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Metro Announces Corporate Partnership of 2006 Turner Construction Management Training Program

Yesterday marked the beginning of the 2006 Turner Construction Management Training Program, a six-week course designed for minority, women, small and disadvantaged-owned construction companies interested in positioning their firms for contracting opportunities with Turner Construction. Other Corporate Partners include Los Angeles World Airports, the Los Angeles Minority Business Opportunity Center, and the National Association of Minority Contractors. These partnerships provide an opportunity for eligible construction firms to learn about the benefits of small business certification.

This year's program has a class of 30 students, and approximately 50% of the current participants were recruited through the outreach efforts ([program flier](#) e-mailed to all disadvantaged business databases) of Metro's Diversity and Economic Opportunity staff. Courses will be held every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 6:00pm to 9:30pm in the Gateway Conference Room.

San Fernando Valley Public Hearing

The Daily News also inquired today regarding the [San Fernando Valley Service Sector public hearing](#) scheduled for tonight regarding proposed service changes and enhancements to Metro Bus service in the Valley. The reporter, who was briefed on the proposed amendments, is planning to attend the hearing this evening and may write a story recapping public testimony for tomorrow's edition.

Of Note

On this date in 2001, Metro officials unveiled a plaque honoring the late U.S.

Congressman, Julian Dixon, in a ceremony on Patsaouras Plaza. The plaque was then placed in the 7th/Metro/Julian Dixon Metro Rail station. Dixon, a member of Congress for 22 years, was a longtime supporter of public transit projects in Los Angeles, including the Metro Rail and Metro Bus systems. Supervisor Yvonne Burke, who proposed the motion to name the 7th/Metro station for Dixon, said the congressman “knew that Los Angeles County needed a viable public transportation system. He fought for rail; he fought for subway; he fought for buses. He devoted himself to ensuring the future for Los Angeles County transit.”



Julian C. Dixon
1934-2000
United States House of Representatives, 1978-2000

Seeing beyond the boundaries of his own congressional district, Julian Dixon knew the importance of viable transportation alternatives for all of Los Angeles County. He was a voice for Los Angeles County in Washington, D.C., and the effort to secure federal funding for Metro Rail. This station is dedicated to him.

“We have built the subway to the Valley, to Hollywood, to Wilshire, and to downtown L.A. A subway that links other modes of transportation, and live in wait for future projects. We did not get all that we wanted and our system did not come without cost, but significant accomplishments seldom do. Today, we come together to acknowledge the significance of this accomplishment and pledge to continue our great partnership to meet the transit needs of all Angelenos.”

-- Julian Dixon at the opening of the Metro Red Line to North Hollywood on June 23, 2000.

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