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Service Advisory for 116th Street Festival and Puerto Rican Day Parade

The weekend-long celebration of Puerto Rican heritage begins on Saturday, June 8 with the **116th Street Abrazo Fraternal Festival** which will be held from noon to 5 p.m. along 116th Street between Lexington and 2nd Avenues and on 3rd Avenue between 106th and 122nd Streets. The 116th Street Festival is a very popular attraction with up to 50,000 people in attendance at any one time. Overall attendance for the day could reach upwards of 100,000.

On Saturday, the 116th Street  station will be “exit only” from noon to 5 p.m. Customers wishing to enter at 116th Street will be redirected to nearby stations on Lexington Avenue at 110th and 125th Streets. The following New York City Transit and MTA Buses that serve the area will be affected by reroutes: **M15, SBS-M15, M101, M102, M103, M116, BxM6, BxM7, BxM8, BxM9 and BxM10.**

This year’s **National Puerto Rican Day Parade** will be held on Sunday, June 9 between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. The parade route runs up Fifth Avenue from 44th Street to 79th Street. In order to prevent overcrowding on stairways and platforms, the 77th Street  station will be “exit only” from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Customers seeking up or downtown service from this station will be directed to 68th Street or 86th Street stations. Parade-goers may use Fifth Avenue stations on the     and  lines. Additionally, NYC Transit will increase subway service on the     and  (42nd Street shuttle) trains to accommodate spectators.

The following NYC Transit MTA Buses will take customers to the parade area although affected by reroutes: **M2, M3, M4, M5, M31, M50, M57, M66, M72, M79, Q32, BxM2, BxM3, BxM4, BxM6, BxM7, BxM8, BxM9, BxM10, BxM11, QM2, QM4, QM5, QM6, X1, and X10.**

Please note that alcohol will not be allowed on MTA Long Island Rail Road trains, stations and platforms on Saturday, June 8th and Sunday, June 9th. The MTA Police will enforce this restriction.

For more information on the service to this weekend’s festivities, follow this link:
<http://www.mta.info/nyct/service/events/PuertoRicanDayParade2013.htm>.

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