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Metro's Popular Dodger Stadium Express Service from Union Station and Harbor Gateway Transit Center to the Ballpark will Launch This Thursday

Metro will provide Dodger Stadium Express bus service from Union Station in downtown Los Angeles to Dodger Stadium for the 2016 baseball season, beginning with exhibition play between the Dodgers and Anaheim Angels on Thursday, March 31 and Friday, April 1 and for the season opener against Arizona on Tuesday, April 12. The service is provided under a grant approved by the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC).

In addition, Metro will offer Dodger Stadium Express service to the ballpark from Harbor Gateway Transit Center, which serves the South Bay area with buses traveling in Metro ExpressLanes along the I-110 Harbor Freeway.

Funding for the service between Union Station and Dodger Stadium is made in support of clean fuel transit service. The MSRC awards funding within the South Coast Air Basin from a portion of the vehicle registration fee set aside for mobile source projects that result in emission reductions. Funding for the Harbor Gateway Transit Center service is being provided by Metro's ExpressLanes Net Toll Reinvestment Grant Program.

Last year the Dodger Stadium Express bus service transported more than 245,000 fans. During the 2014 season the service transported more than 216,000 fans.

Funding under the MSRC and ExpressLanes grants will be used to offset the cost of fares on the Dodger Stadium Express for passengers possessing a Dodger ticket. Service from Union Station will be provided starting 90 minutes prior to the start of the games and ending 45 minutes after the close of the games. Service from the Harbor Gateway Transit Center will be provided starting two hours prior to the start of the games and ending 45 minutes after the close.

The Dodger Stadium Express from Union Station this year will begin at Union Station, picking up Dodger fans every 10 minutes in front of Union Station near the taxi zone adjacent to Alameda Street. It will continue to Dodger Stadium via Sunset Boulevard and Cesar Chavez Avenue. Passengers will be let off and picked up at one of two stops, either behind center field or at the top deck.

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From Harbor Gateway Transit Center, baseball fans can board buses located at Bay 9, with buses running every 20 minutes. Fans will be dropped off behind right field at Dodger Stadium. Service back to Harbor Gateway Transit Center will pick up patrons at the same stop after the game.

Dodger Stadium Express service includes a dedicated bus lane on Sunset Boulevard, where traffic congestion is frequently heaviest. Thanks in part to funding from the MSRC grant, Metro is partnering with the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) for traffic mitigation support that will help expedite trips to and from the games.

Metro will deploy state-of-the-art 40-foot, clean-burning compressed natural gas (CNG) buses. Dodger game day tickets will be honored as fare payment to ride the bus service. Those without a game day ticket will pay regular one-way fares of \$1.75 from Union Station and \$2.50 from Harbor Gateway Transit Center.

The Los Angeles Dodgers are working closely with Metro to ensure a high level of awareness for this service to Dodger Stadium and plan to continue to promote the service to fans during each game. The Dodger Stadium Express bus service will be provided by Transdev Transportation, Southland Transit and MV Transportation, under contract to Metro.

Patrons are encouraged to use the many transportation alternatives that serve Union Station to connect them with the Dodger Stadium Express. Metro operates the Metro Gold Line from East Los Angeles to Azusa, the Metro Red/Purple subway lines from Wilshire/Western and North Hollywood to downtown Los Angeles and the Metro Green Line between Norwalk and El Segundo, which intersects with the Metro Blue Line operating between Long Beach and downtown Los Angeles. In addition, the Expo Line from Culver City, with segment two of the line opening May 20, will offer service between Santa Monica and downtown Los Angeles. The Harbor Gateway Transit Center is served by several Metro bus lines, the Metro Silver Line and Torrance Transit.

For specific route and schedule information visit www.metro.net or call 323.GO.METRO (323.466.3876).

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