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DASH Launches Automated Bus Lane and Bus Stop Enforcement

New program to improve road safety, bus service reliability, and accessibility of LADOT's DASH service

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Beginning November 2, 2026, the Los Angeles Department of Transportation will begin automated enforcement of vehicles parked illegally in bus lanes and bus stops with camera technology installed on DASH Transit buses. For the first 60 days of the program, warning notices will be issued by mail to the registered vehicle owners of vehicles illegally parked in bus lanes and bus stops. Paid tickets will be issued starting January 2, 2027.

"As Mayor, my focus remains on building a transit system that Angelenos deserve and demonstrating that Los Angeles can operate an effective, world-class transit system," said Mayor Bass. "By leveraging this new technology, we're ensuring that buses arrive on time, are accessible to everyone, and connect communities to opportunities."

"This program marks another step forward in our commitment to providing Angelenos with safe and efficient transit services. Keeping bus lanes and bus stops clear of illegally parked vehicles is essential to ensuring that DASH buses are on-time and accessible for the people who rely on our service." said LADOT General Manager Laura Rubio-Cornejo. "When cars and trucks illegally park in front of bus stops, DASH bus operators are unable to safely deploy wheelchair access ramps, and are delayed by maneuvering into general traffic which slows down service and makes traffic worse for all road users."

Under the new program, two forward-facing cameras mounted behind the windshields of DASH buses will automatically detect and record instances of illegally parked vehicles obstructing bus lanes and bus stops. LADOT personnel review all potential parking violations before citations are issued. Payment plans are available to persons with low incomes. Information about payment support programs is available online.

LADOT DASH joins Los Angeles Metro, the City of Santa Monica Big Blue Bus, and Culver City Bus in enforcing bus lane and bus stop parking violations with bus-mounted camera technology. In Santa Monica, this technology has reduced bus lane parking violations by 52% and bus stop parking violations by 40% in March 2026 than in August 2025, the program's first full month of issuing unpaid warning notices.

New York City, Washington DC, Philadelphia, the East Bay of the San Francisco Bay Area, and Sacramento also use bus-mounted camera technology to enforce parking violations that obstruct buses. In New York City, this technology has increased bus speeds by up to 36% on some congested road segments, and 91% of violators have not received a second ticket.

For information regarding the program, visit LADOT Transit's website.

About LADOT

The Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) leads transportation planning, project delivery, and operations across the City of Los Angeles. LADOT's vision is for all people in Los Angeles to have access to safe and affordable

transportation choices that treat everyone with dignity and support vibrant, inclusive communities. For more information, visit ladot.lacity.gov.

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About LADOT Transit

LADOT Transit is the operating division of the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation responsible for providing commuter buses, neighborhood circulator buses, on-demand first-mile/last-mile services and accessible transportation for seniors and the disabled. LADOT Transit is the largest operator of municipal transit services in Los Angeles County providing over 20 million trips to those who visit, live or work in Los Angeles.

LADOT Transit's Commuter Express program offers point-to-point workday bus service, from the San Fernando Valley, Thousand Oaks, Calabasas, the Beach Cities, El Segundo and the Westside to Downtown Los Angeles; from Downtown to El Segundo as well as between Pasadena, Glendale and Burbank, San Pedro and Long Beach and from the San Fernando Valley to the Westside and South Bay.

DASH neighborhood circulator bus services operate in Downtown Los Angeles and 28 other neighborhoods in the City of Los Angeles.

LAnow is an on-demand, shared-ride first and last mile pilot service operated by LADOT Transit in the communities of Del Rey, Mar Vista, Venice Beach and Palms.

Cityride is the largest voluntary paratransit program of its kind in the nation, offering essential transportation services to seniors and the mobility challenged with dial-a-ride vans, taxis and discounted fares on conventional transit services.

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