



# NEWS

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## ***MEDIA ADVISORY***

### HOMEBOYS LOST JOBS IN BAKERY FIRE

### **MTA HIRES HOMEBOYS TO BEAUTIFY EASTSIDE PROPERTY; MTA AND PROYECTO PASTORAL NONPROFIT GROUP TO MARK START OF WORK**

**WHAT:** MTA, Proyecto Pastoral and North East Trees will announce the beginning of the Beautification Project for three MTA Eastside properties as part of their efforts to maintain and upkeep those Eastside properties. The work to be done will be fencing and landscaping. Proyecto Pastoral is a nonprofit organization which trains and employs at-risk youth from the Eastside community. The project will cost \$134,640. The labor will be provided by Homeboy Industries, whose members lost their jobs in the Oct. 29 Homeboy Bakery fire. The design of the fence and landscaping was done by North East Trees. The locations are: Soto St. & César Chávez Ave; First St. and Boyle Ave; First St. and Lorena St. The properties were bought to build an Eastside Metro Rail Line subway extension, however, the project to the Eastside was suspended by the MTA Board of Directors in 1998. A study is underway to consider what should be done with the land.

**WHO:** James L. de la Loza, MTA Executive Officer Regional Transportation Planning & Development  
Father Gregory Boyle, Proyecto Pastoral  
Nick Pacheco, Councilman 14<sup>th</sup> District  
Cara Gold, Homeboy Industries Manager  
Lynne Dwyer, Executive Director North East Trees

**VISUALS:** Members of Homeboy Landscaping will begin working on the fencing and landscaping.  
Family members of Homeboy Bakery employees

**WHEN:** 11 a.m. Monday, December 6, 1999

**WHERE:** Soto Ave. and César Chávez Blvd.  
Boyle Heights  
Los Angeles Map: 635 B-4

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