



NEWS RELEASE

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SUPERIOR COURT OF
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Hon. Raymond L. Haight III
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NEW BUS LINE TO ENHANCE NEEDLES RESIDENTS' ACCESS TO THE BARSTOW AND VICTORVILLE COURTHOUSES OF THE SAN BERNARDINO SUPERIOR COURT

Beginning June 17, 2016, Victor Valley Transit Authority (VVTA) will offer bus service on Fridays via VVTA Route 200 Needles Link from Needles to Barstow and Victorville. The bus service, which will allow Needles residents to attend Friday court hearings at the Barstow and Victorville courthouses and provide Needles residents with much needed access to court and community services outside of Needles, is the result of collaboration between the San Bernardino Superior Court, VVTA, and San Bernardino County 1st District Supervisor Robert Lovingood. This collaboration is also part of the Court's ongoing effort to restore services that were reduced over the last several years during challenging budgetary times.

VVTA Route 200 will make one round-trip each Friday, departing from Needles and traveling to Barstow and Victorville in the morning and returning from Victorville to Barstow and then Needles in the afternoon. While reservations are not required to board the bus at the scheduled Needles bus stop, they are required for curb-to-curb service, which is available to those who would like to arrange to be picked up at locations within Needles city limits. Reservations are recommended and available to all who would like to hold a seat and may be made beginning two weeks prior to, but no later than the day before, the date of service by calling 760-948-3030. Service is first come, first served. The cost of the bus service will be \$12 each way (\$24 round-trip) with half-price fares available for veterans, seniors, individuals with disabilities, and individuals who receive Medicare benefits.

Friday Morning Travel from Needles to Barstow and Victorville

City	Bus Stop Location	Time
Needles	Curb-to-curb pick up (advance reservation required)	Between 5:45 a.m. and 6:15 a.m.
Needles	El Garces Hotel bus stop, 149 G St. between Front St. and West Broadway St.	6:15 a.m.
Barstow	Barstow Public Library , 304 East Buena Vista St. (about a quarter of a mile north of the Barstow Courthouse, 235 East Mountain View St.)	9:30 a.m.
Victorville	Victorville Courthouse , 14455 Civic Dr.	10:15 a.m.
Victorville	Costco , 14555 Valley Center Dr.	10:30 a.m.

Friday Afternoon Return Travel from Barstow and Victorville to Needles

City	Bus Stop Location	Time
Victorville	Costco , 14555 Valley Center Dr.	2:30 p.m.
Victorville	Victorville Courthouse , 14455 Civic Dr.	2:45 p.m.
Barstow	Barstow Public Library , 304 East Buena Vista St. (about a quarter of a mile north of the Barstow Courthouse, 235 East Mountain View St.)	4:00 p.m.
Needles	El Garces Hotel bus stop, 149 G St. between Front St. and West Broadway St.	7:15 p.m.
Needles	Curb-to-curb drop off (advance reservation required)	Between 7:15 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.

To have their matters heard on a Friday, Needles residents must schedule their court dates in advance. Needles residents that wish to appear for traffic and non-traffic infractions, which are heard at the Barstow courthouse, should go online at <http://www.sb-court.org/Divisions/Traffic/createaCourtDate.aspx> or call 760-718-3700 to schedule a court date. Needles residents that wish to appear for misdemeanor matters, which are heard at the Victorville courthouse, should call 760-245-6215 to schedule a court date.

The Court continues to work to improve access to services in the Needles area. In the near future, as VVTA Route 200 proves useful in assisting Needles residents to attend their hearings, the Court will explore the possibility of moving Needles residents' hearings for other case types, including small claims and landlord tenant, from the Joshua Tree courthouse to the Barstow courthouse.

"The Court is committed to addressing the impact of reductions to services that took place during a time of dire budget constraints, so we are pleased to improve Needles residents' access to court services by rearranging our hearing calendars to coincide with VVTA's new bus route," said Presiding Judge, Judge Raymond L. Haight III.

For more information about the VVTA bus services, including VVTA Route 200 from Needles to Barstow and Victorville, please contact VVTA Routing and Scheduling at 760-948-3030. For more information about the Court's coordination of services in the Barstow and Victorville Districts, please contact Dennis Smith, Risk and Safety Administrator, at 909-708-8746.

NEEDLES LINK

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LIFELINE ROUTE

LIFELINE SERVICE



EFFECTIVE: JUNE 17, 2016

EL GARCES, BARSTOW LIBRARY, VICTORVILLE TRANSFER POINT, COURT HOUSE

FRIDAY	NEEDLES - BARSTOW - VICTORVILLE				INBOUND	VICTORVILLE - BARSTOW - NEEDLES			
	1	2	3	4		4	3	2	1
	Needles G Street	Barstow Library	Victorville Court House	Victorville Transfer Point	Victorville Transfer Point	Victorville Court House	Barstow Library	Needles G Street	
	6:15	9:30	10:15	10:30	2:30	2:45	4:00	7:15	

ROUTE 200 NEEDLES LINK	SDM	REGULAR
	VETERAN	
NEEDLES <-> VICTORVILLE	\$6.00	\$12.00
CHILDREN	FREE	FREE

SDM: Senior / Disabled / Medicare: All require identification. Seniors 60 and over.
VETERAN: Military veteran identification required. **CHILDREN:** Children 5 & Under (3 children maximum per adult fare; additional children must pay adult fare).

VVTA Route 200 Needles Link seating is limited. Reservations are recommended and may be scheduled from two weeks in advance to the day prior to service before 5 p.m. Needles residents may reserve curb-to-curb pick up and drop off service. A Ludlow restroom stop is available by request only. Needles Link fare media may be used as fare on VVTA and Barstow Fixed Route and County Route buses on the same day of purchase at no additional charge. Connecting service to San Bernardino is available via VVTA Route 15 B-V Link at Victorville Transfer Point for an additional fare. Carry-ons are limited to two packages. Dimensions are limited to 22 X 9 X 14 inches and must remain in passenger lap or under seat.