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RELEASE: LADOT Announces New DASH Pacoima Route Launching May 3rd

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The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) is excited to announce the launch of [DASH Pacoima](#). The new neighborhood circulator DASH will begin May 3, 2025. This new route will provide convenient and sustainable transportation for the Pacoima community, connecting residents to essential destinations such as grocery stores, schools, workplaces, parks, and major transit hubs, including Metro bus and rail lines and the existing DASH Panorama City route.

"With this brand new route, residents will now have access to a more reliable, cleaner and sustainable all-electric local bus service that also promotes greater access for all to visit the San Fernando Valley in the coming years," said Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass. "The new DASH Pacoima route represents our continued investments in the San Fernando Valley for healthy and climate resilient infrastructure."

DASH Pacoima was made possible through a partnership with Greening Together Collaborative and Pacoima Beautiful, underscoring a shared commitment to bringing cleaner, more efficient transportation options to the neighborhood. The route is part of a broader effort to improve transit access while promoting environmental sustainability in the region.

"This is an exciting moment for Pacoima and for LADOT," said LADOT General Manager Laura Rubio-Cornejo. "This new DASH route will provide a key connection to neighborhood amenities and our wider transportation network that is accessible and affordable. It is just one more example of our commitment to investing in our communities and ensuring that all Angelenos have access to safe and reliable transportation."

DASH Pacoima will be fully served by battery-electric buses, a major step toward reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving air quality in the neighborhood. A joint application to the Transformative Climate Communities (TCC) grant program funded the purchase of 14 battery-electric buses and the installation of new charging infrastructure at LADOT's North Region Bus Yard, ensuring that Pacoima residents benefit from a cleaner and greener transit option.

"The launch of DASH Pacoima is a huge step toward transportation equity for Arleta, Panorama City, and Pacoima. This all-electric route connects residents to where they need to go—schools, jobs, parks, and grocery stores—while cutting emissions and improving air quality in communities that have borne the brunt of pollution for far too long," said Councilmember Imelda Padilla (CD6). "I'm proud to support projects that prioritize both our planet and people. Thank you to Pacoima Beautiful, the Greening Together Collaborative and LADOT for making this happen. This partnership shows what's possible when local government and grassroots organizations come together to put community needs first. And with DASH Pacoima sharing the Van Nuys corridor with the future East San Fernando Valley Light Rail, we're laying the groundwork for a truly connected and sustainable future across the Valley."

Councilmember Monica Rodriguez (CD 7) added, "Closing the service gaps and expanding access to safe, reliable public transportation remains a priority, which is why I secured funding to deliver this second DASH route to our community with targeted stops near schools, and key destinations, to ensure residents—especially students, families



and seniors—have the convenience of an affordable transit system that prioritizes their needs in Pacoima.”

To celebrate the launch of the new DASH Pacoima route, rides will be free from May 3 through May 31. This fare-free period is intended to encourage the community to explore and embrace the new neighborhood transit option.

Route & Service Details

DASH Pacoima will offer bidirectional service, operating in both clockwise and counterclockwise directions, making it easier for riders to reach their destinations quickly and efficiently.

Frequency & Hours of Operation:

Weekdays: Every 30 minutes from 6:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Weekends: Every 30 minutes from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

No service on five major holidays

Affordability & Accessibility:

DASH remains one of the most affordable transit options in Los Angeles, with fares at just \$0.50 with cash and \$0.35 with a TAP Card.

All buses are ADA-compliant, featuring ramps, priority seating, and designated spaces for mobility devices to ensure accessibility for all riders.

Major destinations served by DASH Pacoima include:

Panorama Mall, Costco, Food 4 Less, Vallarta Supermarket, Arleta High School, Maclay Middle School, Pacoima Branch Library, Ritchie Valens Recreation Center, and Hansen Dam Recreation Area.

LADOT encourages residents to take advantage of DASH Pacoima's affordable, clean, and efficient service. As Los Angeles moves toward a more sustainable transportation future, DASH Pacoima represents a significant step in ensuring equitable access to transit while reducing the city's carbon footprint.

For more information about DASH Pacoima and other LADOT transit services, visit ladottransit.com

About LADOT

LADOT Transit is the operating division of the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation responsible for providing commuter buses, neighborhood circulator buses, on-demand first-mile/last-mile services, 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 28 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 vans, taxis, and discounted fares on conventional transit services.

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