



## News Release

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### **San Luis Obispo Transit (SLO Transit) to Offer Training for New Senior and Disabled Bus Passengers Wishing to Become More Mobile**

San Luis Obispo Transit, in conjunction with Ridership Development Consultants (RDC) will be offering training and assistance for senior and disabled members of the community wishing to learn to become more mobile through the regular use of public transportation. This training will be offered, without any cost beyond the rider's bus fare, throughout the community under a two-year grant from Caltrans using Federal Transit Administration (FTA) mobility enhancement funds. Along with interested new riders, SLO Transit and its consultant, Fred Munroe of RDC, are also looking for members of the community interested in becoming volunteer peer instructors in order to offer this training and assistance to all interested current and potential transit riders. Many community and senior citizen organizations have already express interest in participating to insure the success of this training program.

“Many people are beginning to use public transportation in San Luis Obispo for the first time in their lives. These new transit riders can, sometimes, find the logistics of the routes, schedules, and fares to seem like almost a foreign language;” according to Munroe. “Our goal is to make sure everyone wishing to use SLO Transit and bus services throughout the region, has the tools and assistance they need to remain mobile and active.”

Along with people interested in taking this training, volunteers to assist with outreach and peer instruction with this project are also encouraged to participate. Anyone interested in participating in this training can contact Fred Munroe at 1-888-333-0661 or email him at [Fred@RiderShipDevelopment.com](mailto:Fred@RiderShipDevelopment.com).

Further information is also available from the City of San Luis Obispo Transit Manager, John Webster, at 805-781-7121 or via email at [JWebster@Slocity.org](mailto:JWebster@Slocity.org).

