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Metro Helping Boyle Heights Businesses During Construction

- Mexican restaurant among those receiving mitigation

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(Feb. 3, 2005) Metro Community Relations is helping Boyle Heights businesses – including a local restaurant known for tasty, inexpensive Mexican food – during construction of the Metro Gold Line's Eastside extension.

And, if good things come in small packages, Restaurant Santa Cecilia at 1707 Pleasant Ave. proves that good food can be found in tiny restaurants.

Recently praised in the *Los Angeles Times* for its fresh, flavorful food, Restaurant Santa Cecilia has long been a favorite of Metro staff members working on the light rail line project.

The restaurant, open daily from 9 a.m. to midnight, is only a short drive from Metro Headquarters.

Chef Armando Salazar offers a varied and authentic menu (ask him about the *costillitas*). Meals average under \$8 and the restaurant offers carryout service. Parking is available in the rear.

Located near the construction site, the restaurant will witness the tremendous changes beginning at 1st Street and Boyle Avenue when Metro's contractor begins tunneling the underground section of the light-rail line and constructs the Boyle Heights/Mariachi Plaza underground station.

Metro Community Relations has helped Restaurant Santa Cecilia advertise its tasty, but inexpensive food as part of the mitigation efforts for local businesses.