# Chief Communications Officer Report

EMAC January 17, 2008



# **Ridership and Revenue**

Revenues up from last year (Dec)

Budget: 3.5%
Actual: 16.1%

Boardings down from last year (Dec)

Budget: -0.9%
Actual: -4.6%



### **Customer Relations Improving**

- Increased calls answered by 10%
- Reduced average wait time to only 2 min./46 sec.
- Decreased abandoned calls by 10%
- Increased Trip Planner transactions by 10%
- Received 165 customer commendations





### **Advertising Revenue Update**

- Two Rail Pilot Projects Ended 12/31/07
  Total 2007 Revenue: \$570,982
- New Advertising Contract Began 1/1/08
  - Rail Advertising: \$2,000,000 in 2008
  - Bus Advertising: \$20,000,000 in 2008
  - Guaranteed, Fixed-Price Basis
- Upcoming Advertisers
  - LA Marathon (1/22-3/2)
  - Indiana Jones Movie (4/14-6/8)





## 2007 Employer Sales Recap



- 6,463 Annual TAP Passes Sold
- 239 Annual TAP Worksites
- 1,525 Employer Sites Promote Metro
- 53,983 Metro Rewards Participants



## **College I-Pass Overview**

#### • LACCD

- Blanket Agreement Signed
- I-Pass Program Extended for 3 Years
- Rio Hondo
  - Metro teamed up with Foothill, Norwalk, Montebello and Sunshine Shuttle



#### **Metro Art Keeps Growing**

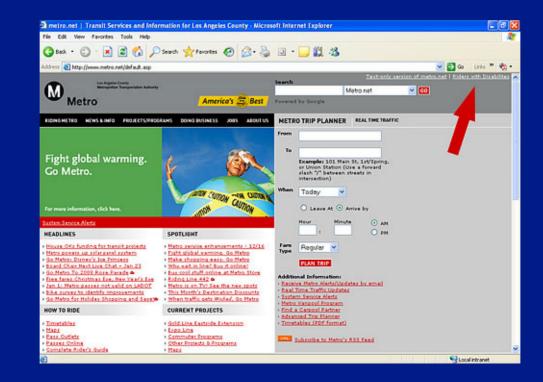
- 18 Metro Station Artwork Installations
   31 on the way
- 28,000+ people taken an Art tour
- 80% of attendees never taken transit
- Still world's only transit agency docent program





#### ADA/Mobile Website Upgrade

- Metro.net easier for Visitors with Disabilities
- ADA Version of Website
- Mobile Version of website





# **Fight Global Warming**

- E-Marketing Campaign:
  - Dailynews.com, Presstelegram.com, PasadenaStarNews.com, SGVTribune.com, Dailybreeze.com, Greenopia.com
- KCET-TV Promotion
- Supports Metro's Green Initiative





#### **2008 Metro Calendars**

#### • Go Metro

- 15,000 Calendars Distributed
- Customer Appreciation Program
- Cable TV Show





#### **New Year's Resolutions**

New Go Metro

#### Campaign

- Metro Briefs
- Bus Car Cards
- Rail Posters
- Bus Advertising
- Web





# **TAP Pilot Program**

- Metro Customer Centers
- January Monthly/Weekly Passes on TAP Cards
- Informational Campaign
  - Posters
  - Brochures
  - FAQs

TAP is here! In January, your regular Metro Monthly or Weekly pass will be on a TAP card.

Details at the sales counter.



Starting January 25, 2008, this customer center will sell TAP cards instead of paper passes. Your regular Metro Monthly or Weekly pass will be loaded onto a TAP card, which you can re-load and use again and again.



