

Foothill Transit

CLASS PASS A STUDENT RIDER PROGRAM

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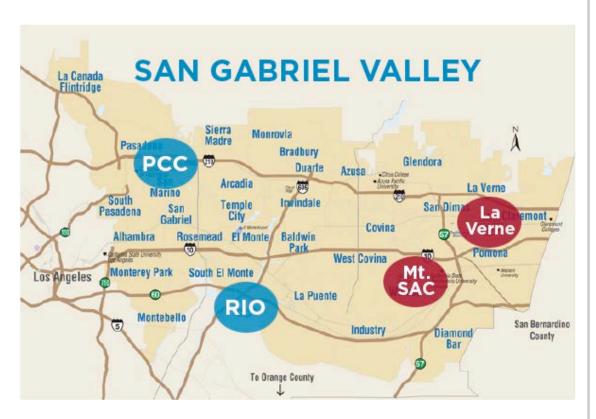
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ABOUT FOOTHILL TRANSIT

Foothill Fast Facts

- Buses in service: 330 (315 Compressed Natural Gas, 15 electric)
- Routes: 36 routes (local and express)
- Area served: 327 square miles of the San Gabriel and Pomona valleys
- Agency Ridership: ~ 14 million a year
- Annual Operating Budget: \$76.5 Million

FOOTHILL TRANSIT SERVICE AREA



Pasadena City College

Rio Hondo Community College

University of La Verne

Mt. San Antonio College

CLASS PASS BACKGROUND AND GOALS

Create a program to offer to all colleges we serve

Offer discounted board rate



Increase ridership

Create lifetime riders

CURRENT CLASS PASS SCHOOLS





University of La Verne

- Private University
- 6,000 students
- 2 lines serving campus

Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC)

- Largest single campus
 Community College in
 California
- 30,000 students
- 2 lines serving campus



PLANNING AND DISTRIBUTION

- What media will the pass be?
- How to prevent fraud as much as possible?
- How to distribute to students?
- What happens when a pass is lost?
- How can we accurately track ridership by school?



PLANNING

What media will the pass be?

- Student has ID with mag stripe (can't use)
- Foothill Transit has TAP enabled system
- Distribute a TAP card to each student

How to prevent fraud as much as possible?

- Need to link TAP card to student ID
 - Student drops classes
 - One card per student



IT TRACKING SYSTEM

Links student ID number and TAP card number

- Made process extremely quick
- Autoloads the next semester pass

What happens when a pass is lost?

- Report lost card at Foothill Transit Store
- \$10 for replacement pass

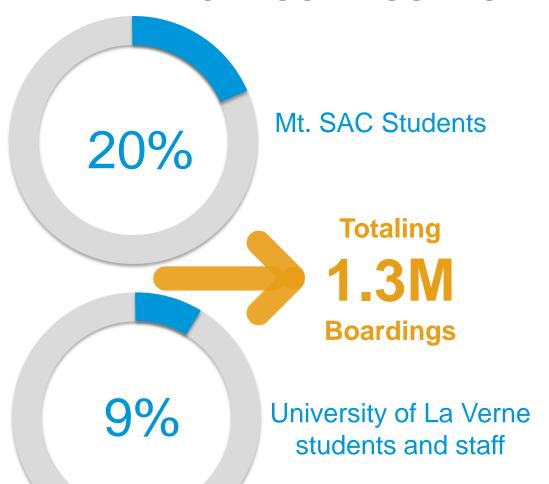
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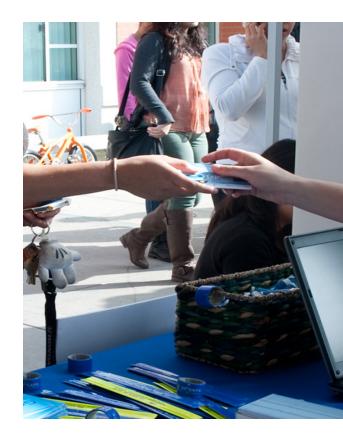
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Mt. SAC Class Passes

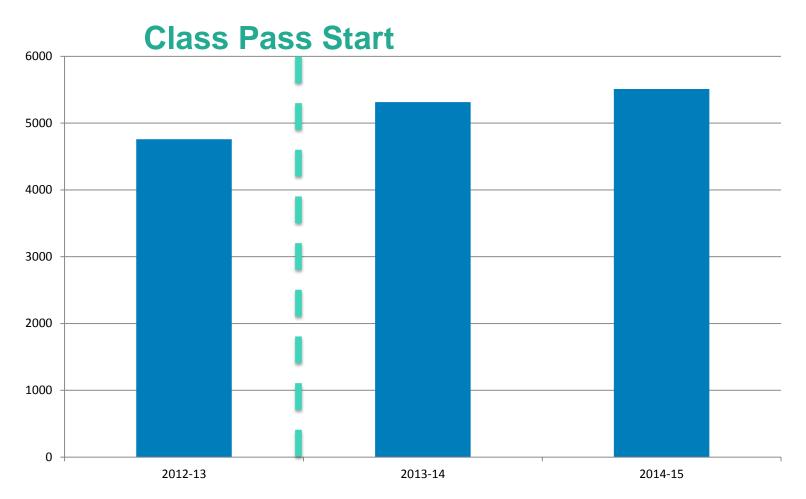


CLASS PASS DISTRIBUTION





CLASS PASS RIDERSHIP



≈ 1,500 boardings/alightings per day two lines serving six campus stops



Line 486



MARKETING





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FUNDING

Board Adopted \$0.60/boarding fee

- Charged to school by Foothill Transit

Schools then decide how to generate the funding

- Student fee (spread across all students)
- Per pass fee (discounted)
- Pay from general fund (mainly for private schools)

LESSONS LEARNED

- High level college administrative support important
- IT, Marketing and Student Service are important College departments that need to be involved
- College administration wants as little man hours required as possible

