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### **Metro Suspended All Service to Keep Customers and Employees Safe**

On Saturday evening, we made the difficult decision to suspend bus and rail service in the interest of the safety of our riders and employees. Approximately 62 Metro buses have been vandalized on city streets during these widespread/countywide damaging protests, which impacts our ability to provide transit services for our customers. Efforts were made by Metro — using buses and other vehicles — to help those stranded get home and we sincerely apologize to anyone who did end up stranded.

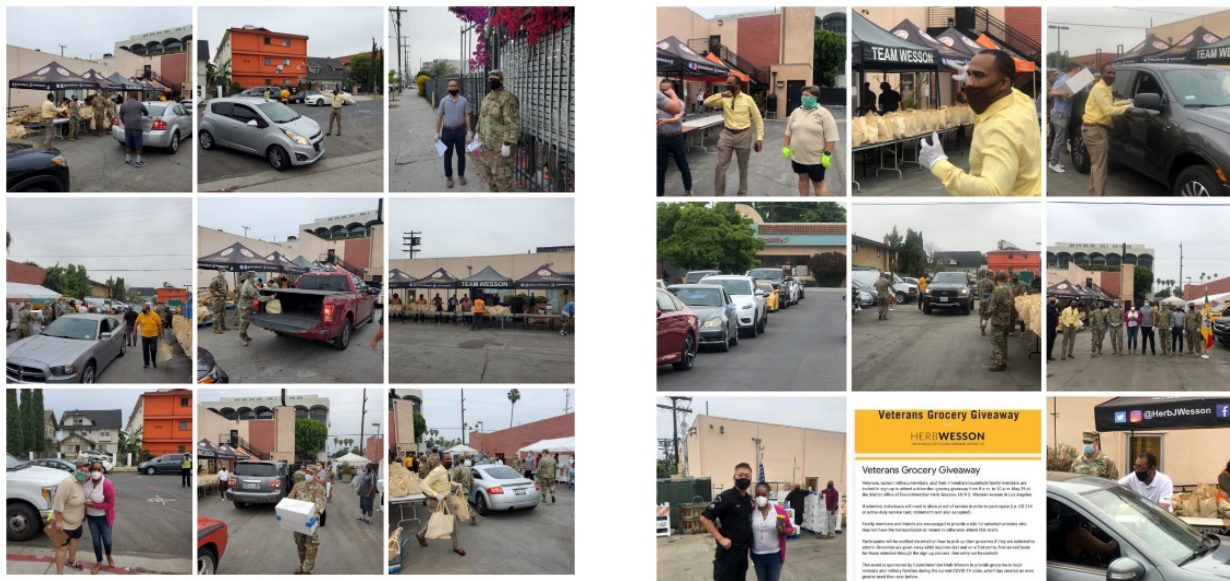
For people who were able to get rides and used Uber, Lyft or taxi to replace a Metro trip, Metro will provide reimbursement for verifiable replacement trips with receipts that are made with these services. We are asking patrons to contact Metro Customer Relations today at 323.GO.METRO

(323) 466-3876 for additional reimbursement information. Thank you to our frontline employees for doing all they could to keep Metro customers and the Metro system safe.

### **Metro Veterans Program and Partners Support Veterans Food Drive**

On Friday May 29, Veteran Program Manager, Dennis Tucker assisted in support of coordinated efforts on behalf of City Council President Herb Wesson-District 10, LA Metro, in partnership with City of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Recruiting Battalion- Coastal Recruiting Company, and 1st Battalion, 144th Field Artillery National Guard Unit to bring the 10th District a post-9/11 currently serving Active Duty, National Guard and Army Reserve Grocery Distribution.

This joint forces venture with LA Metro, World Harvest Food Bank, Los Angeles Recruiting Battalion, 1st Battalion, 1/144th Field Artillery (National Guard), Military Spouse Lauren Duncan and over 26 military volunteers was a synchronized effort that required vigorous organization and set-up and allowed volunteers to distribute nourishing, safe food to our veteran community during this COVID-19 pandemic. Food and grocery items were distributed to over 300 veteran families and individuals at risk of hunger. I want to thank Herb Wesson, District 10 in partnership with Metro, City of Los Angeles and all other Active Duty, and National Guard units, and agencies for being there to upkeep these incredible efforts.



### **COMTO Small Business Toolbox Webinar**

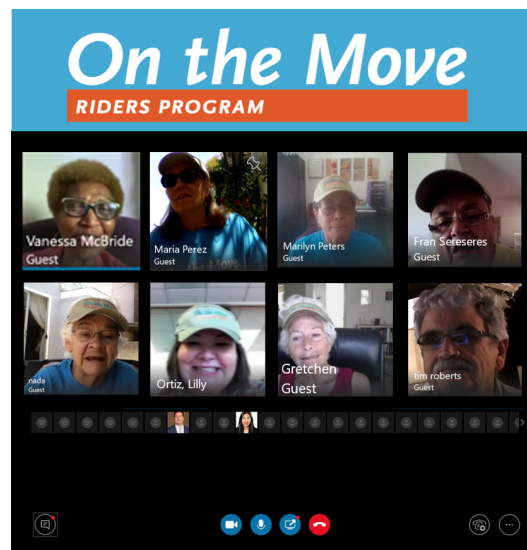
The National Conference of Minority Transportation Official's (COMTO) Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) Sub-Committee hosted a Small Business Toolbox Webinar, on May 14, as part of their ongoing Small Business Practices Series. Tashai Smith, DEO of Small Business Programs in DEOD, V/CM, represented Metro on the panel. A quote from Frederick Douglas, the abolitionist and statesman, was the organizing theme of the program, "if there is no struggle, there is no progress". That quote is especially relevant during these pandemic tainted times. The powerhouse panel discussion included a representative from Hill International addressing Safety and Health and the

Broward County Director of Economic and Small Business Development moderated the event.

From staying informed of COVID-9 impacts, including financial preparedness, understanding business and legal implications, continuity in contracting, and remaining vigilant, were strategies for Small Business covered by Tashai Smith and were well received by the national audience. With her 22 years of experience in small business support, the information shared regarding Metro proved invaluable.

### Events Culminating Older Americans Month

To culminate Older Americans Month, Metro On the Move Riders Program (OTMRP) hosted two exciting events last week. On Tuesday, May 26, the team hosted its annual Travel Buddy Recognition Luncheon. Senior Leadership from Communications were on hand to salute the volunteers at the virtual event that honors the volunteer Travel Buddies who educate older adults in their community on the joys of riding public transportation. This past Friday, May 29, OTMRP and Metro Art co-hosted a virtual *Raised on Records* Dance Party on Facebook Live. Plenty of guests logged on and joined OTMRP for this virtual event to commemorate the countless contributions that older adults make to our lives and our nation.



### Procurement Postings

#### Renewal of Salesforce Licenses (IFB) - Small Business Prime

Metro released an Invitation for Bids (IFB) to renew Salesforce licenses. **This solicitation is open to Metro Certified Small Businesses only.** The procurement process blackout period is expected to run from Friday, May 29, 2020 through Monday, July 06, 2020.

Metro is seeking contractor to renew the Salesforce licenses. The license renewal is for the Communication Department to continue the use of the Salesforce licenses already in place.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and

may only be answered by Annie Duong, Principal Contract Administrator at (213) 418-3048.

#### HVAC Water Treatment Services at Metro Headquarters (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking the services of a qualified firm to support a comprehensive HVAC water treatment program at Metro Headquarters (USG) building located in Los Angeles, California. The procurement blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, May 28, 2020 through Wednesday, July 15, 2020.

Contractor shall provide qualified water technologists, all chemicals and incidental materials and equipment necessary to maintain the quality and standards specified in the scope of work for Metro Gateway Headquarters HVAC. The contractor shall also provide water treatment chemicals and analytical services.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Rommel Hilario, Principal Contract Administrator, (213) 922-4654.

#### Gateway Headquarters Building and Union Station East Portal Elevator and Escalator Maintenance and Repair Service (RFP)

Metro released a Request for Proposal (RFP) seeking the services of a qualified contractor to provide comprehensive preventative maintenance, servicing, repairs, cleaning, inspections and tests for the elevator, escalators and their associated systems and equipment for Gateway Headquarters Building and the adjacent Union Station East Portal. The procurement blackout period is expected to run from Thursday, May 28, 2020 through Friday, September 4, 2020.

Unless otherwise distinctly specified, all services to be provided shall conform to the requirements of the California Code of Regulations, Title 8. Industrial Relations, Division 1, Department of Industrial Relations, Chapter 4, Division of Industrial Safety, Subchapter 6. Elevator Safety Orders and ASME A17.1 (current edition) including all errata, interpretations and revisions thereto.

Any inquiries concerning this procurement action during the blackout period must be directed to and may only be answered by Rommel Hilario, Principal Contract Administrator, (213) 922-4654.

### **Construction Notices: Purple Line Extension, Regional Connector, I-5**

#### Purple Line Extension Project: K-Rail Work Zone Enclosures

Wilshire Blvd. between San Diego Way and La Jolla Ave. will be reduced to two lanes in each direction. Two K-Rail work zones will be implemented to support ongoing mitigation efforts in the Wilshire Blvd./Crescent Heights Blvd. area starting Monday, May 11, 2020, through Friday, August 14, 2020. Street parking will be restricted. To learn more, click [here](#).

#### 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

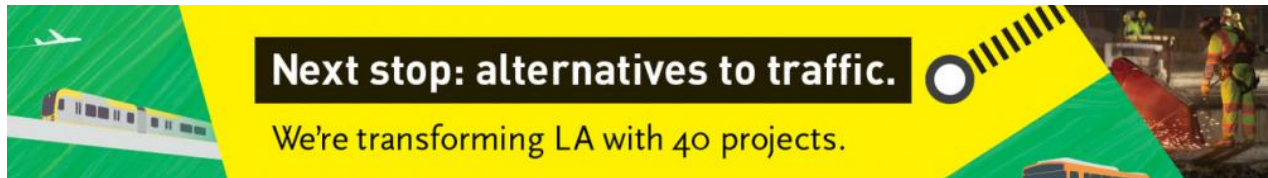
brings it one step closer to testing and revenue operation. To learn more, click [here](#).

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

" I'm no longer accepting the things I cannot change... I'm changing the things I cannot accept."

~ Angela Davis

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6:30am - 7pm (Monday - Friday)

8:00am - 4:30pm (Saturday/Sunday)