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NEWS RELEASE

Sun Metro Adjusting Discounted Fares

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Standard Bus Fare of \$1.50 Will Remain Unchanged

EL PASO, Texas — Effective October 1, 2022, a discounted fare offered by Sun Metro will increase by 20 cents for the first time in more than 25 years.

The new discounted bus fare for seniors and people with disabilities will be 50 cents. The standard bus fare is \$1.50, and it will remain unchanged.

The new 50-cent fare will also apply to LIFT customers if they choose to ride Sun Metro's Fixed Route. Previously, there was no charge to LIFT customers for riding the Fixed Route service. LIFT fare for LIFT service will remain at \$2.50 per trip.

A 30-day grace period will be implemented to allow Sun Metro to inform riders about the fare modification for the senior and disabled discount. The fare modification is part of Sun Metro's Strategic Recovery Plan.

"Sun Metro hasn't modified its discounted fares for seniors and people with disabilities in more than two decades. This means reduced fares have not been keeping pace with rising operational costs, which has hindered public transit service. This fare modification, while an increase, remains substantially lower than our standard fare, which will allow Sun Metro to protect our most vulnerable populations while also working to address the public transit service demands," said Ellen Smyth, City of El Paso Chief Transit Operations Officer.

Sun Metro customers may visit www.SunMetro.net or call the Customer Service Center at (915) 212-3333 during regular business hours to learn more.

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