

It takes a village...

Los Angeles City Councilman Eric Garcetti presents commendation to MTA Board Chairman John Fasana for MTA's role in development of affordable housing in Hollywood at groundbreaking ceremonies held May 3.

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MTA Board Chairman John Fasana, fourth from left, joined city officials and Hollywood residents to celebrate the start of construction of Phase II of an affordable housing complex rising on the grounds above the Hollywood Western Metro Rail Station. Known to residents as "transit village," the complex provides access to the Metro



Rail system, which links residents with jobs, schools, hospitals shopping, culture and recreation throughout Los Angeles County. Now open, the first phase of "transit village" already provides 60 units of affordable housing for low-income families. Construction of Phase II will provide a day care center, 61 one- to four-bedroom apartments and a 9,000-square-foot retail center. Completion of the \$14 million dollar project is expected in 2003. Developed by the nonprofit Hollywood Community Housing Corporation and McCormack Baron Salazar Inc., "transit village" is built on land leased from the MTA.

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