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In the control room of the Rail Operations Center, five of Santa's helpers hold some of the toys donated to the Fred Jordan Mission for Skid Row Kids. From left are RTOS Espie Diosdado; CCTV Observer Lucy McIntyre; RTOS Amador Silva; Secretary Lupe Delgadillo and RTOS Ruben Ramirez.



Photo by Ned Racine

## Rail Operations Center Conducts First Fred Jordan Toy Drive

- ROC simultaneously gathers non-perishable items for its food drive

By NED RACINE

(Nov. 21, 2007) The Rail Operations Center (ROC) has begun gathering toys and food for its first contribution to the Fred Jordan Mission for Skid Row Kids. Metro will donate the items to the mission, Dec. 10, during an event in front of the Gateway Building.

"I was volunteered to go the [planning] meeting, and I liked the idea," said Amador Silva, a rail transportation operations supervisor, and one of the ROC toy drive coordinators. He's hoping 100 percent of the approximately 100 ROC staff members will contribute.

And, noting the brightly wrapped bins in the control center for donated food, Silva added, "We want to fill these."

"We hope we can continue this for many years to come," said Rail Transportation Operations Supervisor Ruben Ramirez, who reminded rail division staff that the ROC is open for donations 24 hours a day, seven days a week through Dec. 6.

### Toy Drive Coordinators for Rail Divisions

Line	Coordinator
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Blue Line	Rose Mendoza
	Ramon Reilly
	Gladys Nuila
Gold Line	Josie Robles
	Jose Serrano
Green Line	Jennie Johnson
Red Line	John Sanchez
	Martin Jurado
Rail Operations Center	Amador Silva
	Patricia Alexander
	Ramona Escareno