

# TAKE DCTA'S 2016 COMMUNITY SURVEY AND WIN!

# TRAVEL TOOLS



DCTA has contracted with the University of North Texas (UNT) to conduct its biennial community survey and will make it public on Thursday, September 1. The survey focuses on Denton County resident's preferences on area public services, DCTA services and DCTA passenger amenities. DCTA plans to utilize the survey results to better serve Denton County with enhanced transit services and support.

Residents can take DCTA's community survey by visiting [DCTAsurvey.net](http://DCTAsurvey.net). Print surveys will be made available at the Euline Brock Downtown Denton Transit Center (DDTC) and on DCTA vehicles. Completed surveys can be returned to a DCTA representative, bus or rail operator, or the ticket counter at the DDTC. Survey results will be presented to DCTA's Board of Directors at the November 2016 board meeting. All completed surveys must be received no later than September 30 at 5 p.m. to be entered into the drawing.

Those who complete the entire survey will be entered into a raffle drawing to win one of the following prizes:

**DCTA Community Survey Prizes**

**1st place**  
 iPad or Regional Annual Pass or \$750 Amazon Gift Card

**2nd place**  
 XBOX ONE Bundle or Regional Monthly Pass & \$300 Amazon Gift Card or \$500 Visa Gift Card

**3rd place**  
 Roku & \$50 Amazon Gift Card or Regional Monthly Pass & \$50 Starbucks Gift Card or Beats Headphones & \$50 iTunes Gift Card

ENTER AT [DCTASURVEY.NET](http://DCTASURVEY.NET)



## WHERE'S MY RIDE

Utilize *Where's My Ride* to access real-time arrival times of Denton and Lewisville Connect bus or A-train schedules. *Where's My Ride* can be accessed online, via text or over the phone.



## GOPASS<sup>SM</sup>

Download the GoPass<sup>SM</sup> application, available on the App Store or Google Play, to purchase your ticket straight from your mobile phone.



## GOREQUEST

Have a question or comment? Download the GoRequest application and send your feedback to a DCTA staff member who will answer your question or address your comment in a timely manner.



## RIDER ALERTS

Sign up for DCTA Rider Alerts to receive up-to-date email notifications regarding schedule delays, service changes and promotions.

To learn more about DCTA Travel Tools, visit [RideDCTA.net](http://RideDCTA.net).

# enRoute NEWS

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## GETTING THERE IS A PIECE | of | [FUNNEL] CAKE



If you're considering going to the State Fair of Texas this year, take the A-train and go straight to the gate! It's the only way to get a [turkey] leg up on traffic and avoid the hassle of parking.

While you're at the fair, don't forget that DCTA is hosting a photo contest for State Fair of Texas goers. Entering is easy – just take a photo of yourself at the fair and upload it to our contest page or post it on Twitter using the official contest hashtag [#DCTAFairFun](https://twitter.com/DCTAFairFun). Make sure to include how DCTA contributed to your awesome fair experience!

One entry will be allowed per person. The community will vote for their favorite photos from all of the contest submissions. The photo contest and voting period will start Friday, September 30 and end Sunday, October 23 at 11:59 p.m. The top five photo entrants with the most votes will receive a \$50 Visa gift card and other cool DCTA swag (earbuds, insulated mug, wall USB charger, and more).

For more information on the contest and to view DCTA's State Fair of Texas full planning toolkit, visit [RideDCTA.net](http://RideDCTA.net).

## WHY I RIDE

Celia Spilotro enjoys her "me time" while riding DCTA. Find out why else Celia rides.

**Q: What do you enjoy most about riding DCTA?**

**A:** The A-train and DCTA bus system always get me to work on time. Driving on the highway is so inconsistent. Plus it's always nice to interact with the helpful, knowledgeable, and friendly crew while I'm riding DCTA!

**Q: What are some of your favorite things to do while riding DCTA?**

**A:** I usually bring a book or journal because my commute is pretty much the only "me time" I get! I've already read a few books on the A-train. I definitely couldn't do that while driving.

**Q: Do you have any advice to DCTA passengers and non-passengers?**

**A:** If you don't know what route to take, don't be afraid to ask! DCTA has so many resources that will help you get where you need to go.

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Celia Spilotro  
Denton, TX

WHY I RIDE DCTA  
#RideDCTA



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# DESTINATION: DENTON COUNTY

## NO SERVICE ON LABOR DAY

In observance of the Labor Day holiday, DCTA will not operate any bus or rail service Monday, September 5. The Euline Brock Downtown Denton Transit Center (DDTC) and DCTA administrative office will also be closed and will resume regular operational hours on Tuesday, September 6. For more information, please call DCTA Customer Service at 940.243.0077.

## LEWISVILLE COA SERVICE CHANGES

Have you seen the Lewisville Connect Bus schedules? Don't forget that we have new routes and schedules for the City of Lewisville that were implemented this past August. To view the new schedules and routes, visit [RideDCTA.net](http://RideDCTA.net).

## 2016 SEPTEMBER PUBLIC MEETING VIDEO

Starting September 12, DCTA will host a public meeting video that will feature information about the Denton Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA), FY '17 agency budget, 2016 community survey, and I-35W Express Bus service. Community members will have until Friday, September 23 to watch the video and provide feedback via the online form.

## DCTA 2016 - 2017 HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

DCTA will operate a modified schedule during the holiday season. Be sure to check out our website, sign up for Rider Alerts and visit social media channels for the official announcement of the 2016-2017 holiday service schedule.

## VETERAN'S DAY PROMOTION

On Friday, November 11, DCTA will salute and honor veterans and active military personnel with free rides on the A-train and Connect buses by showing their military ID or discharge papers. This special promotion is a way for us to thank those who have served our country.

## DENTON'S ARTS & AUTOS EXTRAVAGANZA | SEPT. 10



This free event, hosted by the Denton Main Street Association, is a classic car, truck and motorcycle showcase as well as a hands-on art and crafts, games, Chalk Fest and live music festival. The event will be held on Saturday, September 10, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. around the Denton County Courthouse-on-the-Square. Event goers can ride the A-train and take Denton Connect Routes 6, 7, 8, and 9 to see neat artwork and vintage cars. For more information, visit [dentonmainstreet.org/arts-antiques-autos](http://dentonmainstreet.org/arts-antiques-autos).

## DENTON BLUES FESTIVAL SEPT. 17 - 18



Love singing and listening to the blues? The Denton Black Chamber of Commerce is hosting its 18th Annual Denton Blues Festival which will feature music and activities for the entire family! The event will take place at Quakertown Park on September 17 from 1 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. and September 18 from 1 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Festival goers can ride the A-train and take Denton Connect Routes 4 and 5 to listen to amazing blues music. For more information, visit [dentonblackchamberonline.org](http://dentonblackchamberonline.org). (NOTE: DCTA does not operate service on Sunday)

## OAKTOPIA MUSIC FESTIVAL SEPT. 22 - 24



Denton's Oaktopia Music Festival will take place all day September 22 through 24 at multiple venues surrounding the Courthouse-on-the-Square, with main stage acts performing in the backyard of Travelstead. Deemed by the Dallas Observer as "the best three-day music festival north of Dallas," Oaktopia explores the nature of our city through art, music and culture. Festival goers can ride the A-train and take Denton Connect Routes 6, 7, 8, and 9 to get to all the fun activities. For more information, visit [oaktopiafest.com](http://oaktopiafest.com).

## LEWISVILLE WESTERN DAYS | SEPT. 23 - 24 SPONSORED BY:



The Lewisville Western Days Festival will be held on Friday, September 23 from 5 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. and Saturday, September 24 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Three festival stages will feature national and regional live music, with headliners Eli Young Band and Old 97's. In addition to music, there will be many activities to partake in such as trick ropers, kid's stick horse rodeo and more. Festival goers can ride the A-train to the Old Town and Hebron Station and take our shuttles to all the fun! DCTA staff will have a booth at the festival so don't forget to stop by for some goodies and to learn more about the agency. For more information, visit [lewisvillewesterndays.com](http://lewisvillewesterndays.com).

## DENTON'S DAY OF THE DEAD FESTIVAL OCT. 29



Denton's Day of the Dead Festival is a free, family-friendly event that will be held outside on East Hickory and Industrial Street on October 29, from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Don't miss your chance to celebrate the fall season by paying homage to the goodness of the harvest, Dia de los Muertos and all things Halloween. Festival goers can ride the A-train and take Denton Connect Routes 7, 8 and 9 to get all the Halloween fun. For more information, visit [dentondayofthedeadfestival.com](http://dentondayofthedeadfestival.com).