Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Facts

In 2013, a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system will begin running on the I-15 Express Lanes. This new high-frequency express bus service, the first of its kind in San Diego, will be more reliable and convenient, similar to the services of a light rail system. Other regional freeways to undergo Express Lanes improvements will also support BRT systems, creating a vast network of quick and efficient public transit throughout the region. In the future, services may extend to Riverside County.

BRT Service
- Beginning in 2013
- Offering 27 new buses for service start
- Providing higher frequency service and longer hours of service
- Linking North County communities via I-15 with key regional destinations

Facilities
I-15 Express Lanes Corridor:
- 20-miles of Express Lanes on I-15 between SR 78 and SR 163
- 5 Direct Access Ramps (DARs) to BRT stations
- 5 freeway BRT stations:
  - Escondido Transit Center - Operational
  - Del Lago Transit Station - 2012
  - Rancho Bernardo Transit Station - 2012
  - Sabre Springs/Peñasquitos Transit Station - 2013
    (with increased parking)
  - Miramar College Transit Station - 2013
    (Mira Mesa Direct Access Ramp - 2014)

Regional Destinations
Mid City – BRT Freeway Stations:
- The Boulevard Transit Plaza on El Cajon Boulevard
- City Heights Transit Plaza on University Avenue

Downtown San Diego Stops:
- All day, all stops, and peak period express
  - Along Broadway
  - Terminus at Santa Fe Depot

Sorrento Mesa, UTC and UCSD Stops:
- All day, all stops, and peak period express
  - Sorrento Mesa Area along Mira Mesa Boulevard
  - At La Jolla Village Drive/UTC
  - At UCSD Transit Station

Kearny Mesa Stops:
- Along Clairemont Mesa Boulevard

Funding
- I-15 BRT operations are funded by the TransNet Extension Ordinance approved by San Diego County voters in 2004