

COTA Welcomes NHL All-Star Guests

Free CBUS service extended to midnight for All-Star Game

COLUMBUS—The Central Ohio Transit Authority (COTA) is “lacing up” for NHL® All-Star Weekend. CBUS®, COTA’s free downtown circulator service, is **extended until midnight on Sun., Jan. 25** to accommodate the large number of people expected for the All-Star Game and festivities.

Guests are encouraged to ride the CBUS and enjoy the Brewery District, Downtown, the Arena District and the Short North throughout All-Star Weekend, as well as use the CBUS to get to the game on Sunday, and back to their cars and hotels after the game.

For more information, please visit cota.com/allstar or contact COTA at (614) 228-1776.

On Mon., Jan. 19, Willie O’Ree, an honored guest at the 30th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Breakfast, was introduced to the CBUS. O’Ree is the National Hockey League’s Director of Youth Development and hockey ambassador for NHL Diversity, a post he has held since January 1998. A former Boston Bruin, O’Ree’s first game on January 18, 1958 against the Montreal Canadiens was historic, as he became the first black person to play in the NHL.

*Pictured (l-r): **Curtis Stitt**, COTA President/CEO, **Willie O’Ree**, **Ron Dreyfus**, President, TWU, Local 208, and **Cleve Ricksecker**, Vice Chair, COTA Board of Trustees.*



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