



## For Immediate Release

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## The Bus to hold public hearings

**Merced** – The Merced County Association of Governments’ Social Services Transportation Advisory Council and the Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County are holding public forums to seek input from residents and discuss the future of transit service in the region.

Six public hearings are scheduled throughout the region to receive testimony from community residents on unmet transit needs that may exist in Merced County. These hearings are part of the ongoing commitment to improve the overall transit system and provide efficient service to the greatest number of people in Merced County. The public hearings are scheduled as follows:

<b>City of Atwater</b> April 4, 2017 3:00pm AND 6:00pm Atwater Council Chambers 750 Bellevue Road, Atwater	<b>City of Merced</b> April 6, 2017 3:00pm AND 6:00pm Merced Council Chambers 678 W 18 <sup>th</sup> Street, Merced	<b>City of Los Banos</b> April 10, 2017 3:00pm AND 6:00pm Los Banos Community Center 645 7 <sup>th</sup> Street, Los Banos
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Residents who are unable to attend a hearing, but would like to provide comments, may contact: Natalia Austin at 209.723.3153 ext. 319 or email [natalia.austin@mcagov.org](mailto:natalia.austin@mcagov.org) by April 10<sup>th</sup>.

The Bus will provide free fixed route transit service to members of the community who are interested in attending a public hearing. For members of the community who are ADA eligible, transportation can be arranged by reservation by calling (209) 384-3111. Spanish translation services will be available at each hearing. For additional language accommodations, contact TJPA staff at (209) 723-3100.

The Bus is the single public transportation service provider for all of Merced County and is administered by the Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County and managed by the Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG). For more information, please visit [www.mercedthebus.com](http://www.mercedthebus.com) and [www.mcagov.org](http://www.mcagov.org).

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