



Transit Watch: Public Transit in Crisis



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Friends,

The California Transit Association today released its [*“Transit Is Essential: Recommendations for the Future of Transit”*](#) report.

California’s public transit agencies are facing an [existential crisis](#) caused by the COVID-19 pandemic that jeopardizes the economic, social, and physical well-being of the communities in which they operate.

Our report, which represents the culmination of two months of research, industry outreach, and discussion overseen by the Association’s COVID-19 Transit Crisis Relief Task Force, includes a series of recommendations for consideration by transit agencies and State and Federal lawmakers related to transit operations; technology; land use; and funding and policy. The recommendations seek to improve the safety, efficiency and viability of transit operations during the pandemic and aim to establish a more reliable and resilient public transportation network in the future that expands access to mobility and economic opportunity to all Californians.

In addition to sharing this report with transit agencies throughout California and with Federal and State lawmakers, the California Transit Association will commend the recommendations in the “Future of Transit” report to the American Public Transportation Association’s Mobility Recovery & Restoration Task Force as the best industry thinking from California, the state with the second highest transit ridership in the nation.

Visit the Association’s website for more information about our [“Future of Transit” report](#).

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