

00:13:37 Sherry Zhu / SPUR Public Programs: Learn more about becoming a SPUR member at spur.org/join!

00:19:07 Jessica Peyton / SPUR Public Programs: Thanks for joining us everyone! Feel free to share your comments in the chat (make sure you select "everyone" in the drop down option so everyone can see). If you have questions, please place them in the Q&A function so we don't lose track of them in the chat.

00:29:57 Jessica Peyton / SPUR Public Programs: If you have a question for the Senator, go ahead and put it in the Q&A!

00:39:26 Christina Watson: Will the PPT be shared after the call?

00:39:36 Ed Gerber: Michael glad to see you on-Your predecessor once removed asExec Director-Ed Gerber

00:49:58 Maureen Caldwell-Meurer: Will you be asking for BART funding for homeless-related issues BART is currently tasked with, and as we understand not funded for, except some funding from SF?

00:51:32 Eugene Bradley: Is this being recorded for YouTube, Facebook or other Social Media format? I know some people who had to miss this event yet want to learn what is going on with (lack of) public transit funding right now. Thank you!

00:53:22 Jessica Peyton / SPUR Public Programs: This event is being recorded, and will be available on the event page sometime in the next few days - you'll be notified when the recording is up. We'll also share resources with registrants via email.

00:54:07 Eugene Bradley: Thank you once again for having this event.

00:56:23 Laurel Paget-Seekins: I think it is important in the conversation on bringing back ridership to address the narratives around safety on transit. Transit is safer than driving if you consider the impacts of traffic incidents, but that usually isn't included in the conversation.

00:59:59 Jessica Peyton / SPUR Public Programs: <https://www.spur.org/news/2023-03-17/how-california-can-help-transit-survive-and-thrive>

01:04:44 Jessica Peyton / SPUR Public Programs: www.savecaliforniatransit.org

01:07:13 Roland Lebrun: How about clawing back High Speed Rail's 25% of Cap & Trade while we get existing transit back on track?

01:07:50 Roland Lebrun: How about learning from Brightline?
<https://skift.com/blog/brightline-carried-record-number-of-passengers-on-its-trains-in-2022/>

01:10:14 Laurel Paget-Seekins: Adding to Michael's point about rising costs. It is important to note that transit agencies are also struggling to hire enough workers to restore service. Agencies are going to have to pay more and improve working conditions. So it is going to cost more to offer the same level of service in the future.

01:10:41 kip waldo: Is there advocacy for the maintenance of wages, which means wage increases to keep up with inflation, during this process. Often the language that references fiscal responsibility on the part of the agencies ends up focusing on wages and benefits on those who operate the systems (who often live beyond the scope of the services they provide)

01:10:58 Rebecca Long (MTC): Thanks for showing up everyone. Please let your voices be heard in Sacramento!