



Southern California Regional Transit Training Consortium

# The Communicator

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**Special points of interest:**

- First issue of SCRTTC newsletter is distributed
- Check the SCRTTC web site for course schedules and enrollment information www.scrttc.com The current course schedule covers the first 6 months of 2008.
- Chaffey College and San Diego Miramar College have joined the consortium. These additional colleges provide the SCRTTC with a broader area of geographic coverage for offering training courses.
- A mentor/internship program will be started in 2008 at Long Beach Transit. Long Beach City College, Cerritos College, and Golden West College have entered into a partnership with Long Beach Transit for this program. For additional information please contact Nina Babiarz, Training Coordinator, babiarz@scrttc.com

**Key Developments**

- The SCRTTC and ISE have entered into an agreement to develop training courses for Hybrid Bus Safety Training.
- In addition, the SCRTTC is in discussion with Thermo King to develop needed courses for Bus Air Conditioning Maintenance
- Both of these courses will be offered in 2008. Check the training schedule on the SCRTTC web site or contact Nina Babiarz for more information and course offering dates. Babiarz@scrttc.com or telephone 619-667-6636

## SCRTTC Completes 6348 Hours of Training

The SCRTTC has recently completed 6348 hour's of classroom training with the completion of the Electrical II Beta Course delivered at Culver City Transit. Starting from a modest beginning in December 2005, the SCRTTC has developed into a robust training program for transit properties in Southern California.



The first course offered was a Digital Volt Ohm Meter

Course ( DVOM) in December 2005, and delivered at Long Beach Transit. Since that initial class of 15 technicians, over 503 transit technicians and mechanics have attended classes sponsored by the SCRTTC.

The SCRTTC is a consortium of 14 transit properties and 14 Commu-

nity Colleges located in Southern California.

The combination of these two groups provides an opportunity to identify the hands on training for new and conventional technologies required to maintain today's bus and vehicle fleets, and to develop the training courses required to assure proper training is made available. More importantly, as more and more transit vehicles adopt Intelligent Transportation Systems, the maintenance workforce will be trained on the critical maintenance requirements for these new systems. For example, one of the major new technologies being addressed are the new hybrid busses being introduced in many of the transit properties.



**Our Report Card  
 FY 2007**

- Hours of Training— **3900**
- Goal ————— **960**
- Number of Students —**327**
- Goal ————— **60**
- Courses Developed— **4**
- Goal ————— **4**
- Student Evaluations—**3.75**
- Goal ————— **3.00**  
 (Four Point Scale)

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## Additional Funding Obtained by SCRTTC Partners

Rio Hondo College, one of the SCRTTC partners, was successful in receiving an Incumbent Workforce Development grant in partnership with the SCRTTC. The value of the grant was \$210,000. This grant, coupled with the Industry Driven Regional Collaborative grant of \$500,000

previously received, and our earmark of \$1.2 million will provide funding to continue the development and delivery of training for the next three-years as planned. Overall, the strength of both our product and our vision has been integral in getting our funding partners to recognize the value of investing in the SCRTTC

Program. Several future grant requests and partnerships are being developed to continue funding for the future. In addition, industry grants and foundations will be pursued to fund the SCRTTC program. Contact Dave Stumpo at dstumpo@aptrex.com for additional information.