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## Qualified Veteran Discount Program Takes Effect Nov. 1

**(Austin, Texas)** — The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority's (Mobility Authority) Qualified Veteran Discount Program takes effect November 1, 2018. Participating qualified veterans accepted into the program may drive toll-free on 183A Toll, 290 Toll, and the 71 Toll Lane.

The Qualified Veteran Discount Program was approved by the Mobility Authority Board of Directors by unanimous vote at the July 25 board meeting and will be in effect through December 2021 unless reauthorized to continue. Staff has since developed the parameters of the program, and created an online portal at [www.MobilityAuthority.com/veterans](http://www.MobilityAuthority.com/veterans) for participants to register and receive program information. Qualified veterans include disabled veterans and Purple Heart, Legion of Valor or Medal of Honor recipients. In order to participate in the program and have tolls waived, veterans are required to register with the Mobility Authority using the online portal in advance of driving the toll roads.

Participation is limited to one license plate per veteran, and that vehicle must be associated with a qualified specialty license plate and electronic toll tag account (TxTag, EZ TAG, TollTag, K-Tag, Pike Pass, or BancPass). Acceptance into the program requires that all outstanding tolls incurred prior to Nov. 1 are paid in full. Veterans should take note that toll charges incurred on the MoPac Express Lane will not be waived under this program, as the variable toll pricing model is key to congestion management, and operation of the lane would otherwise break down. The 45 Toll Road and the 183 South Toll Road will be included in the program when these roads open to traffic.

"While the Mobility Authority relies on toll revenue rather than taxing authority to deliver mobility solutions for Central Texas, we are pleased to be able to offer this program to veterans who have served our country," said Executive Director, Mike Heiligenstein of the Mobility Authority Board of Directors.

For more information about the Qualified Veterans Toll Discount Program, visit [www.mobilityauthority.com/faq/veterans](http://www.mobilityauthority.com/faq/veterans)

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**About the Mobility Authority**

The Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority is a local, independent government agency created in 2002 to improve the regional transportation system in Travis and Williamson Counties. The Mobility Authority implements innovative and sustainable transportation options to enhance quality of life and economic vitality in Central Texas. The Mobility Authority operates 183A Toll in Williamson County, 290 Toll in east Austin, the 71 Toll Lane in east Austin, and the MoPac Express Lane in Central Austin. The agency is also finishing construction of the eight-mile 183 South Project in east Austin, and constructing the four-mile SH 45SW toll road between FM 1626 and MoPac in southern Travis and northern Hays counties. For more information about the Mobility Authority, visit [www.MobilityAuthority.com](http://www.MobilityAuthority.com).