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MCT OFFERS FREE RIDES TO COVID-19 VACCINATION SITES

GRANITE CITY, ILL., MARCH 3, 2021 . . . As vaccination efforts ramp up throughout the region, Madison County Transit (MCT) is helping provide vital transportation to vaccination sites throughout the county by offering free rides on fixed-route buses serving those sites and paratransit trips for registered elderly and disabled passengers.

In Alton for instance, MCT is offering free rides on the #1 Riverbend and #9 Washington Shuttle serving the LaMay's Catering vaccination site on Broadway each Monday in March between March 1 through March 22 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Runabout paratransit trips to this location will also be free on those days for registered passengers who report that they are traveling to a vaccination site when booking their trip. The #9 Washington Shuttle will be rerouted slightly on the Mondays that it serves the LaMay's Catering site.

"On behalf of MCT, we're proud to work with the Madison County Health Department, and civic and faith-based organizations to bring Madison County residents to vaccination sites. This coordination represents another example of public bodies and organizations working together to defeat the pandemic," said MCT Managing Director SJ Morrison.

As vaccination efforts throughout Madison County increase, MCT is prepared to continue helping meet transportation needs. For more information call 618-797-INFO (4636), email info@mct.org, or visit www.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 that comprise the MCT Trails system, as well as overseeing RideFinders, the St. Louis region's FREE carpooling and vanpooling program.

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