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## **SUN TRAN EXTENDS ROUTE 61 - NEW ACCESS TO PCC NORTHWEST CAMPUS AND NORTHWEST YMCA**

TUCSON, ARIZONA - Sun Tran announces new extended service on Route 61. Effective Sunday, August 17, Route 61 will serve Shannon Road between Ina and Magee Roads, to include Pima Community College (PCC) Northwest campus and the Northwest YMCA Pima County Community Center.

Two years ago, the City of Tucson, Sun Tran and Pima County planned the route extension to provide access to vital community education and wellness services. Route 61 operation began in August 2001 and serves the northwest Tucson area.

Weekday service for Route 61 runs every 30 minutes from 5:49 A.M. to 7:44 P.M. On weekends, Route 61 runs every 60 minutes starting at 6:00 A.M. with Saturday service until 6:53 P.M., and Sunday service until 5:53 P.M. Sun Tran has established a free Park and Ride lot for area commuters in the PCC Northwest campus parking lot, located at 7600 North Shannon Road.

To kick off the extension of Route 61, a free ride promotion is being offered to attract new riders. From Sunday, August 17 through Sunday, August 31, anyone can board Sun Tran's Route 61 and ride for free.

"The extension of Route 61 gives us an excellent opportunity to draw new customers and expand ridership," said Sun Tran General Manager George G. Caria,

In addition to the free ride promotion, Sun Tran has planned two events in the northwest area to acquaint residents with the new service.

Sun Tran will participate in PCC's Welcome Week activities on the first day of classes. Representatives will be on hand to provide transit information to new riders at the PCC Northwest Campus on Monday, August 25 from 11:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. Those attending can register to win free Sun Tran bus passes and PCC tuition scholarships. KFMA-FM will broadcast live from the event. Refreshments will be provided.

The Northwest YMCA Pima County Community Center, 7770 North Shannon Road, will host a Sun Tran Information Fair on Monday, August 25 from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. Drawings will be held for free YMCA memberships and Sun Tran bus passes.

For more information on Sun Tran's free ride promotion or the Route 61 service extension, call Sun Tran's Customer Service Center at 792-9222 (TDD: 628-1565), or log on to [www.suntran.com](http://www.suntran.com).

# Route 61-La Cholla

### MAJOR DESTINATIONS:

- Wal-Mart*
- Tohono Tadaai Transit Center*
- Flowing Wells J.H.S.*
- Northwest Hospital*
- La Cholla/Ina*
- Foothills Mall*
- DMV*
- PCC NW Campus*
- YMCA*

### MAP SYMBOLS:

- P** Park & Ride Lots
  - Tohono Tadaai Transit Center — Stone/Wetmore
  - PCC Northwest Campus — Shannon/Campus Park Way
- T** Tohono Transit Center
  - Connecting Service to Routes — 6-10-15-16-19-34-61-105-162
- ▶** Route Direction
- ■ ■** NEW Service Effective 8/17/03
- ▬** Existing Service

