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## **DART Extends D-Line Hours for Yankee Doodle Pops**

The hours of the free-to-ride D-Line Downtown Shuttle will be extended to 11 p.m. on Tuesday, July 3, to provide celebrators with an easier means of traveling to the Des Moines Symphony's Yankee Doodle Pops concert.

The D-Line, a shuttle that circulates east and west through downtown Des Moines and the East Village, will be on a detoured route all day Tuesday due to multiple road closures.

**6:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.** -- Throughout the business day, the shuttle will operate on Grand Avenue and Locust Street through most of downtown, then detour on Walnut Street over the Walnut Street Bridge to the East Village and around the Capitol Complex.

**6 p.m. to 11 p.m.\*** – During the evening, the shuttle will operate on the same detoured route throughout downtown and across the Des Moines River. However, starting at 6 p.m. the shuttle will travel only as far as East 6<sup>th</sup> Street, which will be the main pick-up and drop-off point for concert-goers.

\*After 10 p.m. – After the fireworks, the shuttle will carry passengers westbound only, delivering them to their vehicles throughout downtown.

The service allows people to avoid the twin hassles of driving through road construction and trying to find parking near the event. Attendees can instead park anywhere near the D-Line route and ride the trolley the rest of the way. The trolley is free to ride and arrives at stops approximately every 10 minutes.



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