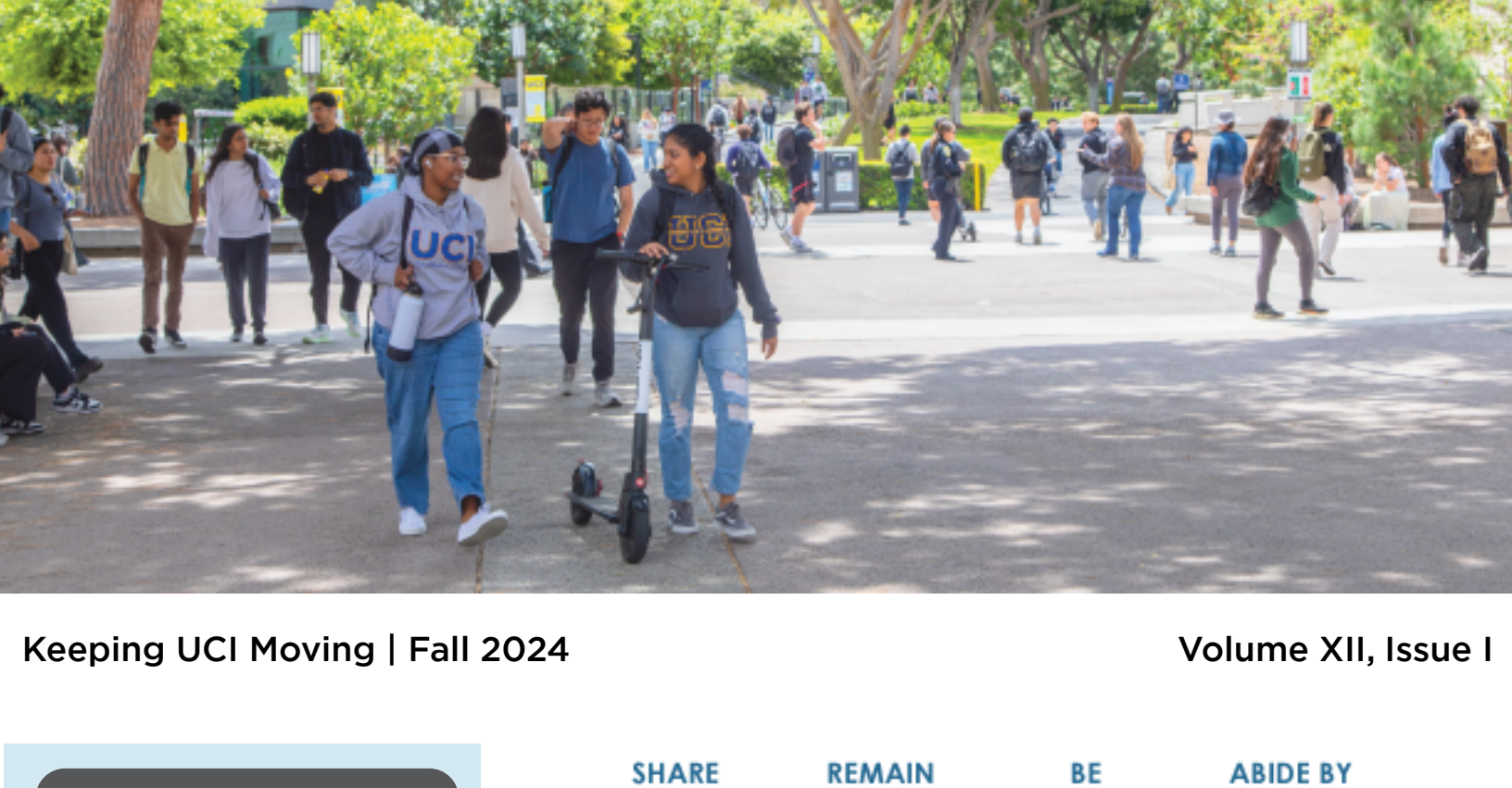


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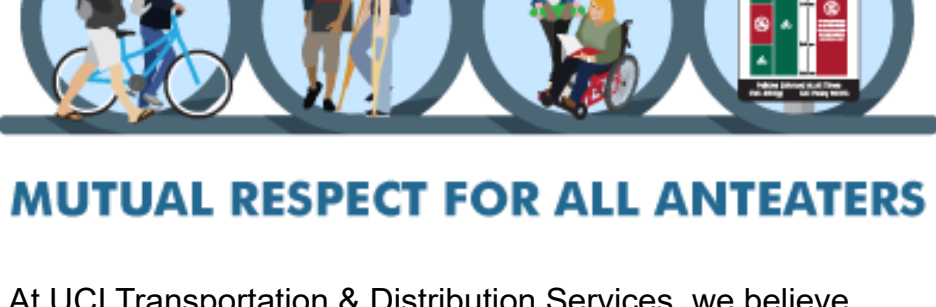
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MUTUAL RESPECT FOR ALL ANTEATERS

At UCI Transportation & Distribution Services, we believe mutual respect is essential for creating a safe environment for everyone. Whether walking, biking, or driving, please use designated pathways and obey all signage. When riding your bike or scooter, always travel on the right side of the road with traffic, wear your helmet, and use lights for added safety. [Skateboards, skate devices, and electric scooters](#) may be ridden to campus; however, once you have entered campus core, these devices must be walked or secured to a [designated bike rack or skateboard locking hub](#).

As a reminder, Ring Mall is a [Dismount Zone](#) from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, where all Anteaters are required to walk their devices to keep pedestrian traffic flowing smoothly and safely. Together, we share the responsibility for maintaining a safe and respectful campus.

TRANSPORTATION CONNECTIVITY

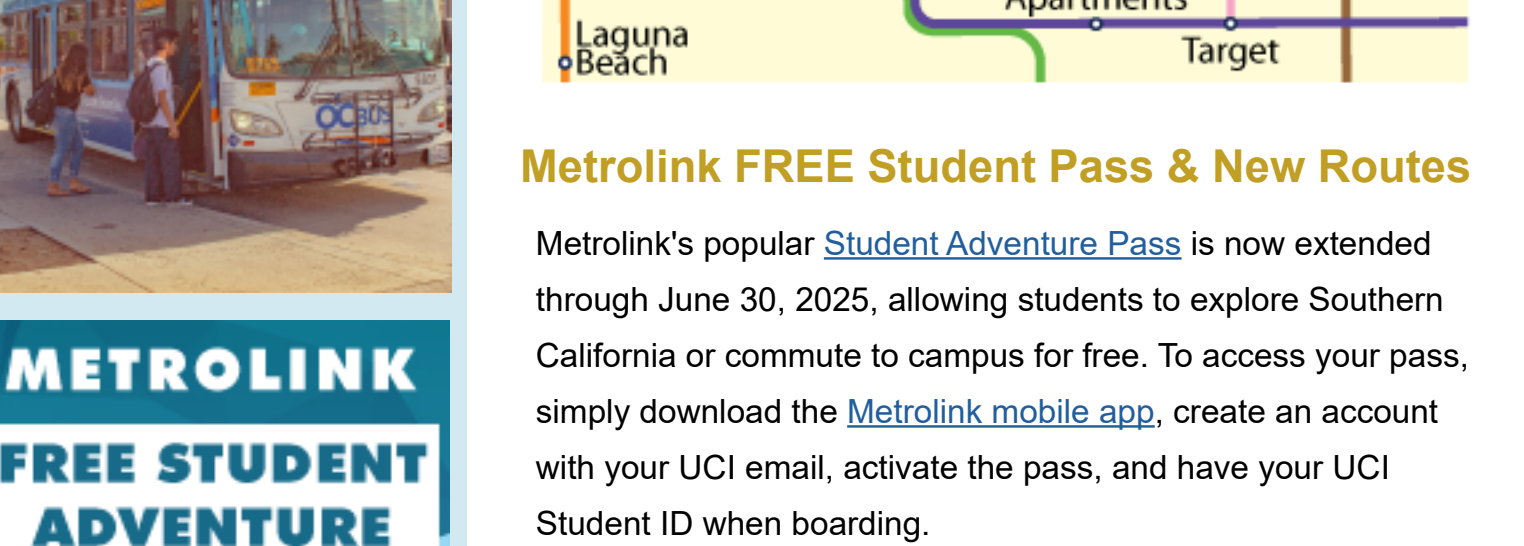
Enhancing Sustainable Travel at UCI

UCI Transportation collaborates with regional transit authorities to advocate for efficient transit routes and cost-effective commuting options. In the coming months, we will be sharing additional resources from the City of Irvine, [Orange County Transportation Authority \(OCTA\)](#), and [Metrolink](#) to better connect our campus with local transportation centers and destinations. Our team implements environmentally responsible initiatives that reduce vehicle emissions and comply with regulations like [SCAQMD Rule 2202](#) and the [UCOP Sustainable Practices Policy](#), all while operating as an auxiliary that does not receive tuition fees or state funding. This commitment strengthens our partnerships with transit and vanpool services, enhancing commuting options available to our students, faculty, and staff.

For more information on how to take advantage of these expanded services to popular destinations, please see our guide for [Navigating UCI Without a Car](#).

Connectivity Starts with OC Bus

Our campus boasts one of the best bus connections in Orange County, featuring [five OC Bus routes](#) - 59, 79, 167, 178, and 473, that stop at UCI and link to cities including Placentia, Anaheim, Villa Park, Orange, Tustin, Newport Beach, Costa Mesa, and Huntington Beach. These buses are designed with practicality and accessibility in mind and include features such as wheelchair ramps and bike mounts. With UCI's [University Pass Membership](#), available at an 82% discount from the regular monthly bus fair and for just \$169, faculty, staff, and students can enjoy unlimited rides on these routes through June 30, 2025. Get your pass today by logging into [myCommute](#) and start riding with ease!



Metrolink FREE Student Pass & New Routes

Metrolink's popular [Student Adventure Pass](#) is now extended through June 30, 2025, allowing students to explore Southern California or commute to campus for free. To access your pass, simply download the [Metrolink mobile app](#), create an account with your UCI email, activate the pass, and have your UCI Student ID when boarding.

Even better news, beginning October 21, Metrolink is adding nearly [a dozen new train routes](#) for the Tustin Station—the closest train station to UCI. To align with the new Metrolink schedules, UCI's dedicated Stationlink, [OC Bus route 473](#), will be updated to offer more frequent services between campus and the Tustin Train Station.

OC Vanpool Savings for UCI Affiliates

[Vanpooling](#) is a reliable and sustainable travel solution for UCI affiliates who share similar commuting patterns. Popular UCI vanpools start in cities like Riverside, San Bernardino, Long Beach, Anaheim, Santa Ana, and Fullerton.

To make this commuting option more affordable, OCTA has recently [doubled its vanpool subsidies](#) to \$600-\$800 per month. This subsidy helps cover costs such as vehicle leasing, maintenance, and fuel, making it easier and more cost-effective for you to join a vanpool. Email rideshare@uci.edu to connect with fellow riders in your area and enhance your commuting experience.

U.S. PASSPORT SERVICES

Reduced Application Processing Times

Looking ahead, many of our community members are already preparing for their upcoming winter travels. Our certified UCI Passport team is ready to assist you and your family with renewal applications and photo services. Visit our [website](#) for detailed information on required documents, acceptable payments, and necessary paperwork for your appointment. U.S. Department of State Processing times are currently low, making now a perfect time to get your passport ready for winter travels!

[Schedule Your Appointment Today](#)

Location: 101 Academy Way, Suite 120

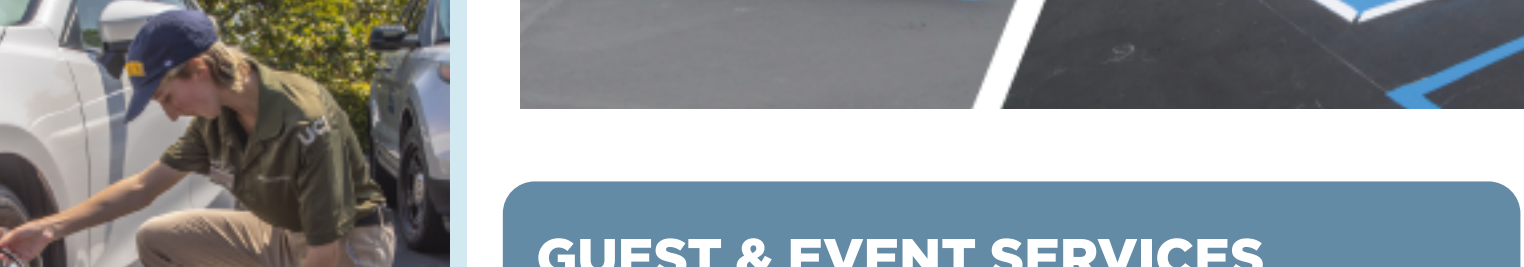
Appointment Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Walk-In Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Summer Campus Infrastructure Work

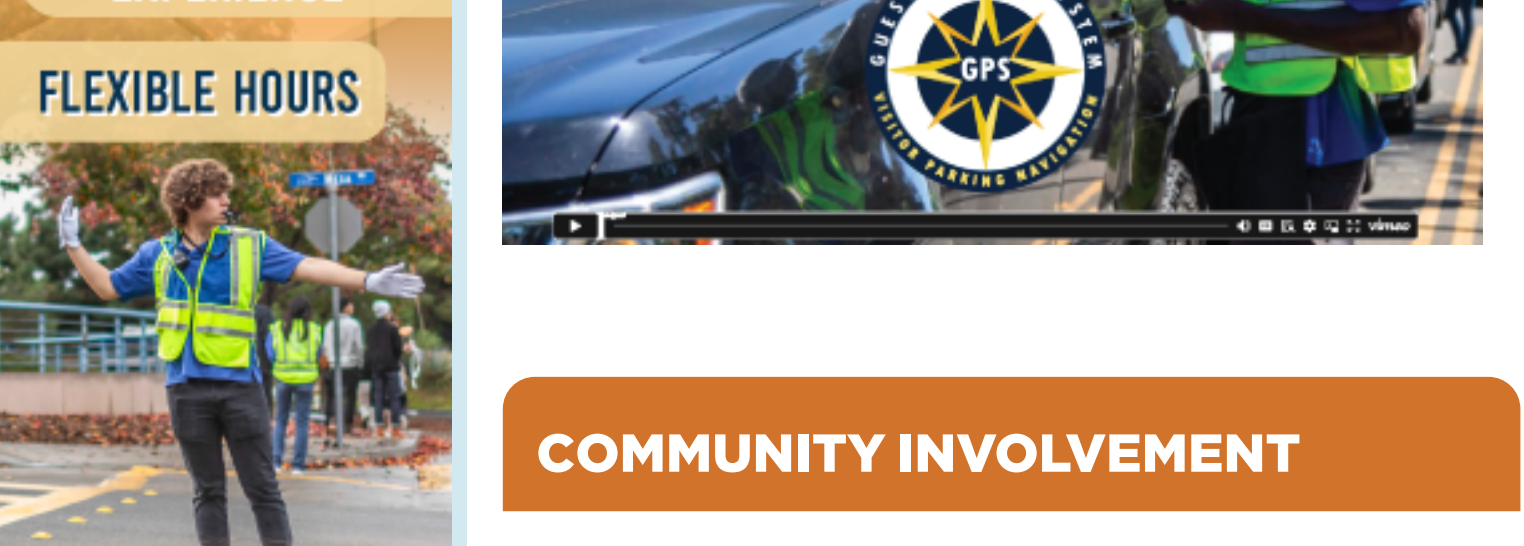
Over the summer, T&DS dedicated efforts to improving campus infrastructure to enhance safety and the overall experience for everyone traveling on campus. These improvements included refurbishing [campus bike repair stands](#) with new tools and air pumps for optimal functionality, and maintenance work was completed in several staff and student [parking lots and shared-use pathways](#). As you travel the campus, you may notice that several parking lots and roadways have been repainted and resurfaced, and efforts were made to address tree root intrusion issues on the Engineering Service Bike Path, further improving safety and visibility.



GUEST & EVENT SERVICES

Elevate Your Guest's Experience with GPS

Provide your guests with a VIP experience using our [Guest Permit System \(GPS\)](#). Watch our [video guide](#) to learn how to manage parking arrangements for your guests visiting the campus for business purposes. Simply send a request to be an approved UCI department affiliate and begin managing parking arrangements for your visitors or VIP guests. For questions, contact our event coordinator at eventprk@pts.uci.edu.



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

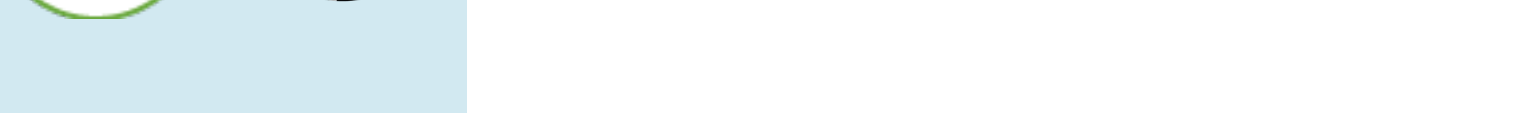
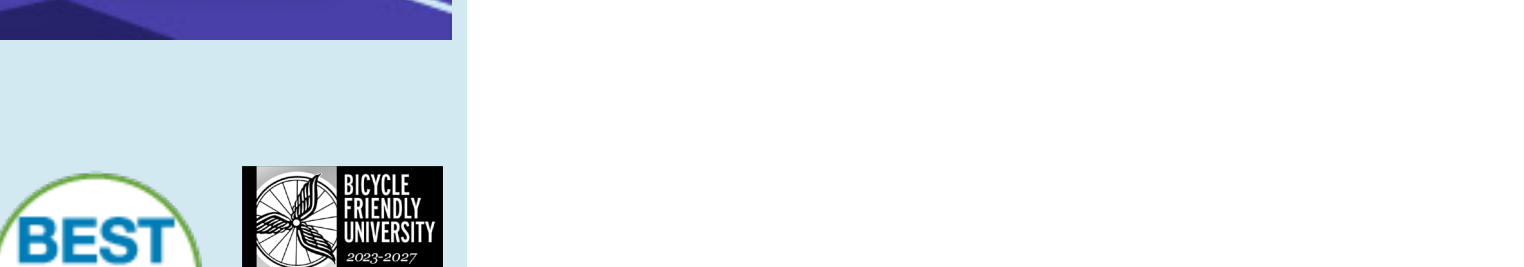
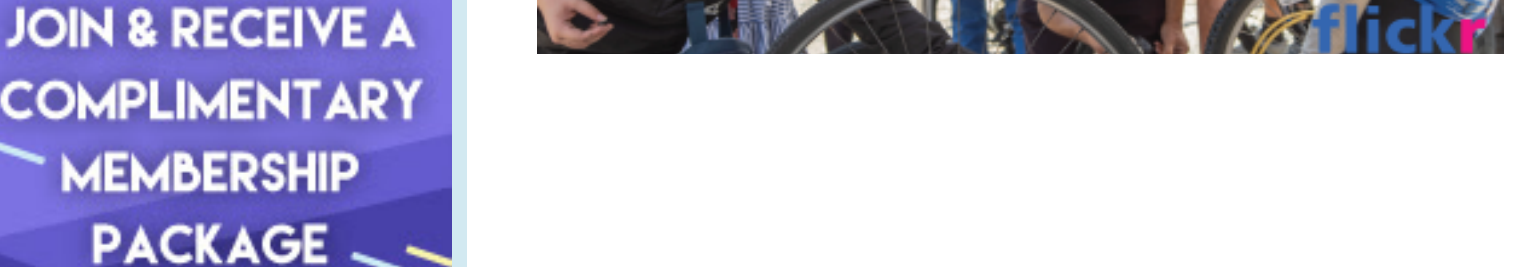
UCI Outreach Campaigns Make an Impact

Thank you to our campus community members who contributed to our 2023-2024 community outreach campaigns! Your generous contributions provided young students with backpacks to support their educational journeys, distributed books to enrich available learning and recreational resources, and delivered meals to families facing food insecurity through the [UCI Basic Needs Center](#), [OC Food Bank](#), and [Community Action Partnership of Orange County](#) resource centers.

To embrace this upcoming season of giving, T&DS is preparing for our annual [Clash of the Cans](#) food drive. Additional details will be shared in the coming weeks, and we invite you to join this year's fight against hunger.

uciRIDEtobfest: Fall Bike Festival Wrap-Up

UCI Transportation's fall festival, uciRIDEtobfest, celebrated biking with a two-day event focused on safety and community engagement. Attendees explored interactive booths filled with valuable biking safety tips and entered to win prizes like bike gear bundles and exclusive shirts. [View photos](#) from this vibrant event below. We look forward to seeing you at our future events!



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