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Sun Metro to Offer Free Rides on June 20 for National Dump the Pump Day

EL PASO, Texas—Sun Metro will be offering free rides all day on Thursday, June 20, 2024, in observance of National Dump the Pump Day.

Originally sponsored by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA), the third Thursday in June is known as Dump the Pump Day, and it encourages people to save money on fuel by riding public transportation instead of driving.

“We invite everyone who has never tried Sun Metro to take advantage of the free rides and give public transportation a try. Our system can take residents where they need to go,” said Sun Metro Director Anthony DeKeyzer.

“Annually, we provide more than 5.5 million rides all while continuously working to make the system more efficient to provide a better customer experience.”

Dump the Pump Day began in 2006, when gas prices were at record highs, and emphasizes that public transportation is a great travel option that also helps people save money.

According to the American Public Transportation Association, individuals can save more than \$13,000 per year by using public transit instead of driving. In addition, by choosing public transportation, individuals not only save money but also contribute to a cleaner environment and reduce traffic congestion.

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