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Interns pause in the lobby of the Rail Operations Center, anchored by assistant manager Bob Baker on the left.

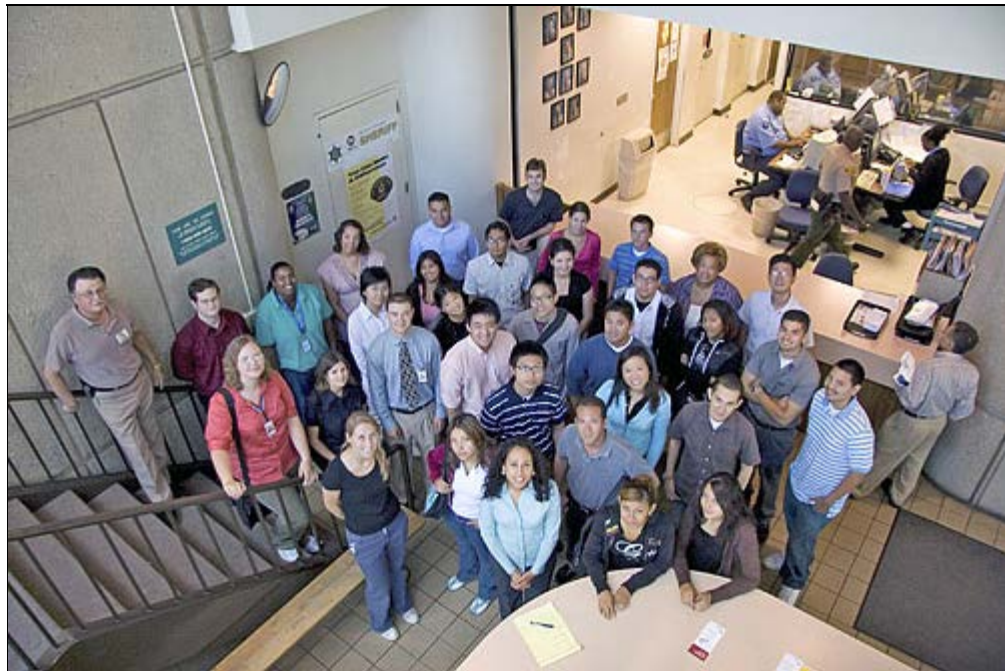


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## Metro Interns Impressed with Visit to the Rail Operations Center

By JENNIE HARRIS

(July 17, 2007) Some 30 Metro interns toured the Rail Operations Center, July 11, where they were briefed on the train control and security surveillance systems.

The tour, led by Bob Baker, assistant manager of rail division transportation, was part of the agency's effort to familiarize interns with Metro's wide range of responsibilities.

Baker's briefing included an explanation of train control operations for the Metro Red, Purple, Blue, Green and Gold Lines. The group also observed security surveillance activities in the closed-circuit TV area.

To demonstrate the flexibility and power of the surveillance cameras, one CCTV observer zoomed in on a passenger close enough to see what magazine he was reading – drawing laughter from the interns.

Community relations intern Shawn Mitsky appreciated the complexity of running a rail system. "I feel more comfortable and confident in riding Metro now that I know Bob and others are actively concerned with my safety."

Organizational Development Intern Dianne Sirisut said, "The attendance

was great and I feel like the interns really enjoyed themselves. [They] had a great opportunity to meet other interns from different departments.”

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