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MCT ANNOUNCES UPCOMING FEBRUARY SERVICE CHANGE
Service Change to Take Place February 5, 2017

GRANITE CITY, ILL., January 11, 2017… With employment opportunities growing at distribution centers in the IL-111 corridor, Madison County Transit (MCT) will improve service to both Gateway and Lakeview Commerce Centers at its upcoming service change on February 5. MCT will also make changes to trips on all three MCT Express routes in response to ridership decreases, due in large part to low fuel prices. Details of the changes are listed below.

IL-111 Corridor Enhancement
- #6 Roxana – Pontoon Beach: Double the frequency on weekdays to every 30 minutes, (60 minute on weekends) creating direct service from Wood River and Roxana to Lakeview Commerce Center. The #6 will not serve Gateway Commerce Center directly, but timed transfers to Gateway are available via the #20 Granite City-Pontoon Beach Shuttle at the Liberty & Chain of Rocks Transfer Point.
- #20 Granite City-Pontoon Beach Shuttle: Service to Gateway Commerce Center increased on the weekends to every 60 minutes, (30 minutes on the weekdays). Timed transfers to Lakeview available via the #6 at Liberty & Chain of Rocks.
- The temporary Lakeview Shuttle will be discontinued as the #6 will cover its route entirely.

MCT Express Reduction
In addition to the removal of trips as described below, MCT will also re-balance the schedules on these routes.
- #1X Riverbend Express: One morning and one afternoon trip will be eliminated. 8 morning and 10 afternoon trips remain.
- #14X Highland Express: Two morning and three afternoon trips will be eliminated. 10 morning and 10 afternoon trips remain.
- #16X Edwardsville Express: Two morning trips will be eliminated. 7 morning and 9 afternoon remain.

Also effective February 5, minor schedule changes will be made to the #1 Riverbend, the #6, the #12 Bethalto Shuttle, #17 Edwardsville-SIUE Shuttle, the #19 Edwardsville-Collinsville and the #20. Passengers are advised to consult an updated timetable, dated February 5 to verify trip times.

"We are pleased to improve bus service where there is growing demand and create greater access to jobs for our residents," said MCT Managing Director Jerry Kane. For more details regarding the service change, visit www.mct.org, call 618-797-INFO (4636) or e-mail info@mct.org.

Madison County Transit (MCT) provides multi-modal transportation services for Madison County, Illinois. MCT operates a fixed-route bus service, connecting to MetroLink; express weekday commuter service directly to and from downtown St. Louis; and seasonal express service to the Muny. For elderly and disabled residents who are unable to use the fixed-route buses, MCT provides complementary door to door service. MCT is also responsible for the construction and maintenance of more than 130 miles of bikeways in the MCT Trails system, as well as overseeing RideFinders, the St. Louis region’s FREE carpooling and vanpooling program.

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