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South LA Faith Leader Roundtable Discusses Equity, Youth Opportunities and More

Last week, I hosted another South LA Faith Leaders Roundtable to discuss and gather input from the South LA faith community about several important projects, programs and initiatives. With over forty attendees, the event was a success as Metro staff, faith leaders and I discussed equity, congestion pricing, the Transportation School, youth internship opportunities, the Expose, Educate, Employ Youth Initiative, and a variety of transit projects in the South LA region. The South LA Faith Leaders Roundtable is a regular gathering of faith leaders to strengthen relationships in the community and to involve faith leaders in the early stages of project and program development. The South LA group is one component of the agency's Regional Faith Leaders Roundtable, an initiative to meaningfully engage faith leaders countywide.

For more information, please contact Patricia Soto at sotopa@metro.net.



Profiles in Leadership February 13, 2019 - Celebrating Black History Month

I want to invite you to join us for our second edition of the *Profiles in Leadership* panel discussion. Learn about local Black and African American leaders in transportation at Metro to celebrate Black History Month. Community Activist and Metro Board Member Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker will join Metro Chief Security and Law Enforcement Officer Alex Wiggins, Metro Deputy Executive Officer of Diversity & Economic Opportunity Department Tashai Smith and Senior Executive Officer of Rail Maintenance & Engineering Errol Taylor for a casual conversation about their career paths, significant influences, challenges and what diversity and inclusion means to them. The panel will be moderated by Metro Manager of External Affairs JC Lacey.

Wednesday, February 13, 2019

10:00 am - 11:00 am

Metro Board Room, 3rd Floor

Getaround: Affordable, Hassle-Free Car-Sharing Service

Last week, Metro Interim Chief of Staff Nadine Lee joined Getaround Regional Manager James Correa for a press event to announce the new Getaround carshare service and promote a \$25 credit to introduce Metro riders to the service. Metro has partnered with the San Francisco-based company Getaround to offer a new, affordable, hassle-free car-sharing service at 20 high-demand Metro transit park & ride lots throughout Los Angeles County. Getaround empowers people to instantly rent and drive cars shared by people in their city. The company takes a unique approach to the traditional car-sharing concept, utilizing shared, personally-owned and third-party vehicles. By employing this business model, Getaround helps reduce the number of cars on the region's congested roadways by leveraging cars that already exist. This partnership helps Metro riders and others complete their first- and last-mile connections.

Park & ride locations span the San Fernando Valley, San Gabriel Valley, South Bay, South LA and Westside, with prices beginning at \$5 per hour depending on vehicle type. Getaround includes collision and liability insurance for every trip. Metro riders will receive \$25 off their first booking by signing up at get.co/lametro. The program is managed by Metro's Parking Management Department. If successful, Metro and Getaround may consider adding carshare services to additional park & ride locations later this year.



Providing World-Class Transportation for All: Metro Vision 2028

By now, all Metro employees should have received their Vision 2028 Goal Packet. Your packet includes a letter from your Senior Leadership Team member outlining specific departmental goals and a pocket card, to be kept with your badge, outlining the Agency's Goals. This goal card should serve as a daily reminder of the groundbreaking work we are doing to transform mobility across Los Angeles County.

Please speak to your direct supervisor if you have not received your packet. I thank all of you for the hard work that goes into providing world-class transportation for all.

Metro Vision 2028
AGENCY GOALS

- 1 High quality mobility options
- 2 Outstanding trip experiences for all
- 3 Enhancing communities and lives
- 4 Transform LA County through collaboration and leadership
- 5 Responsive, accountable and trustworthy Metro

Attached is a handy pocket reminder of the plan's five core goals. Each is described with more detail in the book we mailed to you at home. Thank you for your key role in transforming LA.

 **Metro**

Metro's Youth Career Experience will be Hosting their Second Module at Gateway

The Metro Youth Career Experience is a five-module pilot program aimed to expose and educate 9th graders at Compton High School. Our second module is scheduled for February 28 and will be hosted at Gateway.

Students will have an inside look into the inner workings of some of the biggest projects happening at Metro today. The Metro Rail Operations Department coordinates all activities that impact the railways throughout our system. The module will go through various aspects of Rail Operations including: simulations of events such as accidents on the tracks, line shutdowns, and special events. This will give students a hands-on learning experience on how different departments within Metro collaborate to handle major events on a short term and long-term basis.

The Metro Youth Career Experience Program will be conducting five modules in attempt to accomplish the following:

- Provide a platform for students to start a conversation with peers, teachers and mentors about pursuing a potential career in transportation infrastructure;
- Expose students to the development stages and strategies involved in a capital improvement project affecting their local community; and
- Educate students to the career paths that exist within the industry.

This pilot program is part of Metro's E3 initiative which represents: Expose, Educate and Employ the next generation of transportation professionals.



Updating Communities on our Mega-Projects

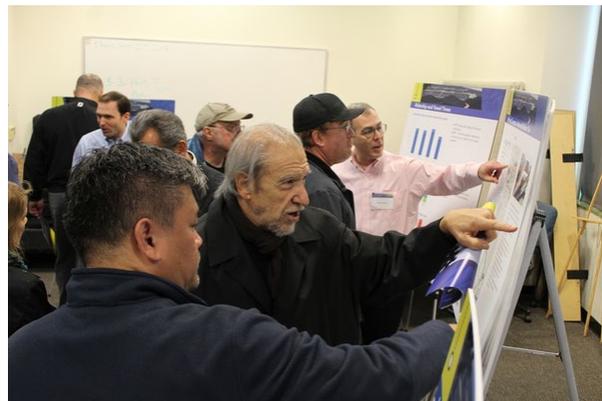
Last week, we began another round of outreach to update communities and listen to their input about both the West Santa Ana Branch Transit Corridor (WSAB) Project and the Sepulveda Transit Corridor Project.

The WSAB Project hosted meetings in downtown Los Angeles and South Gate, where we shared information with a combined 130 people regarding project refinements and the updated project definition. They also provided comments and asked questions on a range of topics including preferences for the project's northern

terminus, impacts from construction and potential property acquisition, and additional outreach needed along the corridor. We were in Artesia on Thursday, February 7 for the last meeting of this round. Please click [here](#) for meeting details. All meeting materials and a video recording of the presentation will be made available on the project [website](#) at the end of this meeting series.

Over the last two weeks, our Sepulveda Transit Corridor team hosted meetings in Westwood, Van Nuys and near LAX where more than 300 people heard about the four refined concepts for the Valley-Westside portion of this project as well as the initial concepts for the Westside-LAX portion. Public input included preferences expressed about different alternatives including routes and station locations, along with questions about impacts from construction and operations of above-ground vs. underground alternatives, connections to other lines, and project acceleration opportunities. Please go to the project [website](#) for the meeting materials. Staff is continuing to evaluate options during the current Feasibility Study for this project and is planning to return to the public later this year with more information.

Meetings for both projects were well attended by representatives from federal, state and local offices as well as our Board members who have been very helpful at promoting these meetings.



Procurement Postings

Custodial Banking Services (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposal (RFP) wherein LACMTA is seeking Custodial Banking Services including but not limited to safekeeping cash and securities, process investment transactions, income collection, corporate action processing and provide compliance reporting services for LACMTA's Operating Fund investment portfolios and specific bond proceeds. The procurement blackout period is expected to run from February 8, 2019 through May 23, 2019.

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, I-5

Regional Connector: Deck Panel Removal for Excavation on Flower St

Excavation of the tunnel box below Flower St continues in downtown Los Angeles as part of efforts to connect the Regional Connector Transit Project to the existing 7th St/Metro Center Station. In order to effectively build the tunnel box, crews will remove segments of the road deck panels on weekdays during daytime hours, between 5th and 6th St with minimal impacts to the traveling public. To learn more, click [here](#) for the full construction notice.

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

"Live the life you love. Love the life you live."

~ Robert Nesta Marley

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