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**MTA AND THE BUS RIDERS UNION HOLD A COMMUNITY MEETING JUNE 12 ON NEW BUS SERVICE PILOT PROJECTS; SAN FERNANDO VALLEY MEETING ALSO SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 23**

MTA joins the Bus Riders Union in hosting a series of community meetings this month to hear public input and ideas about new and additional bus service to jobs, medical services, worship, culture, and entertainment venues.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 12 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Wilshire United Methodist Church in Los Angeles.

Under the October 1996 Civil Rights Consent Decree between the MTA and the Bus Riders Union (BRU), one of the benefits to the bus riding public is a pilot project of at least 50 additional buses to provide new service to areas the bus system presently does not service.

Where do you and your neighbors live and where do you need to go that the bus system presently does not serve? In particular, MTA and the BRU are concerned about inner city neighborhoods that need longer distance transit to outlying employment and medical facilities.

Both the MTA and the BRU have been working together and are responsible for the planning of this pilot project. The public and community groups are encouraged to attend the community meetings and give MTA and BRU advice and input.

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The remaining community meetings to be hosted by the MTA and the Bus Riders Union during the month of June include:

*Thursday, June 12, 1997*

*7 p.m.*

Wilshire United Methodist Church  
4350 Wilshire Blvd.  
Los Angeles

*Monday, June 23, 1997*

*7 p.m.*

Kaiser Permanente Hospital  
North 2 Building -- Conference Room CDE  
8250 Woodman Avenue  
Panorama City

*Wednesday, June 25, 1997*

*7 p.m.*

Boyle Heights Senior Center  
2839 East 3<sup>rd</sup>. Street  
Boyle Heights

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