

South Bay, Westside/Central GMs Meet Their Constituents



GM Tracy Daly is joined by MTA Board Member Paul Hudson at LACMA reception.



GM Dana Coffey, right, greets city officials and civic leaders from the South Bay region.

(Dec. 13, 2002) General managers from two service sectors with some of the region's heaviest traveled bus routes formally introduced themselves to their constituents this week.

General Manager Dana Coffey greeted representatives from cities in the South Bay sector at a luncheon at the Carson Community Center. General Manager Tracy Daly held a reception for representatives of Westside/Central cities at the LA County Museum of Art.

Also attending the events were representatives of local, county, state and congressional officials, civic groups and employee unions.

Introduced by CEO Roger Snoble and Deputy CEO John Catoe, the general managers outlined their priorities for providing safe, efficient transit service to the communities in their service sectors.



As the GM responsible for Operations Central Instruction, Coffey emphasized employee training. OCI expects to start training operators sometime next year using a driving simulator that will replicate driving conditions and emergency situations.

Above, CEO Roger Snoble talks with City of Carson City Manager Jerome Grooms at the Carson reception hosted by GM Dana Coffey. Below, Deputy CEO John Catoe and West Hollywood Division Transportation Manager Ron Reedy enjoy the reception at LACMA hosted by GM Tracy Daly.

"With today's technology, it's crucial that our employees are trained to do the job at the best level they can," Coffey said.

"We want to continue to build high-performing team that will provide better service."

Preventing accidents will be "a top priority in keeping our employees and passengers safe and increasing the mobility of traffic," Daly said. "A bus accident on the Westside affects a lot more than the passengers on board."



The Westside/Central sector already is responding to transit needs adding bus trips to better serve patrons.

"In good and bad economic times, transit and transportation are critical," Daly said. "Transit is more than transportation. Transit is education; transit is jobs; transit is people caring about other people."

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