



## City Expands Community Shuttle Service to All Adults

Local, state, and private sector leaders gathered at Chula Vista City Hall last month to announce an expansion of the City's Community Shuttle program to all adults in the City's Northwest area. Adults 18 to 54 years old are now invited to ride the Chula Vista Community Shuttle for just \$2 per trip, with those 55 years and older continuing to ride for free. Children may ride with an adult.



Riders can request door-to-door service via the [Circuit app](#) or by calling (646) 504-3733. The [service area](#) runs approximately from the Sweetwater River to the north, to the Bayfront to the west, to 805/Hilltop Drive to the east and L Street to the south. The shuttle operates Monday – Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Chula Vista Mayor John McCann encouraged community members to take advantage of the Community Shuttle's invaluable services. "It's important that community members use this wonderful amenity," McCann said. "This shuttle service expansion will be instrumental in the City's

innovative future, benefiting community members and our local economy."

Chula Vista Director of Housing and Homeless Services Stacey Kurz said the rideshare opportunities are a wonderful convenience for many people. "With the expansion, the Chula Vista Community Shuttle further builds on that opportunity by offering free, and now greatly discounted rides, for those needing to shop, attend doctor's visits or even enjoy a day on the town," said Kurz, whose department oversees the program.

The City also announced the launch of a marketing campaign at the news conference to inform the public of the greatly discounted service. From highlighting thriving

restaurants on downtown Third Avenue to grocery shopping options and healthcare visits, the City hopes to encourage more people to use the door-to-door service.

The City launched the shuttle service in 2022 to create a cleaner, more sustainable community. The shuttle service operates an all-electric powered fleet, including ADA-accessible vehicles.

About 50,000 riders have taken advantage of the program over the past two years, with an average of 2,500 riders each month. With the expansion to those younger than 55 years of age, the City hopes to generate enough revenue to continue operations well beyond the expiration of grant funding.

The program is funded by a \$1 million grant from the local nonprofit Community Congregational Development Corp. and a \$1.5 million grant from [Clean Mobility Options](#) (CMO).

CMO is part of [California Climate Investments](#), a statewide initiative that puts billions of Cap-and-Trade dollars to work reducing greenhouse gas emissions, strengthening the economy, and improving public health and the environment — particularly in underserved communities. It is also part of California Energy Commission's Clean Transportation Program, which is investing more than \$1 billion to accelerate the deployment of zero-emission transportation infrastructure and support in-state manufacturing and workforce training and development.

Circuit is a 100% electric, on-demand first- and last-mile microtransit service that helps riders connect to transit and make short-distance trips in their community. Circuit's goal is to make short-range transportation easier, greener, cheaper, and more accessible, and has operated locally in San Diego since 2016.