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| **Monday, December 10, 2012 121210-1**  **In this Issue:**  **Citizens' Advisory Council Recognizes Metro Board Director John Fasana as Person of the Year**  **Los Angeles Times Working on a Fare Enforcement Article**  **On the Move Riders Club Helps Older Adults Ride Public Transportation** |
| **Citizens' Advisory Council Recognizes Metro Board Director John Fasana as Person of the Year**  Metro's Citizens’ Advisory Council (CAC) presented Metro Board Director, John Fasana, and Duarte City Council Member, with the CAC Person of the Year 2012 award at their monthly executive board meeting last Friday. Director Fasana was recognized for enhancing public transit and the quality of life for residents of Los Angeles County by serving on the Metro Board for nearly 20 years and his commitment to mass transportation and the improvement of bus and rail services. Director Fasana, who served as Mayor of Duarte for several years, has also held positions on committees at the Southern California Association of Government committees, and served on the Foothill Transit Board and as chair of the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. Current Duarte Mayor Margaret Finlay and Mayor Pro Tem Liz Reilly also recognized Director Fasana for his work to improve mobility throughout the region and provide leadership focused on the safety, efficiency, reliability and quality of public transportation services. The CAC members, appointed by the Metro Board, meet twice a month to discuss transit programs and provide feedback from the community to the Board.  **Los Angeles Times working on a Fare Enforcement Article**  A reporter from the Los Angeles Times interviewed Metro and Sheriff’s staff regarding a story on how Metro checks payment of fares on the Metro Rail system, especially during transfers between rail lines at 7th St./Metro Center. Staff indicated that Metro is working to relocate more validation machines on the path of the passengers when they get out of the Red/Purple Lines to the Blue/Expo Lines. A story will run later today on the Los Angeles Times blog.  **On the Move Riders Club Helps Older Adults Ride Public Transportation**  On the Move Riders Club is part of Metro's outreach to older adults. Project Manager Lilly Ortiz visits senior citizen centers around Los Angeles County to teach older adults about the benefits of public transit and familiarize them with local transportation options, whether it be Metro, Foothill Transit, local Dial-A-Ride or one of the other municipal operators. Once On the Move Riders Club is established at a center, older adults have access to a new support system of travel-savvy friends and tailor-made club activities, such as group sight-seeing trips or one-on-one trips to the grocery store or doctor. Ortiz also connects inexperienced riders with travel buddies - older adults who are experts at navigating bus and rail transit and trained on how to help their peers. On the Move Riders Club is now forming groups throughout Los Angeles County. To find a group, email [onthemove@metro.net](mailto:onthemove@metro.net). To read the complete news release, please click [here](http://www.metro.net/news/simple_pr/on-the-move-riders-club-helps-older-adults-ride-pu/).  [**http://www.metro.net/news/simple\_pr/on-the-move-riders-club-helps-older-adults-ride-pu/**](http://www.metro.net/news/simple_pr/on-the-move-riders-club-helps-older-adults-ride-pu/) | |
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