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May is Bike Month!

L.A. Metro to Celebrate Bike Month with Host of Activities to Introduce More Angelenos to the Benefits of Two-Wheeled Transportation

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) is celebrating Bike Month, a nationally celebrated campaign to showcase the benefits of bicycling for transportation, fitness and fun, and will host numerous bike-related activities throughout the month of May.

Metro and its partners will sponsor group rides, bicycle safety workshops and community-hosted events to encourage more L.A. County residents to pursue a healthier, more environmentally sustainable alternative to driving for one or more of their daily trips.

Key Bike Month initiatives and events include:

- All Month Metro Bike Share will offer special discounts for those enrolling in a 30-day pass on metro.net/bikeshare. Use the promo code MOREBIKES2019 at checkout to get 30 days of bike share for \$1.
- All Month Metro is offering discounts for those who sign up this month to use Metro's four Bike Hubs, which offer free, secured parking and bike maintenance facilities are located at Union Station, Hollywood and Vine, Culver City and El Monte Station. During Bike Month, riders can get 20 percent off on a year pass and a 30-day pass for just \$1. Sign up here.
- Saturday, May 4 Free Bike Class: Bike 1 Back to Basics in Palmdale. <u>Click here</u> for more information.
- **Sunday, May 5** Free Group Bike Ride: Sunday Funday Along the L.A. River from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. starting at the Metro Gold Line Lincoln/Cypress Station. <u>Click here</u> for more information.
- MAY 6, 8 and 9: Three community meetings are being held to look at potential routes for the L.A. River Path Project, which aims to fill the eight-mile gap in the river path between Elysian Valley and Maywood. Click here for more info.

- **Thursday, May 9** Free Bike Class: Bicycling 101 in Reseda from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. <u>Click here</u> for more information.
- Saturday, May 11 Free Bike Ride: Cyclofemme LA Downtown LA Tour de Murals from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. starting at the Metro Bike Hub at Union Station. <u>Click here</u> for more information.
- Saturday, May 11 Free Bike Ride: Bike Month Santa Clarita Trail Ride from 10 a.m. to 12
 p.m. starting at Valencia Heritage Park. Click here for more information.
- Monday, May 13 Free Bike Class: Bike 1 Back to Basics + Repair Clinic in East Hollywood from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Click here for more information.
- Tuesday, May 14 Blessing of the Bicycles, 8 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Good Samaritan Hospital.
 Annual event to promote bicycling and safety. <u>Click here</u> for more information.
- Thursday, May 16 Bike to Work Day. Metro and seven other transit agencies will offer free rides on public transit. Those who board with a bicycle or bicycle helmet on all Metro buses and trains will be allowed to ride free. Click here for more information.
- Thursday, May 16 Metro will also co-sponsor dozens of bicycle pit stops with refreshments
 and giveaways countywide. Metro will host its own pit stop at the Metro Bike Hub at Union
 Station. Click here for a map of pit stop locations.
- Saturday, May 18 Free Bike Class: Street Skills Ride in South Los Angeles from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Click here for more information.
- Sunday, May 19 Metro Presents: 626 Golden Streets: Mission to Mission from 9 a.m. to 4
 p.m. This Open Streets event will travel through South Pasadena, Alhambra and San Gabriel.
 Click here for more information.

Metro plays a critical role in supporting bicycling in Los Angeles County. Since 1993, the agency has funded hundreds of millions of dollars in bicycle projects. Metro's Active Transportation Program is now helping fill the gaps in the county's bicycle infrastructure. For a list of Metro bicycle initiatives, visit http://www.metro.net/bikes.

For a full list of Bike Month activities or to learn more about bike share offers, visit http://www.metro.net/bikemonth.

To stay connected to Metro's bicycle community during Bike Month and throughout the year on Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram with the @BikeMetro handle.

About Metro

Metro is a multimodal transportation agency that is really three companies in one: a major operator that transports about 1.4 million boarding passengers on an average weekday on a fleet of 2,200 clean air buses and six rail lines; a major construction agency that oversees many bus, rail, highway and other mobility related building projects; and the lead transportation planning and programming agency for Los Angeles County. Overseeing one of the largest public works programs in America, Metro is changing the urban landscape of the Los Angeles region. Dozens of transit, highway and other mobility projects largely funded by Measure R are under construction or in the planning stages. These include five new rail lines, enhanced bus operations, and numerous highway and local projects.

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