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Congress Adopts Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act

Last week, Congress adopted The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act – which was promptly signed into law by the President. The legislation includes over \$2 trillion in COVID-19 related funds, including hundreds of billions of dollars for direct payments to Americans, billions of dollars to bolster the nation's unemployment insurance programs, and billions of dollars to bolster the transit industry, among many other national fiscal priorities. I have communicated with all members of the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation to express our appreciation for the financial assistance for Metro and other transit agencies that was included in H.R. 748 – the CARES Act.

Specifically, for transit agencies nationwide, the bill would provide \$25 billion. According to preliminary estimates by Metro's staff, our agency may receive approximately \$710 to \$810 million in assistance – with specific terms on how these funds can be spent on matters directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Metro will, over the coming days, be working with relevant federal authorities, including but not limited to, the U.S. Department of Transportation and members of the Los Angeles County Congressional Delegation, to ensure our agency takes all reasonable and prudent steps to allocate these important federal resources to their highest and best use in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

What's on Your Mind - Social Media Highlights

Metro has a team dedicated to our social media presence. As a critical tool to disseminate information and announcements, social media also serves as a means of obtaining candid and honest feedback from the public. To that end, this helps to spotlight those on the frontlines – operators, custodians, mechanics, maintenance workers and security and law enforcement – receiving praise and encouragement from the public who rely on Metro for their essential travel. I want to again personally thank all of our frontline employees serving the public at a time of importance like no other. Below is just a small testament from the Facebook and Twitter-worlds showing appreciation and thanks to Metro's essential employees.

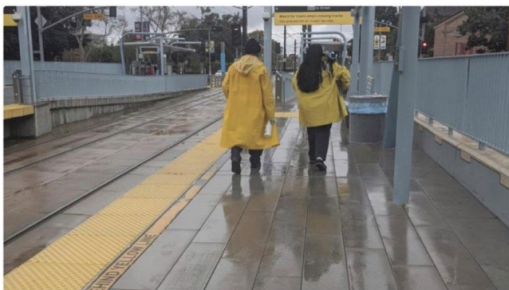
 **Karen Kujo** @JosephScales13
March 14, 2020 · 8:37am · View Post

Shoutout to all the janitors working in the public, especially those working for @metrolosangeles and any other major facility.

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 **Daniel Lee** @danielwaynelee0
March 14, 2020 · 4:42pm · View Post

A big thank you to the @metrolosangeles @BikeMetro workers keeping stations, trains, buses and equipment sanitized for those residents who have no choice but to use mass transit to travel.

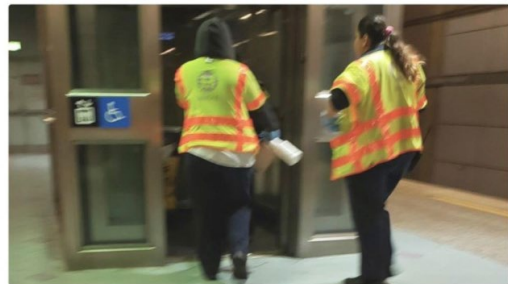


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 **C W** @inmygirlshoes
March 17, 2020 · 8:49am · View Post

THANK YOU to all the @metrolosangeles staff for keeping the stations and trains clean. I saw 8 metro employees cleaning the machines, the escalator belts, elevator, etc. It's everyone's job 2 b cautious, I'm not touching any handles. Everyone is keeping a safe distance 🙌🙌🙌



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 **Victor San** @Vxctor_
March 17, 2020 · 9:07am · View Post

Under appreciated, Thank you @metrolosangeles for all the hard work, your company is putting to allow us to work and utilize your services. #🙌
[twitter.com/metrolosangeles...](https://twitter.com/metrolosangeles)

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Junior Hernandez Thank You Metro drivers for getting me to work were doing this together 🙌

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Danita Saulsberry I understand her sentiment, but for many of us this is all we got. To get from home to work, Uber costs me 20.00. I can only do that if I'm really late.

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Martinez Oti Thank all the bus drivers. Not only do you have to deal with different personalities on a daily bases, but with all that's going on you guys are still working to get us to and from.. much appreciated.prayers 🙏

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Yesi Cecy Ramirez 🙏 Thanks so much for taking and bringing my mom home from work daily. As her hours have shifted and her days have gotten longer as an essential employ at a grocery store. I understand that some people worry about the close proximity in a bus or metro but she tells me that there only a few essential riders that needs this mode of transportation and everyone is practicing social distancing and also wear gloves and face masks when possible. Thank so much to all the Metro employees as they too are essential workers.

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Procurement Postings

Arbitrage Rebate Calculation Services (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Arbitrage Rebate Calculation Services. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Wednesday, March 25, 2020 through Thursday, June 4, 2020.

The Arbitrage Rebate Calculation Services consultant shall furnish all labor, tools, and equipment to provide arbitrage rebate calculation services to Metro in support of its outstanding debt issues. The tasks will include, but shall not be limited to, the collection and maintenance of records relevant to the preparation and submittal of arbitrage rebate analysis reports.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Ernesto N. De Guzman, Director, Contract Administration at (213)-922-7267.

Door Enable System (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure a door enable system. The Project Labor Agreement/Construction Careers Policy will apply to this Procurement. The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from March 27, 2020 through August 19, 2020.

Metro has established a contracting opportunity for a responsible contractor to provide a turnkey solution to include design, supply, installation, and testing of an integrated Door Enable System (DES) that meets Metro's proposal requirements as outlined in the Statement of Work. The DES shall be installed on Light Rail Vehicles (LRV) or on Wayside system that operate on the Blue, Gold, and Expo Lines.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by, Nicole Banayan, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 922-7438.

Construction Notices: Regional Connector, Purple Line, I-5

Regional Connector: Street Restoration closures at 1st/Alameda in DTLA

Street restoration at the 1st St and Alameda St intersection is now underway and scheduled to last through August 31, 2020. Plan ahead as lane reductions and road closures will be in place through the summer, as this work will be completed in two stages, each lasting approximately four months.

This effort marks the transition into the final phase of construction for the Regional Connector and brings it one step closer to testing and revenue operation. To learn more, click [here](#).

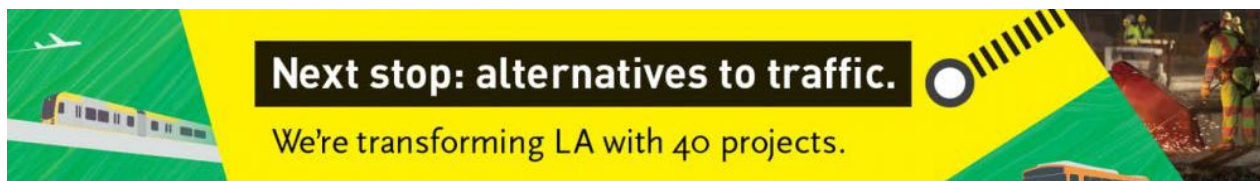
Purple Line Extension: Utility Potholing on Constellation Blvd East of Avenue of the Stars

Starting Monday, February 17 the construction contractor continued with utility potholing on the north side of Constellation Blvd. to identify utility and soil conditions near the future station entrance. Night-time lane and sidewalk closures will be required for this work. All other lanes and sidewalks will remain accessible. To learn more, click [here](#).

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

" Human greatness does not lie in wealth or power, but in character and goodness... All people have faults and shortcomings, but all of us are born with a basic goodness."

~ Anne Frank



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