



**PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS
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The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:				
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments
17.	19	Favor	Jonathan Pacheco Bell	
		Oppose	Monisha Parker	<p>Amplifying the benefits of metro public transportation for low-income youth and young adults in Los Angeles County involves a multi-faceted approach that addresses accessibility, affordability, education, and community engagement. Here are several strategies to consider:</p> <p>1. Subsidized Fare Programs Youth Passes: Develop or expand discounted or free transit passes specifically for low-income youth and young adults. Income-Based Discounts: Implement income verification processes to provide fare discounts based on family income levels.</p> <p>2. Accessibility Improvements Expanded Service Hours: Extend service hours to accommodate the diverse schedules of youth who may work, study, or participate in extracurricular activities. Targeted Route Planning: Optimize bus and rail routes to better serve areas with high concentrations of low-income youth and young adults, including schools, community centers, and job hubs.</p> <p>3. Educational Outreach and Engagement Workshops and Training: Organize educational sessions in schools and community centers about how to use public transportation, including trip planning and safety tips. Peer Mentoring Programs: Establish mentorship initiatives where older youth help younger peers navigate the transit system.</p> <p>4. Partnerships with Schools and Organizations Collaborations: Partner with local schools, youth organizations, and nonprofits to raise awareness about public transportation benefits and resources. Field Trips: Offer school programs that include field trips utilizing public transportation to familiarize youth with the system.</p> <p>5. Job-Training and Employment Opportunities Transit-Linked Job Programs: Facilitate job training programs that not only teach valuable skills but also emphasize the importance of public transit in accessing job opportunities. Internships and Apprenticeships: Work with local businesses and government agencies to create internship opportunities accessible via public transit.</p>



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				<p>6. Community Advocacy and Feedback Youth Advisory Boards: Form boards that include young people to give feedback on transit services and advocate for their needs. Surveys and Focus Groups: Conduct regular surveys to assess the challenges faced by low-income youth in accessing public transportation and identify potential solutions.</p> <p>7. Enhanced Safety Measures Safety Programs: Implement programs that focus on safety for youth while using public transport, including transit safety workshops and outreach campaigns. Visible Security Presence: Increase the presence of security personnel on transit routes frequented by youth, particularly during peak hours.</p> <p>8. Marketing and Awareness Campaigns Targeted Information Campaigns: Utilize social media and other platforms popular with youth to disseminate information about public transportation options, benefits, and programs. Engaging Content: Create engaging storytelling or testimonials featuring youth who successfully utilize public transit for education or employment.</p> <p>9. Integration with Local Initiatives Support Local Events: Partner with community events and festivals to promote public transit options that help youth participate in local activities. Cooperation with Housing Programs: Work with housing developments for low-income families to ensure easy access to public transport options.</p> <p>10. Technology and Innovation Mobile Apps: Develop user-friendly mobile apps that offer real-time transit information, route planning, and fare payment options. Tech Training: Provide training sessions on using transit apps for trip planning and real-time schedule updates.</p> <p>By implementing these strategies, Los Angeles County can maximize the benefits of its metro public transportation system for low-income youth and young adults, ultimately helping them access education, employment, and other essential services.</p>
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19.		Favor	Jonathan Pacheco Bell	
		Oppose	Monisha Parker	<p>Strengthening the Expanding Metro LIFE Program in Los Angeles County through cross-agency collaboration involves strategic partnerships, resource sharing, and a unified approach to addressing transportation and related services needs. Here are some strategies to enhance this program:</p> <p>1. Establish a Collaborative Framework: Create a formalized structure for</p>



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collaboration among agencies, including transportation, health, social services, housing, and education. Designate liaisons in each agency to facilitate communication and streamline efforts.

2. Integrated Data Sharing: Develop a secure data-sharing platform that allows agencies to share relevant data related to transportation needs, usage patterns, and demographic information. This collaborative data approach can help tailor the Metro LIFE Program to better serve diverse communities.

3. Joint Resource Allocation: Pool resources for joint initiatives, such as community outreach programs, to promote the Metro LIFE Program. This could include shared funding for marketing materials, informational workshops, or outreach events targeted at underrepresented populations.

4. Cross-Training Initiatives: Implement cross-training programs for staff from various agencies. This fosters understanding of the different services available and equips agency representatives with the knowledge to better support clients in accessing the Metro LIFE Program.

5. Community Engagement Platforms: Utilize existing community organizations and networks to engage residents in program development and dissemination. Collaborate on town hall meetings and workshops where community members can share feedback on transportation needs and barriers.

6. Navigation and Support Services: Integrate navigation support services for residents, ensuring they have access to assistance in using public transport services effectively, particularly for vulnerable populations. This could involve partnerships with community-based organizations.

7. Regular Stakeholder Meetings: Schedule regular meetings involving key stakeholders from various agencies to review progress, discuss challenges, and share successful practices. This creates a continuous feedback loop that can lead to adjustments in programming as needed.

8. Leverage Technology: Utilize technology to improve the dissemination of information about the Metro LIFE Program, including mobile applications, social media, and community portals. Collaborating with tech companies or universities might also yield innovative solutions to improve accessibility.

9. Evaluate and Adjust: Implement a system for regular evaluation of cross-agency collaboration outcomes. Gathering data on services used, participant satisfaction, and overall effectiveness will help determine what works and what needs adjustment.

10. Policy Advocacy: Work collaboratively to advocate for policies that enhance public transportation accessibility, affordability, and safety, particularly for marginalized groups. This can create a more supportive environment for the Metro LIFE Program.

				By taking a holistic approach that emphasizes communication, shared resources, and a commitment to community involvement, the Expanding Metro LIFE Program can be significantly strengthened through cross-agency collaboration in Los Angeles County.
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