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Metro's First Accelerator Forum "Think You Can Solve Traffic?" is a Success

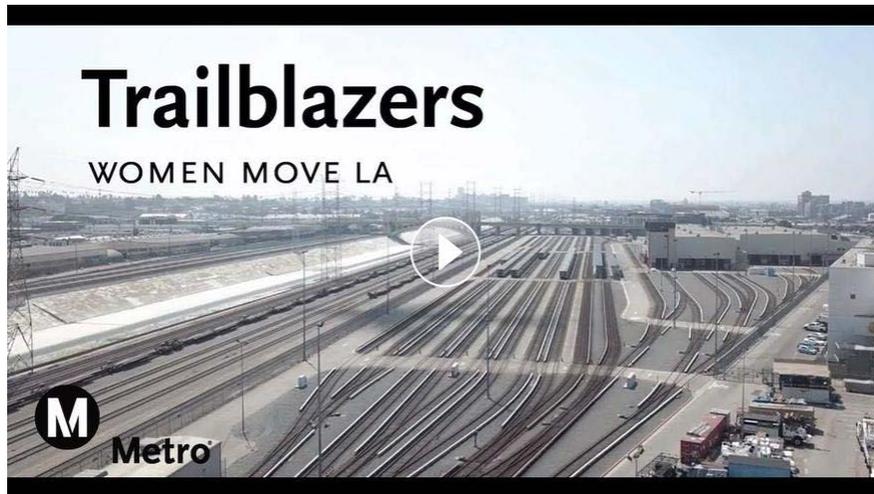
Last Tuesday, along with Deputy CEO Stephanie Wiggins, I participated in the first of Metro's Accelerator Forum Series with the challenge topic "Think You Can Solve Traffic?" These Accelerator Forums are designed to focus the innovation of the private sector on solving key challenges related to improving mobility and achieving Vision 2028.

This first, standing room-only forum included panel discussions on using incentives to get more people to consider alternatives to driving alone or to avoid driving during peak periods and congestion pricing to ease Los Angeles County's infamous traffic congestion. The forum featured an impressive group of panelists and was designed to encourage submissions through Metro's Unsolicited Proposals program. Unsolicited Proposal submissions related to the topic are due by January 31, 2019. I'd like to recognize Avital Shavit from the Office of Extraordinary Innovation for her work in planning and executing this forum.

Trailblazers: Women who Move LA debuted at the December Board Meeting

Last week during the board meeting, I had the pleasure of sharing the "Trailblazers: Women who Move LA" video presented by Metro's Women and Girls Governing Council. The video was very well received by our Board Members and all those in attendance in the Board Room. Some of the women featured in the video were able to attend the board meeting and received a standing ovation.

The video highlights women at Metro who have kept LA moving for over 25 years. In sharing their individual experiences and messages, the video highlights their struggles and accomplishments. It serves as an affirmation to the dedication and hard work of our employees and our Women and Girls Governing Council. The Trailblazers video can be viewed by clicking play on the video below.



Metro Participates in the Annual Spark of Love Toy Drive

Last Wednesday, I joined Metro's Diversity & Economic Opportunity Department (DEOD) for Metro's 23rd Annual Gift Giving Drive at Metro Gateway Headquarters. I am proud to announce that Metro employee's donated nearly 3,000 gifts that were collected and delivered to the Spark of Love Foundation and the Fred Jordan Mission. Metro has proudly participated in the annual Spark of Love Toy Drive, organized by ABC7 and Southern California Firefighters for several years now. Metro Bus Operations also assisted with a successful "stuff-a-bus" toy drive at the Wal Mart in Harbor City.

I would like to thank every person that collaborated, donated and volunteered to make this a happy holiday season for underserved children and families along Skid Row and throughout Los Angeles County. I look forward to next year's Gift Giving Drive as part of our continued efforts to give back to the communities we serve.

If you wish to donate a new unwrapped toy for children in need this holiday season, you may drop it off at your local fire station before December 24, 2018.



Updating the Metro Citizens' Advisory Council

Last Friday, I stopped by our Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) Executive Committee meeting to thank the Members for their service. I provided updates and answered questions regarding Measure M, Twenty-eight by '28, and efforts underway to identify innovative funding opportunities such as public-private partnerships, congestion pricing, and increasing the Metro debt ceiling. In order to potentially support free transit in the future, I noted that we recover approximately \$300 million annually from our fareboxes and that we're now looking into how these monies could alternatively be recovered through congestion pricing and other means. We discussed our latest efforts to reach people with the "Join the Movement" communications campaign and video.

The CAC Members were very appreciative of the visit, these updates, and answering their questions. The group expressed their interest to continue to learn of any progress associated with these efforts in the months ahead and continue to provide input to Metro. Ten CAC Members were in attendance at this meeting as well as several members from the public. The CAC is required in the state statute that created Metro and each Board Director may appoint up to four individuals to serve on this group that meets regularly to advise the agency.

Procurement Postings

Cargo Vans (IFB)

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to procure Cargo Vans. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, December 6, 2018 through Wednesday, March 13, 2019.

This procurement is for eighteen (18) cargo vans to replace existing vehicles in the current fleet to support bus and rail operations.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Aryani L. Guzman, Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1387.

Scaffolding at the Red Line Passenger Stations (IFB) - Small Business Prime

Metro will release an Invitation for Bid (IFB) Friday, December 12, 2018, for Scaffolding at the Red Line Passenger Stations per specifications on file at the Office of Procurement, 1 Gateway Plaza (9th Floor), Los Angeles, CA 90012. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from December 12, 2018 through March 31, 2019.

Metro is seeking a contractor to supply labor and equipment to erect and dismantle scaffolding platforms at multiple Red Line passenger stations.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Josie Mellen, Senior Contract Administrator at (213) 922-1105.

Agency-Wide Community Based Organization Partnering Strategy (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking a technical advisor that is equipped with the expertise, relationships and understanding of how community-based organizations (CBOs) work in Los Angeles County specifically in the fields of transportation, housing, education, homelessness, public health and safety. The procurement blackout period is expected to run from Friday, December 7, 2018 through April 4, 2019.

Metro is seeking a consultant and/or foundation partner team to aid staff in developing an agency-wide Community-Based Organization (CBO) Partnership Strategy that will inform how Metro works and partners with CBOs on programs, projects, and initiatives. To align with Metro's Equity Platform Framework, the Strategy includes how Metro provides opportunities to qualify and bid for contracts.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Art Torres, Senior Manager at (213) 922-1047.

Construction Notices: Regional Connector, Crenshaw/LAX, I-5

Regional Connector: Concrete Placement at Grand Ave Arts/Bunker Hill Station

Each day new walls are erected at the future Grand Av Arts/Bunker Hill Station in downtown L.A. Concrete pours are scheduled intermittently as this two-year process to build the station's infrastructure advances on the Regional Connector Transit Project. Learn more [here](#).

Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project: Temporary Green Line Station Closures

The Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project is laying the foundation and making connections for the future. In order to make the necessary connections between the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project and the Green Line, we will need to suspend rail service between the Crenshaw Station and Redondo Beach Station.

Green Line rail service will be suspended between Crenshaw Station and Redondo Beach Station beginning at 9 pm, Friday, January 4, 2019, through 3 am, Sunday, January 20, 2019.

Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project: Civil Improvements

As part of the Metro Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, Walsh-Shea Corridor Constructors (WSCC) will be working on civil improvements which include the construction of new curb/gutter, sidewalk, driveways, ADA ramps and a roadway median on Oak St, north of Florence Av. This work will take place starting on Monday, December 3, 2018.

Starting Monday, December 3, 2018 through Friday, January 4, 2019 9am to 3:30pm and 8pm to 6am Monday through Friday. 8am to 5pm and 9pm to 6am Saturday and Sunday.

Caltrans Interstate 5: All Construction Updates [here](#).

"Success isn't always about greatness. It's about consistency. Consistent hard work leads to success.
Greatness will come."

~ Dwayne Johnson

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