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RTD Offers Free Rides for Earth Day

Stockton, CA—On April 22, San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD) will celebrate Earth Day by offering free rides on all BRT Express, Local, and Hopper routes as an incentive to leave cars at home and take public transit. Earth Day is an annual day to promote clean living and a healthy, sustainable habitat for people and wildlife alike. Public transportation contributes to a cleaner earth by saving the United States 4.2 billion gallons of gasoline annually.

If 1,000 people gave up their cars and rode RTD on Earth Day, they would reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 23,472 pounds, which would be the equivalent of the carbon removed by a 12-acre forest—the size of 10 football fields, according to numbers calculated from epa.gov.

From being early adopters of zero-emissions technology, to investing in sustainable solar solutions for its energy use, RTD continues to celebrate Earth Day—everyday. RTD is committed to cleaner air, reduced traffic congestion, and a more sustainable future for riders and the communities served.

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 <u>sjRTD.com</u>, follow RTD on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u>, or call (209) 943-1111.

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