

CEO BRIEF | EVERY VOICE COUNTS

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Metro Transportation Research Library & Archive Collection Materials Featured in Exhibition

Metro's Transportation Research Library & Archive contributed archival materials to the University of Southern California Libraries' newest exhibition, 500 Years of Utopia. It includes materials from USC Libraries and other local historical collections. The exhibition explores the concept of an ideal city in the context of 21st-century urbanism, especially in a megacity like Los Angeles that has been the setting for utopian and dystopian thinking almost since its founding. Metro contributions include the 1962 Goodell monorail proposal and reports, the 1970 Concept for the Los Angeles General Plan, and a 1980 environmental impact statement for a Downtown People Mover project. The exhibition is located in the Doheny Memorial Library's Treasure room and runs from November 9, 2016 through February 9, 2017. See more info about the exhibition [here](#).

Transit Safety Programs Hosts Rail Safety Ambassador Holiday Party

There were lots of warm hugs and hellos amongst the Rail Safety Ambassadors (RSA) in attendance at Thursday's holiday party. Transit Safety Programs (TSP) rang in the season by recognizing the invaluable work our RSA's provide to those communities living near Metro's trains and tracks. The RSA's are an extension of the ongoing safety education provided by TSP. The holiday luncheon was held at Gateway on December 8th where the retired bus and rail operators were lauded for their work and provided with a hearty Italian feast. I want to thank the Rail Safety Ambassador's for the hard work and dedication they put

forth to help make our communities safe.



Doran & Broadway/Brazil Grade Separation Project Community Meetings

On Wednesday, Metro Regional Rail hosted two community meetings/open houses at the Environmental Management Center in Glendale to provide the public with an update on the project timeline, proposed alternative and traffic studies for the Doran & Broadway/Brazil Grade Separation Project. The purpose of the proposed project is to improve safety and mobility while maintaining suitable access to existing businesses and surrounding residential areas. The two meetings brought together over 77 participants, including Metro Board Member and Glendale Councilmember Ara Najarian, Glendale Mayor Paula Devine, representatives from the Offices of Senator Anthony Portantino (District 25) and Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, staff from the Cities of Glendale and Los Angeles, as well as various community organizations, business owners, and residents.

Participants were able to review display boards and conceptual renderings of what the proposed improvements would look like in the area and provide feedback on the information that was presented, which will be taken into further consideration by the project team. One of the most noteworthy updates provided by the project team was that both the Salem/Sperry Overpass and the Northerly Connection (two critical components of the project team's proposed recommended alternative) must advance together in order to comprehensively address the safety and access issues currently facing the project area.

In early 2017, the Metro Board of Directors is expected to receive an update on the recommended alternative and consider whether or not the project should advance further in the environmental and preliminary engineering design phase.

If you were unable to attend the meeting, you can view and download the presentation materials from the [project website](#).

Metro Art Featured at International Rail Forum

On Wednesday, Metro Art's Maya Emsden had the honor of speaking at the first annual International Rail Forum for North America in New York City, organized by the International Association of Public Transport (UITP) and attended by transportation officials and executives from around the world. Ms. Emsden, along with arts professionals from Transport for London, New York MTA, and Charlotte Area Transit were invited as representatives of "Top Tier art-in-transit programs" to share best practices regarding the integration of artwork into transit systems.

UITP represents an international public transport network of 1,400 companies located in 96 countries and provides an opportunity for global discourse about best practices in the industry. LA Metro continues to be

recognized as a leader in the art in transit field and we were proud to participate and share recent projects.

Making a Difference for Families in the Community

Also on Wednesday, Metro Transit Safety Programs (TSP) participated at the Annual Toys and Joys Holiday Toy Giveaway at the Orthopaedic Institute for Children located along the Metro Expo Line near Adams Boulevard and Flower Street. TSP returned this year to provide event participants with safety promotional information and giveaways. Our Safety robot, P2000 made a special appearance to remind kids and their families that “Safety Begins With You” and other safety tips to follow when using our transportation services. This event provides an opportunity for Metro to show our communities how we continue to provide excellence in service and support.



Metro Crenshaw/LAX Team Gives Back for the Holidays

Next Saturday, December 17, Metro's Crenshaw/LAX (C/LAX) Project staff will get in full Holiday spirit and gather with community members at the Crenshaw project office to assemble 250 lunch bags for homeless individuals and families. What a great way to celebrate the season. Thank you to Hatch Mott MacDonald and others who helped fund the groceries. On a related note, the C/LAX office has also partnered with Stevie Wonder's House Full of Toys community toy drive & KJLH Radio as a toy drop-off location. The community and C/LAX social media followers have been invited to drop-off unwrapped gifts through December 20 for kids ages 3 to 17 to:

3699 Crenshaw Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90016
Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Thanks to C/LAX Project Director Charles Beauvoir and team for giving back to the community for the holidays. Email EatShopPlay@metro.net to volunteer for lunch assembly or to donate a gift.

Procurement Postings

Temporary Staffing Bench (RFP)

Metro will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to establish a temporary staffing bench. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Wednesday, December 14, 2016 through Monday, March

27, 2017.

Metro will establish a temporary staffing bench to procure the services of qualified and experienced professional staffing agencies to assist in meeting critical deadlines and assist with compliance services.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Greg Baker, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7577.

Professional Art Videography Services (RFP) - Small Business Prime

Metro will release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure the professional art videography services.

This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from December 12, 2016 through February 21, 2017.

Metro seeks a qualified and experienced video production firm to produce short videos (one to four minutes) on a project assignment basis for use at community presentations, on the agency's website, social media channels and other customer and stakeholder interactions. The firm will document artwork, artists, art tours, performances and other activities at Metro stations and facilities located throughout Los Angeles County, as directed by Metro. Services will be provided on an as-needed basis.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Jesse Zepeda, Sr. Contract Administrator, at (213) 922-4156.

Construction Notices: Regional Connector, - I-5

Regional Connector Transit Project: Full Weekend Street Closure -- 2nd St./Spring St.

- Full intersection of 2nd Street and Spring Street closure begins Friday, December 9 at 6:00 p.m. through Monday, December 12 at 5:00 a.m.
- This closure is necessary to continue piling, install deck, and protect utilities in preparation for the tunnel box construction.
- Local access to businesses, residents and emergency responders will be made available.

Caltrans Interstate 5: All Construction Updates here.

“Every failure will teach you something else about how to succeed.”

~ Brit Morin

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