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**The Bus to provide free fare to the fair**

**MERCED** - The Bus invites members of the community to spare the air and let the bus take you to the Merced County Fair! From Wednesday, June 8 through Sunday, June 12, 2016 service is FREE on all bus routes throughout the countywide service area. The Bus will also offer a free fair shuttle between the Merced Transportation Center (710 W. 16<sup>th</sup> street) and the fairgrounds every 15-30 minutes. Riders can also purchase fair tickets on the shuttle for only \$5 (must have exact amount as drivers do not carry cash and cannot make change). View the free fair shuttle map [here](#).

Red Shuttle	Green Shuttle	Blue Shuttle
<p>Operates Wednesday to Friday 4:45pm – 9:15pm Last bus leaves fair at 9:00pm</p>	<p>Operates Wednesday to Friday 9:15pm – 12:15am Last bus leaves fair at 12:00am</p> <p>Operates Saturday and Sunday 2:45pm – 12:15am Last bus leaves fair at 12:00am</p>	<p>Operates Wednesday to Friday 9:15pm – 12:15am Last bus leaves fair at 12:00am</p> <p>Operates Saturday and Sunday 2:45pm – 10:30pm Last bus leaves fair at 10:15pm</p>

At the fair, be sure to visit The Bus booth and pledge to “Dump the Pump” and ride the bus on June 16, 2016. While you are there you can also enter to win a FREE bicycle by trying out the bike rack, and learn about changes to the routes and schedules that will be in effect August 1, 2016.

The Bus schedules and hours of operation can be found at [www.mercedthebus.com](http://www.mercedthebus.com) or by calling The Bus at (209)723-3100. Real-time information regarding bus locations, services and arrival times can be found at [www.thebuslive.com](http://www.thebuslive.com). All buses are equipped with bike racks and are wheelchair accessible.

*The Bus is the single public transportation service provider for all of Merced County. It is administered by the Transit Joint Powers Authority for Merced County and managed by the Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG).*