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## **SKYLINE COLLEGE AWARDED TWO-YEAR GRANT TO PROVIDE FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE FOR STUDENTS**

**San Bruno, California – July 10, 2018** – Skyline College was awarded a second two-year grant to continue its free non-stop, round trip shuttle service between the Daly City BART station and the campus in San Bruno, thanks to the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) and the City and County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG). These organizations approved the grant submitted by the San Mateo County Community College District for Skyline College in response to the San Mateo County Shuttle Program Call for Projects at their May board meetings.

The “Skyline College Express” shuttle service will continue operation for summer session and resume again August 2018, for the start of fall semester classes on August 15, 2018. The shuttle runs every hour from 7:25 a.m. to 6:44 p.m., Mondays to Thursdays for the summer session and Mondays to Fridays for the fall semester. The two 28-person shuttles during peak hours and one 28-person shuttle during non-peak hours are open to students, faculty and staff as well as community members who utilize the services available on campus such as [SparkPoint](#), the Library and Veterans Resource Center. Those who come to campus to attend performing arts, athletics, guest lectures or other college events can also use this convenient service.

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“We are thrilled to be able to continue this free service for students and the community. Potential students who otherwise had no means of transportation to attend college now have access to world-class educational opportunities,” said Skyline College president, Regina Stanback Stroud, Ed.D.

Since the start of service the shuttle has consistently seen ridership of over 6,000 rides per month, the second highest in the county, behind the Stanford campus shuttle. Initial discussions on the project began in 2013 at the first annual [Success Summit](#) hosted by the [President’s Council](#) where a breakout session entitled, “The Last Mile” spurred much enthusiasm. This discussion demonstrated a clear need for a solution to the problem of transportation to and from campus from major transit hubs.

“This shuttle is a great example of how the Success Summit identifies issues within the north county and works to solve them,” said Stanback Stroud.

The shuttle program assists students in getting to campus in a timely fashion at no cost, helping to mitigate socio-economic barriers to education and decrease commute times. A solution to a common transportation challenge, the free shuttle allows students access to over 100 degrees and certificates, for only \$46 per unit to achieve their educational goals.

“Skyline College prides itself in fostering a culture of sustainability. This shuttle will allow us to further that goal, by reducing the campus carbon footprint, single occupancy vehicles and vehicle miles travelled.” said Eloisa Briones, Vice President of Administrative Services.

To learn more about Skyline College, please visit [skylinecollege.edu](http://skylinecollege.edu).

Links included:

- SparkPoint: <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/sparkpoint/>
- Success Summit: <https://skylinesuccesssummit.com/>
- President’s Council: <http://www.skylinecollege.edu/presidentscouncil/index.php>
- Skyline College: <http://skylinecollege.edu/index.php>

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***Skyline College*** is an accredited, comprehensive California community college serving more than 16,000 students annually, offering 100 Associate Degree and Certificate programs. Located on a 111-acre campus overlooking the Pacific Ocean, Skyline College has offered world-class educational opportunities to residents from North San Mateo County and beyond since 1969. Part of the San Mateo Community College District, Skyline College strives to inspire a global and diverse community of learners to achieve intellectual, cultural, social, economic and personal fulfillment.

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