

MTA's Metro Gateway Cities Service Sector to Hold a Town Hall Meeting April 24 in Paramount

MTA's Metro Gateway Cities Service Sector, which includes cities in Southeast Los Angeles County, will hold a Town Hall meeting in the City of Paramount at Progress Park, 15500 Downey Avenue on Thursday,

April 24. Childcare will be provided and the presentation on bus service in the community will be held between 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The Paramount Town Hall meeting was scheduled in coordination with the City of Paramount to provide transportation information relevant to the transit interests of the community. In addition to presenting information on bus transit, public comment is encouraged on how bus service can be improved in the City of Paramount and surrounding areas.

MTA began decentralizing its bus operations last summer by implementing five community-based transit service sectors designed to improve bus service by soliciting community input and working with city staff to help improve the reliability, customer satisfaction and trip planning opportunities for patrons who rely on MTA services. An additional sector was also created for rail operations.

Rich Rogers, Gateway Cities sector General Manager, has been meeting with representatives of the 26 cities (and areas of unincorporated LA County) in the Gateway Cities sector area to better understand the transit needs of their communities.

"We encourage the public to attend this Town Hall meeting and give us their opinions about bus service in Paramount and neighboring cities," said Gateway Cities General Manager Rich Rogers. "We are specifically looking for public comment and suggestions on how we can improve service. My goal is to conduct these Town Hall meetings in all of the cities we serve to better understand the interests and needs of our bus riders throughout the Gateway Cities."

One remaining Town Hall meetings is scheduled for the City of Bellflower on April 29 at 6 p.m. in the Green Room of their City Hall, located at 16600 Civic Center Drive.

For specific Metro route and schedule information visit MTA's Web site at www.mta.net and use MTA's trip planner or call 1-800-C-O-M-M-U-T-E. The Gateway Cities sector office is located in Downey at 7878 Telegraph Road. They can be reached by calling (213) 922-4395.

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