

## **Executive Summary**

### **Background**

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) considers all who reside, work and travel within Los Angeles County to be stakeholders of the agency. Residents, institutions, locally situated businesses, community-based organizations, religious leaders and the elected officials who represent them are particularly important in relation to public participation planning and outreach. Communications with the public is a continuum of involvement concerning service, fare changes, studies and initiatives, short and long range planning documents, environmental studies, project planning and construction and transit safety education.

This Public Participation Plan (Plan) has been assembled to capture the methods, innovations and measurements of the agency's commitment to meet and exceed the prescribed requirements of the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), including Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Circulars C 4702.1B citing recipients' responsibilities to limited English Proficient Persons, FTA Circular C 4703.1, guiding recipients on integrating principles of Environmental Justice into the transportation decision-making process, and Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Title VI program. The Plan is also consistent with Title VI, (non-discrimination regulations) of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 162(a) of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 and The Age Discrimination Act of 1975.

### **Overview**

Every three years Metro updates the Public Participation Plan per the requirements listed above. Since the last update in 2016, the following revisions have been made to the Draft 2019 Plan:

- Inclusion of Metro's Equity Platform Framework which was approved by the Metro Board of Directors in March 2018.
- Structural changes to the Metro Community Relations Department
- Updated case studies that reflect Metro's commitment to reach the public beyond traditional methods of outreach.

This Plan seeks input from the public to ensure we are doing the best we can to inform the public about our projects, programs and initiatives. The public comment period is open from Wednesday, March 6, 2019 thru Friday, April 12, 2019. After the public comment period closes, Metro staff will review comments and update the Plan based on any new outreach tools we believe can support our commitment to go above and beyond prescribed requirements. In fall of 2019, Metro staff will present a final document to the Metro Board of Directors for final review and approval.

For more information on the Plan visit [metro.net/communityrelations](https://metro.net/communityrelations)

## Public Comments

Public comments can be submitted by:

**Web Comment Form:** [metro.net/communityrelations](http://metro.net/communityrelations)

**Email:** [communityrelations@metro.net](mailto:communityrelations@metro.net)

**Mail:** LA County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Community Relations  
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

## Presentations

### March 6, 11am

Metro Technical Advisory Council  
Metro Headquarters, Mulholland Conference  
Room  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

### March 6, 6:30pm

San Fernando Valley Service Council  
Marvin Braude Constituent Center  
6262 Van Nuys Blvd,  
Van Nuys, CA 91401

### March 8, 9:30am

South Bay Cities Service Council  
Inglewood City Hall  
One Manchester Blvd  
Inglewood, CA 90301

### March 11, 5pm

San Gabriel Valley Service Council  
Metro Division 9 Building, El Monte Station  
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Service Council Room  
3449 Santa Anita Ave  
El Monte, CA 90031

### March 13, 5pm

Westside/Central Service Council  
Metro Headquarters, Board Room  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

### March 14, 10:30am

Accessibility Advisory Committee  
Metro Headquarters, Union Station Conference  
Room  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

### March 14, 2pm

Gateway Cities Service Council  
Salt Lake Recreation Center  
3401 E. Florence Ave  
Huntington Park, CA 90255

### March 27, 6pm

Citizen's Advisory Council  
Metro Headquarters, Union Station Conference  
Room  
One Gateway Plaza  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

### March 28, 6:30pm

Crenshaw LAX Project Update  
Inglewood City Hall  
1 W Manchester Bl  
Inglewood, CA, 90301