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Metro's Dodger Stadium Express Service from Union Station and Harbor Gateway Transit Center to the Ballpark Starts April 1

Metro will provide Dodger Stadium Express bus service from Union Station in downtown Los Angeles to Dodger Stadium for the 2017 baseball season, beginning with exhibition play between the Dodgers and Anaheim Angels on Saturday, April 1, and for regular season play on Monday, April 3, for the season opener against the San Diego Padres. The service is provided to all home games under a grant from the Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee (MSRC).

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

“This service has become a staple in getting in and out of Dodger Stadium without the hassle of traffic and parking, providing a real time savings for baseball fans, “ said Metro Board Chair John Fasana. “We are grateful to the continued funding by the MSRC that allows us to offer this popular service.”

The MSRC awards funding within the South Coast Air Basin from a portion of the state vehicle registration fee set aside for mobile source projects that result in emission reductions from cars and trucks. Funding for the Harbor Gateway Transit Center service is being provided by Metro's ExpressLanes Net Toll Reinvestment Grant Program.

The Dodger Stadium Express bus service has transported more than 1,225,188 fans since beginning in 2010. During the 2016 season, more than 225,000 fans rode the bus to Dodgers' games.

“Metro's system provides easy, convenient connections to get people to both Union Station and Harbor Gateway Center where they can then benefit from this direct service to Dodger Stadium,” said Metro CEO Phillip A. Washington. “This is a great example of how our overall system provides transit options to enhance the customer experience.”

Thanks to funding from the MSRC, fans with a ticket to the game can ride the Dodger Stadium Express for free; those without a ticket must pay the \$1.75 fare from Union Station or \$2.50 fare from Harbor Gateway. 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 beginning two hours prior to the start of the games and ending 45 minutes after the game is over.

The Dodger Stadium Express from Union Station will pick up Dodger fans every 10 minutes in front of Union Station near the Mozaic Apartment complex. Service 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.

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. Buses 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 game day traffic congestion is the 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 games.

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, firms that are 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 Santa Monica to Downtown Los Angeles offers those on the Westside great service to connect to the Dodger Stadium Express at Union Station. 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).

About Metro

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is unique among the nation's transportation agencies. Created in 1993, Metro is a multimodal transportation agency that transports about 1.3 million passengers daily on a fleet of 2,200 clean air buses and six rail lines. The agency also oversees bus, rail, highway and other mobility-related building projects and leads transportation planning and programming for Los Angeles County.

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