the food donations will provide over 19,000 meals!

Cumulus Broadcasting, The Record, Food 4 Less, Rancho San Miguel, and Mar Val Food Store sponsored the events. KWIN/KWNN (97.7/98.3) promoted the campaign with a live on-site broadcast, promotional appearances, on-air interviews, and public service announcements. The Record promoted the food drive with event advertising. RTD's very own Artie D. provided on-site entertainment and outreach. The Stockton Tigers softball team also volunteered their time to help promote the event on site.

RTD is proud to serve our community through the annual Stuff the Bus food drive and to lead a group of local agencies that, by working together, are able to help so many local residents in need this holiday season.

San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) is the regional transit provider for San Joaquin County. RTD's mission is to provide a safe, reliable, and efficient

transportation system for the region. For more information, visit [sjRTD.com](http://sjRTD.com), follow RTD on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), or call (209) 943-1111.

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