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Metro in the Community

Make sure to come see your friends at Metro at several events this month:

- July 11: [Springfield "Touch-a-Truck"](#)
- July 25-27: [Greater Anderson Days](#)

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Uptown Transit District

Metro connects people with jobs



Watch Metro's new public service announcement.

When we go Metro, we all go forward. Cincinnati Mayor John Cranley, SORTA Chair Jason Dunn and Metro CEO Terry Garcia Crews speak in this public service announcement about Cincinnati Metro.

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The official grand opening will take place later in July, but you can already see and use the new Uptown Transit District shelters. Metro is working on the finishing touches of adding ticket-vending machines and real-time display information to the shelters to make your ride with Metro more convenient. For a map showing locations of the new Uptown shelters and additional information on the Uptown Transit District, click [here](#).



July 4th Holiday

Metro buses will operate on a holiday schedule on Friday, July 4, in observation of the Independence Day holiday. Metro's administrative offices, call center, and sales office will be closed. Access specialized service for people with disabilities will also operate on a holiday schedule on July 4.

For more information,



Metro operators receive "Two Million Mile" award from the National Safety Council

Two Metro operators received awards from the National Safety Council for driving two million miles each without an accident. One of the award-winners is the first woman at Metro to receive this national honor. In the last 40 years, about 60 Metro bus operators have earned the achievement of being inducted into the "Two Million Mile Club."

Deborah Wells, a Roselawn resident, is the first woman at Metro to be inducted into the National Safety Council's prestigious "Two Million Mile Club." She has been a Metro driver for 38 years. Wells was honored at the SORTA Board meeting on June 17.

Dale Knapp, a New Richmond resident, was also inducted into the National Safety Council's "Two Million Mile Club." He has been a Metro bus operator for 33 years. Knapp, and more than 100 bus operators and mechanics, were recognized for their successful safety records at Metro's annual Safety Award Luncheon on June 4.

[Read more](#) about this exciting award.



Not as wild as The Beast, but the Rt. 72 is still a great ride.

Ride Metro's Kings Island Direct to work or play for a reduced fare of \$2.25 each way.

Take Rt. 72 to Kings Island this summer

visit our [website](#) or call Metro at [513-621-4455](tel:513-621-4455) weekdays, 6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Metro celebrates "Dump the Pump" in June



In June, Metro celebrated "Dump the Pump" with events at several Park & Rides and Government Square.

2014 Calendar Images



July calendar images available [here](#).

We're hiring!

It's summer time in Cincinnati and you know what that means... time to head to Kings Island for some thrilling fun in the sun! Be sure to hop on Metro's [Rt. 72](#) and ride to Kings Island for a reduced fare through the summer of only \$2.25 each way!

This reduced fare is made possible thanks to federal Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) grant funding awarded through the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments. This seasonal service will operate every day through Aug. 24. Rt. 72 will operate on weekends only in September and October.

Learning Through Art, Inc.

Don't just learn...experience!



Attend Macy's "Kids, Cultures, Critters and Crafts" Festival on July 16

Metro is partnering with Learning Through Art, Inc. to provide reduced fare on [Rt. 46 Avondale](#) for the Macy's Kids, Cultures, Critters and Crafts Festival at the Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden. On Wednesday, July 16, **all rides on the Rt. 46 only will be \$0.50 each way** (\$1 round trip) during the Festival, which runs from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Musicians Sylvain Acher and Paul Patterson will perform on one complete round trip starting at 10 a.m.

This year Learning Through Art and Cincinnati Children's Hospital have partnered to create the Cincinnati Children's Kids Wellness Zone, bringing hands-on interactive activities for kids of all ages. In addition, NASA will have an Exploration Station, Inflatable Astronaut Suit, and Outer Space photo booth.

For more information, call [513-242-6028](tel:513-242-6028) or visit www.learningthroughart.com.



Join Metro's team! We are now seeking applicants for several positions. Click [here](#) for additional information.



**Reminder:
You could Drop It In
and Win a free
Metro Pass**

Want to make your 30-day rolling pass, stored-value card or 1-ride ticket go even further? Metro's green contest's next drawing is the first day of each month all year.

On the first weekday of each month, we'll draw 5 lucky winners out of the hopper located in the Metro Sales Office and they'll win a duplicate of whatever they dropped in. For more information and a complete list of rules click [here](#).



There are a lot of orange cones and cranes in Downtown Cincinnati and this is a sure sign of growth, but they may also create frustration for downtown commuters. Construction continues to impact traffic and work on new streets in downtown are being affected. The city of Cincinnati has created a [website](#) to help you understand the areas of improvement during this construction period.

You can also follow Metro's [Twitter](#) page and [detour's blog](#) to stay up-to-date on bus detours in and around Greater Cincinnati. The construction may be an inconvenience now, but the outcome is progress for Cincinnati.

Visit Metro's [website](#) for more information.



Rt. 28 - East End-Milford

Metro's [Rt. 28](#) is your ride through the East Side of Cincinnati. Running from Milford to downtown, through the communities of Terrace Park, Plainville, Mariemont, Fairfax, Linwood, Columbia-Tusculum and East End.

Board Rt. 28 at Government Square Area F. This is your connection point to routes all over Greater Cincinnati. From Government Square, you'll head down to E. Pete Rose Way where

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you'll pass Great American Ballpark, Sawyer Point, and Theodore M. Berry International Friendship Park. From there, the route follows Riverside Drive through the East End Business District. In Columbia Tusculum, the route jogs over to Eastern Ave at Delta Ave. This is your connection point for Rts. [25X](#), [29X](#), [30X](#) and [81X](#).

Continuing on Eastern Ave, Rt. 28 goes near Lunken Airport and travels through the Linwood Business District. Connect to [Rt. 24](#) in Linwood at Beechmont Ave. From here, the route crosses the Zone 2 boundary at Red Bank Rd. Weekend service ends in Fairfax at Dragon Way, across the street from Frisch's Mainliner.

On weekdays, the Rt. 28 continues east through the Historic Mariemont Village Center. Connect to [Rt. 11](#) here, with a four block walk up Plainville Rd to Bramble Ave. After leaving Mariemont, we continue down scenic US 50 through Plainville, Avoca Park, Kroger Hills Reserve, and Terrace Park before reaching the Zone 3 boundary at Milford.

In Milford, Rt 28 travels right down Main Street past shops and restaurants. After leaving the historic city center, the route continues up Main Street until it reaches Mohawk Trail. The route ends at the Milford Shopping Center on Lila Ave and Mohawk Trail.

Route 28 is a great choice for all things East Side!



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