

EnviroMetro Equity Survey

Where should Metro invest?

Our survey identified a robust need for investments in the bus network

Metro will be developing an equity framework in 2018. To inform that discussion, last year EnviroMetro surveyed Angelenos to tell us what they cared about when it comes to public transportation.

FINDINGS

Through open-ended questions, Angelenos were asked where they want to prioritize Metro investments. They said:

Frequent, reliable, and improved bus services from LA Metro

56%

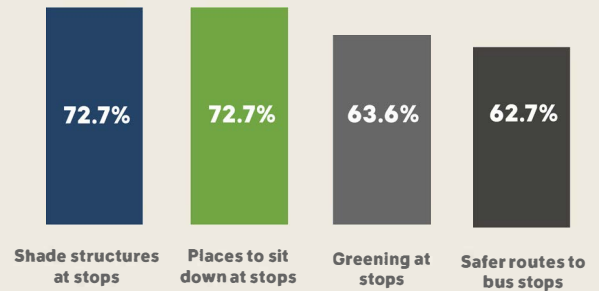
Improved rail service

17.8%

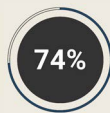
Reduced fares

15.1%

Participants were asked about gaps in bus infrastructure, and identified a need for:



323
ANGELENOS
SURVEYED INCLUDED



Responses in Spanish



Respondents who own a car



Respondents use public transit 4+ times per week

"Metro needs to prioritize urban greening, tree canopy, and bus shelters to protect current and future riders from heat (and rain)."

Fernando Cazares, Senior Program Manager—Climate Smart Cities, Los Angeles.

"Safe, comfortable, and cool routes to walk and bike to public transit stops remain few and far between in LA County."

Wesley Reutimann, Executive Director, Bike San Gabriel Valley

RECOMMENDATIONS

Angelenos surveyed stressed the need for investments in the existing bus network through:

More frequent, affordable, and reliable service

Dedicated bus-only lanes, or bus rapid transit

Cleaner busses and bus stops

Infrastructure at bus stops that provides adequate shading, shelter, etc.

OPPORTUNITIES

New funding sources such as Measures M and R, Propositions A and C, as well as state and federal dollars can help fund these recommendations.

The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update is a key opportunity for Metro to reorganize funds from these sources, and outline how Metro will spend our future transportation dollars.

NEXT STEPS

We at the EnviroMetro coalition encourage Metro to undertake robust equity-focused community engagement initiatives — initiatives that welcome historically-underserved community perspectives. By welcoming different perspectives, we can all better understand how Metro can best serve the needs of Angelenos.

"If we reward and encourage sustainable transportation behavior, we will unclog our streets and clean our urban air."

Bryn Lindblad, Associate Director, Climate Resolve

"Our communities have been very clear: we need more routes that run more frequently and investments in the existing bus network."

Omar Gomez, Program Manager, Nature For All