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**Tri Delta Transit Announces Participation in Nationwide Public Transportation Industry  
“Health and Safety Commitments” Program**

*Tri Delta Transit joins over 100 public transit agencies across the country in signing on to the Program.*

Antioch, CA, 09/23/2020 – Eastern Contra Costa Transit Authority (Tri Delta Transit) announced Wednesday that it has joined the American Public Transportation Association’s (APTA) “Health and Safety Commitments” Program, the public transportation industry’s overarching pledge to passengers that public transit systems are taking necessary measures to operate safely as the nation recovers from the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Program was developed after asking public transit users from across the country what measures would make them feel more confident riding public transportation amid concerns about COVID-19. Tri Delta Transit has pledged to implement those measures by creating specific procedures. A key component of the “Health and Safety Commitments” Program is the shared responsibility of our system *and* our riders to follow the guidelines. Riders rely on us to follow these commitments, and Tri Delta Transit relies on riders to protect themselves and other customers.

Tri Delta Transit is committed to continually addressing and implementing pillars of the Program. Current actions include:

- Installation of hand sanitizer dispensers on all fixed route and paratransit buses
- Installation of hand sanitizer dispensers throughout the Tri Delta Transit facility
- Installation of driver barriers which limit contact between drivers and passengers
- Complimentary mask distribution to passengers who do not have a face covering
- Updated cleaning procedures using electrostatic disinfectant sprayers
- Encouraging the use of contactless fare payment options such as Clipper
- Daily health screenings of all Tri Delta Transit staff and drivers
- Text-a-Tip line to report COVID-19 related concerns on the bus: 925-204-2503
- Providing up to date information about schedules, crowding, and alerts on TriDeltaTransit.com and the mobile application Transit
- Participation in Riding Together: Bay Area Healthy Transit Plan which includes reporting on safety benchmarks such as mask usage, ridership, and crowding

“Tri Delta Transit has been increasing safety measures since March, constantly evolving to meet the safety needs of passengers and the community. Be on the lookout for more updates and offerings from Tri Delta Transit aimed at ensuring a safe and healthy ride,” stated Maria Arce, Chief Communications Officer.

**ABOUT TRI DELTA TRANSIT** Tri Delta Transit provides over 2 million trips each year to a population of over 315,000 residents in the 225 square miles of Eastern Contra Costa County. They currently operate 15 local bus routes Monday – Friday, 5 local bus routes on weekends, door-to-door bus service for senior citizens and people with disabilities, on-demand rideshare services and shuttle services to community events. To learn more, visit [TriDeltaTransit.com](http://TriDeltaTransit.com)

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