
Snoble Honors Train Safety Volunteers at Luncheon

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(April 2, 2002) Fifty volunteers who bring train safety messages to neighborhoods along Metro Rail corridors were honored by CEO Roger Snoble during an MTA luncheon, March 25.



CEO Roger Snoble addresses train safety volunteers during a luncheon at MTA Headquarters.

"You deserve an Academy Award for the work that you are doing on behalf of the safety of people," said Snoble.

Attending the event were volunteers from the MTA, Los Angeles Police Department, Sheriff's Department, Fire Department, Alameda Corridor Project, Metrolink, Amtrak, the Public Utilities Commission and the community.

The volunteers, most of them trained by the national Operation Lifesaver organization on how to communicate safety tips to a variety of audiences, received certificates of appreciation from Paul Lennon, managing-director of the Office of System Safety and Security.

System safety manager Abdul Zohbi and Public Affairs Manager Lynda Bybee also presented the volunteers with safety awards.

"This makes me feel so good," exclaimed Kathleen Johnson, as she stepped up to receive her certificate. An MTA assistant auditor, Johnson volunteers to travel to school campuses near the Metro Blue Line to warn students about risky behavior near trains and tracks.

The MTA train safety volunteers are Tony Andersen, Liz Armijo-Holbrook, Rudy Beuermann, Pat Clark, Frank Clarke, Jess Godinez, Bill Moore, Albert Ramirez, Yolanda Rosales, Cynthia Shavers, Joe Vicente, Denise Charles, Joanne Longsdon, LAPD Officer Connie Guerrero, Kathleen Johnson, Andrea Smith and Cristine Coronado.

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