

MRTA Day at the Capitol

Dear MRTA Members:

As you may be aware, MRTA had 15 buses reserved and over 1,000 members who planned to attend the 2017 MRTA Legislative Day to be held February 15th. DUE TO NEW SECURITY MEASURES/METAL DETECTORS instituted on January 9th, our event had to be **CANCELED**. There was just no way to get 1,000 retirees inside the Capitol without hours of waiting; and no where to park 15 buses to keep people out of the cold.

The MRTA legislative leaders from across the state met at the MRTA office Monday, January 23rd. They decided **DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND** from MRTA members across the state, we are announcing a much downsized version of MRTA Legislative Day 2017 - **MRTA DAY AT THE CAPITOL!** We hope you can join us. Details are below.

When - Wednesday, February 15th at 10:30 a.m. Please remember to allow enough time to park and to enter the Capitol. Getting through security will take anywhere from 5 minutes to 30 minutes depending on the lines. It is just like airport security so dress accordingly and leave purses and other nonessential items in the trunk of your car. Identification is NOT required to enter.

RSVP - You must RSVP to the MRTA office by calling toll free [1-877-366-6782](tel:1-877-366-6782) so we can make sure we have enough material for every one who will be attending. Please RSVP by February 10th.

Make an Appointment with your Legislators - If you plan to attend, we encourage you to contact your Representative and Senator today to make an appointment to meet with them on February 15. [Click here to find your legislators and their contact information.](#)

Parking - There is parking around the Capitol building. [Click here for a map of all public parking lots around the Capitol Complex.](#)

Entering the Building - There are two entrances into the Capitol. The first is the main entrance on the first floor in the carriage tunnel on the south side of the building. The second entrance is on the west side of the building, take the stairs to up to the first floor entrance.

Registration - When you arrive, find the MRTA information tables in the first floor Rotunda area. We will provide you with our "Issues of Interest" which is information on current legislation. We will also provide you with information on the locations of legislators' offices. **Please know who your legislators are before you arrive!** [Click here to find your legislators.](#)

What to Wear - Wear **RED!** Also, to help keep security lines moving please leave purses and other non-essential items in the trunk of your car. Identification is NOT required to enter.

Meals - Meals are on your own. Lunch will not be provided. Sorry!!! [Click here for a list of restaurants in the downtown area.](#)

Reimbursement - MRTA will pay mileage of 27.5 cents per mile for cars with 3 or more people. We want to encourage carpooling.