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**OPERATIONS, SAFETY, AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE COMMITTEE  
FEBRUARY 19, 2026**

**SUBJECT: OPERATIONS EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH**

**RECOMMENDATION**

RECOGNIZE Operations Employees of the Month.

**ISSUE**

The Operations Department is celebrating two Employees of the Month (EOM) for February 2026. This presentation will highlight the EOMs' work ethic, tenure, and outstanding achievements, among other respectable attributes.

**EQUITY PLATFORM**

EOM nominations submitted to the Chief Operations Officer must be for frontline employees or field supervisors in a customer-facing role. Operations management is encouraged to nominate employees who have achieved excellence, went above and beyond their assigned job description, and are diverse in both genders/ethnicities. In addition, a review of the location, job responsibilities, and seniority is considered for final selections to ensure diverse representation among the various groups within the department. Operations also works with Logistics and the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to nominate employees at various Metro locations.

**VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED OUTCOME**

VMT and VMT per capita in Los Angeles County are lower than national averages, the lowest in the SCAG region, and on the lower end of VMT per capita statewide, with these declining VMT trends due in part to Metro's significant investment in rail and bus transit.\* Metro's Board-adopted VMT reduction targets align with California's statewide climate goals, including achieving carbon neutrality by 2045. To ensure continued progress, all Board items are assessed for their potential impact on VMT.

While this item does not directly encourage taking transit, sharing a ride, or using active transportation, it is a vital part of Metro operations, as it highlights frontline employees and field supervisors in the Operations, Logistics, and DPS Departments. Because the Board has adopted an agency-wide VMT Reduction Target, which generally supports the agency's overall function, it is consistent with the goal of reducing VMT.

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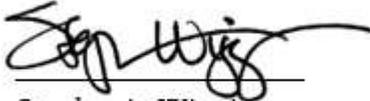
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\*Based on population estimates from the United States Census and VMT estimates from Caltrans' Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) data between 2001-2019.

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# February 2026

## Employees of the Month



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Operations, Safety, and Customer Experience Committee

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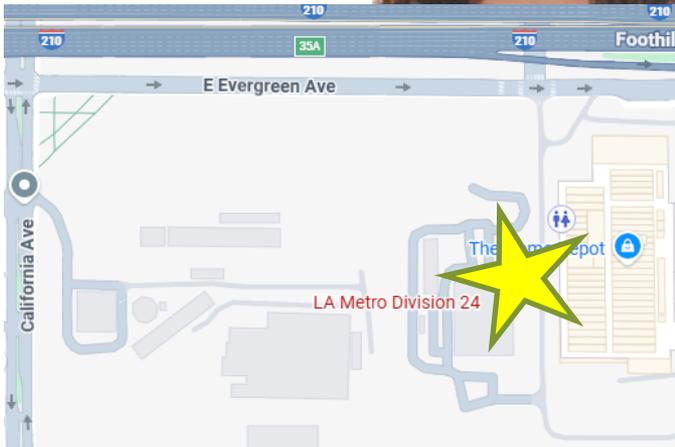
# February Employees of the Month



## Rail Transportation

Train Operator

Cruz Carillo

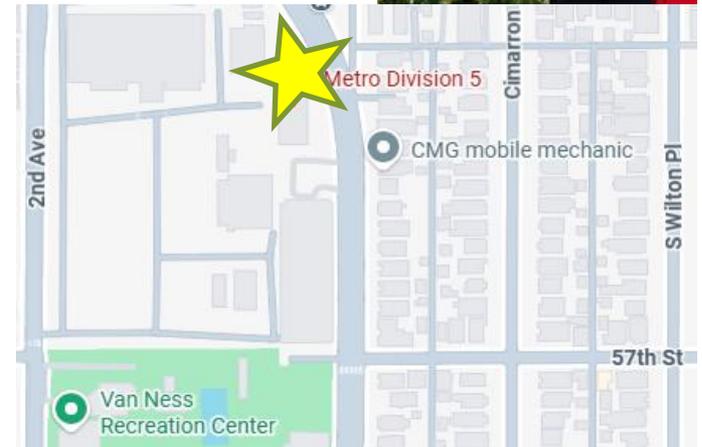


Division 24 – Monrovia

## Bus Maintenance

Equipment Service Supervisor

Tiffany Candelaria



Division 5 – Arthur Winston



# Employees of the Month



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