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## LADOT TRANSIT INFORMATION NOW AVAILABLE ON GOOGLE MAPS

LOS ANGELES – The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) announced that riders of LADOT’s DASH and Commuter Express services now have the opportunity to use Google Maps to plan their trips or obtain schedule and route information. Effective December 1st, 2011, DASH and Commuter Express routing and scheduling information will be available to the public from the LADOT Transit website at [www.ladottransit.com](http://www.ladottransit.com) or by logging on to [www.google.com/transit](http://www.google.com/transit).

LADOT entered into the partnership with Google Transit to expand public awareness and use of LADOT’s Transit service program. “This exciting partnership with Google provides yet another tool for our passengers to quickly and effectively access LADOT Transit information. As the recognized world leader in internet searches and online informational resources, Google makes LADOT information more convenient and accessible, especially to new passengers and out of town visitors.” said Jaime de la Vega, LADOT general manager.

The transit feature of Google Maps service provides the following information:

- Suggested trips with next available departure and arrival times
- Ability to select desired departure or arrival time and date
- Estimated travel times
- Transfer times and locations
- Estimated walking distances
- Reverse trips
- Map of selected route
- Integration with driving directions, searches of nearby businesses and landmarks, Street View images, and Google’s live traffic information

Partnering with Google Transit is a part of LADOT’s continuing efforts to enhance its customer service. It will supplement the operations of LADOT’s Transit Store, located in the LA Mall as well as the route and schedule information already available at the LADOT Transit website [ladottransit.com](http://ladottransit.com). LADOT also launched a real time information system on its DASH Downtown Los Angeles routes last year that enables riders to access actual times that DASH buses will arrive at individual stops by phone, text or web at [dtdash.com](http://dtdash.com).

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The transit feature integrates with Google Maps, which is the largest mapping site in the world. With this feature, passengers will be able to utilize Street View to observe the actual bus stop locations and amenities as well as live traffic information when planning trips. Google Maps is multi-modal, displaying Metro and other agency route information. Transit directions through Google Maps are available in hundreds of cities worldwide, supports over 40 languages, and is compatible with screen readers for the visually impaired.

LADOT is the second largest provider of transit services in Los Angeles County, carrying more than 30,000,000 annual passengers with a fleet of more than 350 vehicles. For further information about LADOT Transit services or trip planning on Google Transit, riders can call the LADOT Transit Store at (213, 310, 323, 818) 808-2273 or visit [www.ladottransit.com](http://www.ladottransit.com). For more information about the Los Angeles Department of Transportation, please visit [www.ladot.lacity.org](http://www.ladot.lacity.org).