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METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION OPENING MARCH 5 WILL BRING NEW WAY TO EXPLORE A WEALTH OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY DESTINATIONS BY TRAIN

LOS ANGELES, CA – When the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) opens the Metro Gold Line Foothill Extension project on March 5, 2016, the new light rail extension will add six new stations that will provide connections to a wealth of destinations throughout San Gabriel Valley.

The \$1 billion, 11.5-mile rail line will travel between East Pasadena and Azusa and provide a transit alternative to the busy 210 freeway, offering access to major shopping, sports, recreation, medical and educational destinations.

Here are just a few places Angelenos will soon be able to reach as they “Rediscover Gold” on the new light rail line:

Arcadia Station (201 N. 1st Ave., Arcadia, CA 91006)

- [Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden](#) – transfer to Foothill Transit Bus 187 to easily reach the Arboretum, home to 127 acres of plants, historic buildings and peacocks galore.
- [Santa Anita Park](#) – this famous thoroughbred racetrack opened in 1934. It is considered by many to be the world’s most beautiful race track. Santa Anita Park is home to numerous prestigious races including the Santa Anita Derby and the Santa Anita Handicap, and has hosted the Breeders’ Cup multiple times.
- [Westfield Santa Anita](#) – as the largest shopping mall in the San Gabriel Valley, the Westfield Santa Anita is home to Coach, Michael Kors, Free People, Swarovski, Beard Papa, Dave & Buster’s, AMC Santa Anita 16 and – coming soon – Din Tai Fung’s flagship restaurant.

Monrovia Station (1651 S. Primrose Ave., Monrovia, CA 91016)

- [Old Town Monrovia](#) – transfer to Metro Line 270 and quickly reach Old Town Monrovia, a charming, small-town district with popular local restaurants, shops and a movie palace.
- [Mt. Sierra College](#) – founded in 1990, this college offers degree programs in information technology, media arts and business.
- **Historic Santa Fe Depot** – this former Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway depot was built in 1926. Though currently closed to the public, the City of Monrovia plans to restore/renovate the depot into a transit-oriented plaza.

Duarte Station (1777 Duarte Rd., Duarte, CA 91010)

- [City of Hope National Medical Center](#) – best known as a cancer treatment center, the hospital is also a clinical research center and graduate medical school. It was ranked as one of ‘America’s Best Hospitals’ in 2010 by U.S. News & World Report.
- [Justice Brothers Racing Museum](#) – the Justice Brothers – Edward Ray, Sr., Lawrence Milton and James Russell – were figures in motorsports and the founders of Justice Brothers, Inc., a worldwide manufacturer of car care products. The museum is a great place to learn about the evolution of motorsports and is home to vintage circle track racecars, restored classics, Indy cars and more.
- [Duarte Bike Path](#) – this Class 1 bike path parallels Royal Oaks Drive from Buena Vista Street to Royal Oaks Park for about 1.6 miles. The trail was built on an old Pacific Electric Railway track and connects to the San Gabriel River Bicycle path.

Irwindale Station (16017 Avenida Padilla, Irwindale, CA 91702)

- [Santa Fe Dam Recreational Area](#) – Get out of the city for a day! Bike or transfer to Foothill Transit Bus 185 to visit the Santa Fe Dam Recreational Area. The area includes a nature center. Recreational opportunities include cycling, fishing, boating, and hiking. The area also hosts the annual Renaissance Pleasure Faire of Southern California.
- [Huy Fong Foods Sriracha Hot Sauce Factory](#) – transfer to Foothill Transit Bus 185 to visit the factory that makes the popular Southeast-Asian style hot chili sauce. Tours are free but must be booked in advance. The best time to visit is during chili-grinding season: mid-September to late October.

Azusa Downtown Station (780 N. Alameda Ave., Azusa, CA 91702)

- **Downtown Azusa Business and Shopping District** – a Target store is right next to the rail station. A short walk away leads to numerous places to eat and drink. Notables include Max’s Mexican Cuisine, Congregation Ale House, City Café, Tardino Bro’s Italian Kitchen and Canyon City Barbeque.
- **Historic Santa Fe Depot** – this former Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway depot was built in 1931. Though currently closed to the public, the City of Azusa plans to rehabilitate and reuse the depot and turn the area into a fully functioning transit plaza.

APU/Citrus College Station (905 N. Citrus Ave., Azusa, CA 91702)

- [Azusa Pacific University](#) – founded in 1899, Azusa Pacific is a leading Christian university in California and has a more than 6,500 students. The university offers Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctorate degree programs.
- [Citrus College](#) – the oldest public community college in Los Angeles County, Citrus College has numerous Associate degree programs and continuing education courses.

For more information about the Gold Line Foothill Extension, visit metro.net/foothill.

About Metro

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