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MTA OPENS METRO INFORMATION OFFICE IN EAST L.A.

The MTA will open Wednesday, Jan 31, 1996, a new field office in East Los Angeles to provide information related to the construction of the Metro Red Line East Side Project.

The new field office will be located at Mariachi Plaza, near First Street and Boyle Avenue. Mariachi Plaza is the second of seven subway portals planned for East Los Angeles.

"This field office is a symbol of MTA's commitment to the East Side," said MTA interim Chief Executive Officer Joseph E. Drew. "The community is encouraged to come and receive information about construction activities, maps, brochures and fact sheets, as well as schedules on MTA bus and rail services."

The community is invited to attend the opening ceremony at 1634 Pleasant Avenue, Los Angeles, on January 31, between 4 and 8 p.m.

"Opening this office is the first step in the establishment of a MTA presence in the Boyle Heights community in anticipation of the start of Red Line construction in 1997," Drew said.

The Metro Red Line extension into East Los Angeles will span 6.8 miles from Union Station to Atlantic Boulevard. The project will be built in two phases. The first phase is planned to open in 2003.

The first four stations will be located at Little Tokyo, First Street and Boyle Avenue, Cesar Chavez Avenue and Soto Street, and First Street and Lorena Avenue.

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