



METRANS on the Move: **our weekly newsletter written and produced by students**



In the News

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Delay in Maintenance Funding Becomes Latest Hurdle in Sixth Street Bridge Opening

The Los Angeles City Council decided on Friday to have the City Budget and Finance Committee consider \$706,000 in funding to remove graffiti on the recently opened Sixth Street Bridge near Boyle Heights. After the Public Works Committee recommended to approve the funds toward maintaining the bridge a week earlier, the council decided to pass the item to Budget and Finance rather than vote on it during Friday's meeting.

Read more [here](#).



Seattle-area kids can ride transit free starting Sept. 1

Seattle-area transportation agency Sound Transit will let children 18 and younger ride free on seven of its transit systems starting in September under a policy it announced at the end of July. The agency explained in the announcement it hopes the policy will "educate the next generation of riders" on how to use public transit and increase youths' access to school, jobs and after-school activities while minimizing bus drivers' fare compliance challenges.

Read the SMARTCITIESDIVE feature [here](#).



Ride-Hailing Drivers Struggle With Crime and Gas Costs

One February morning this year, Uber driver Abiodun Odebunmi picked up three passengers in downtown Chicago. One of the young men pointed a gun at him and demanded his car. “Please, I have three kids,” Odebunmi recalled begging the carjackers, who drove off in his Toyota minivan toward Lakeshore Drive.

Read the Bloomberg CityLab feature [here](#).



Diesel Drops Below \$5 for First Time Since March

The national average price of diesel dropped to less than \$5 a gallon for the first time since March, falling 14.5 cents to settle at \$4.993, according to Energy Information Administration data released Aug. 8.

Read the Transport Topics feature [here](#).

Webinars & Online Events

Webinar: Integrating Performance, Asset, and Risk Management is Value-Add Tuesday, August 23rd at 10:30 am PDT/1:30 pm EDT, hosted by TRB

Research and practice in the areas of transportation performance, risk, and asset management have added to transportation planning tools, methods, and strategies. Integrating these changes into historically-siloed management practices requires the earnest focus of an entire organization, including participation of practically every individual. TRB will host a webinar on Tuesday, August 23, 2022 from 1:30 – 3:00 p.m. Eastern that will offer suggestions on building a roadmap for integrated management within their agency. The tactical and strategic roadmap includes steps for organizational structure, change management and communication to enterprise systems, qualitative/quantitative analysis, build resiliency, and data governance.

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TRB Webinar: Considering Quality of Life in Transportation Planning and Development

Thursday, August 25th at 9:30a m PDT/12:30 pm EDT, hosted by TRB

There is a direct relationship between transportation investments and community resilience, equity, and sustainability. TRB will host a webinar on Thursday, August 25, 2022 from 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. Eastern that will explore how transportation agencies and state departments of transportation (DOTs) have ensured that quality-of-life considerations are comprehensively incorporated into community planning and project development processes through guidebooks, procedures, best practice research, and training. Presenters will also highlight experiences with developing and refining resources designed to incorporate community resources and impacts into transportation decision-making and project planning processes.

[More Info](#)

2022 People of Action Summit on Green Transportation and Clean Energy Saturday, September 10th at 8:00 am PDT (hybrid), hosted by MTI

Join Rotarians, community members, and industry experts in-person in San Jose, California – or online – on September 10, 2022 for new insights on green transportation and clean energy. Participate in presentations, discussions and demonstrations regarding present and future green transportation and alternate fuel solutions to create healthier, more sustainable communities, and mitigate the climate crisis from the perspective of policy, technology, practice, and equity. You'll be inspired to take action to amplify Rotary's support for our environment!

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Transport and the Triple Bottom Line Summit 2022: Transit Lessons Learned from the Pandemic

Friday, September 23rd at 10:00 am PDT (online), hosted by MTI

The Transport and the Triple Bottom Line Summit seeks to explore the concept of 'sustainable transport,' leaving attendees with a fuller understanding, and most importantly, a definition for the term. Panelists and speakers include an array of national experts, practitioners, and scholars on social equity and transport, the environmental impact of transport, financial mechanisms for secure and continuous operations, as well as, decision-makers currently involved in California's notable public-private partnerships.

[More Info](#)

WTS Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles Boat Tour

Thursday, September 29th at 5:00 pm PDT (in-person), hosted by WTS

Join WTS-LA, Port of Los Angeles, and Port of Long Beach in networking with the WTS-LA Directors at Large and other prominent industry leaders during an evening boat cruise through the ports. Cash bar and complimentary hors d'oeuvres available. A cash-based raffle will be available for prizes!! Cash bar sponsorships are available for small businesses. Please contact Heather Anderson at vp_programs@wtsla.org for more information.

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Rail~Volution 2022 Miami

Sunday, October 30th (in-person), hosted by Rail~Volution

The Rail~Volution conference looks at the whole community built around transit and connected mobility options. Find out how peers are getting projects done – from transit to housing – with an eye to the implications for health, safety, equity, sustainability, access to opportunity and overall quality of life.

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Fast Facts

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Analysis of Activity-travel Patterns and Tour Formation of Transit Users

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