



Southern California Regional Transit Training Consortium

The Communicator

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Special Points of Interests

- The consortium initiated a Mentor/Internship Program since last October. The initial presentations of the Mentor Program were recently offered at three colleges: Long Beach City College, Cerritos College, and Golden West College. A number of students from all three colleges participated in the sessions. Rick Operchuck of Long Beach Transit lead the sessions. In addition to the presentations, students were given a behind the scenes tour at the Long Beach Transit to get an overview of how a transit system works. Several students expressed an interest in future job opportunities. For more information contact Nina Babiarz at: Babiarz@scrttc.com or telecom at (619) 667-6636.
- Ralph Merced and Dave Stumpo attended the APTA Bus Operations Conference in Austin, TX in May. Ralph reported that there was considerable interest among conference participants in the development and success of the consortium. The SCR TTC continues to be viewed as a model Training Program for Transit Maintenance Technicians.

Key Developments

- Dave Stumpo, SCR TTC Program Manager attended a FTA Budget Workshop in Washington DC last month. This was a mandatory session to review the guidelines for managing FTA allocated funds for the SCR TTC.
- Peter Davis will be assuming the Chairmanship of the SCR TTC Economic Workforce Development Committee. Peter's experience and leadership will contribute significantly.

Training Today for a Better Tomorrow

SCR TTC Develops New Course Ware

Two new courses have been developed and released for delivery by the SCR TTC. In response to the Maintenance Managers from several of the Transit Properties involved in the SCR TTC, a new Air Conditioning Course and a new Electrical Maintenance Course were developed and released for instruction in May. In addition, several new courses are in development.



These include Brakes II, HVAC II, and a CNG Transit Vehicle Safety Course. Future course –

ware development includes Engines 8.3 and 8.9. The SCR TTC has now developed six courses for transit maintenance technicians. Development of these courses has been a collaborative effort between the transit properties and the colleges associated with the consortium. Content and course goals are established by

the transit users and the expertise of the colleges is used to develop the associated curriculum. The success of the consortium has made it possible to share this course ware with other areas of California. Presentations of the Digital Volt Ohm-Meter Course (DVOM) and Electrical I have been presented in the SF Bay and Fresno Area for a number of the transit properties. The course delivery was funded and provided by the ATTEi center colleges San Diego Miramar and West Valley Colleges. This demonstrates the ability to leverage the work of the SCR TTC to other areas of California. This a tremendous productivity improvement for transit in California. Below is a picture of



Members of the first HVAC

the first class that participated in the HVAC course, which was developed in cooperation with Santa Ana College.

Our Report Card FYTD 2008

- **Hours of Training** 9040
• Goal ————— 1110
- **Number of Students** 744
• Goal ————— 60
- **Courses Developed**— 6
• Goal ————— 4
- **Student Evaluations**--3.80
• Goal ————— 3.00
(Four Point Scale)

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SCR TTC Receives Third Round of Funding from FTA

The SCR TTC has received approval from the Federal Transit Administration for a third round of funding to continue the program. The \$380,000 award is part of the 2005 Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). The original funding earmarked for the SCR TTC pro-

gram was \$1.28 million in Research and Technology funds over a four year period. These funds were awarded to the SCR TTC to enhance and standardize transit training in the Southern California Region. In addition, the SCR TTC contributes to the Professional Capacity Building Program for the Transit Industry. This is a key goal of the Federal Transit



Administration and supports the effort by the FTA to advance the professional capabilities of public transit employees and to provide increased job opportunities in transit.

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Courses by Month 2008		Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
TRACK 1 - BASIC							
DVOM/ITS Technologies #SC-DV-2700-1				Rio Hondo (TBD) Taught by Rio Hondo			
Electric I for Transit #SC-EL-1600-1			Torrance Elect I (Aug 13th/14th) Taught by LATTIC OCTA(GG) T-T-T (Aug 4th)				
ISE Hybrid Safety #SC-HY-4000-1							
TRACK 2 - GENERAL							
Brakes I for Transit #SC-BR-1300-1				OMNI/TRANS (Sept 24th/25th) Taught by LATTIC			
Brakes II for Transit #SC-BR-1300-1I	In development	In development	In development	In development			
Electrical II for Transit #SC-EL-1600-II	OCTA (SA) (July 17th/18th) Taught by SD Miramar College	OCTA(GG) T-T-T (Aug 5th) Taught by Rio Hondo	LB City College (Sept 11th/12th) Taught by LBCC				
Electrical III for Transit #SC-EL-1600-III		OCTA(GG) T-T-T (Aug 6th) Taught by Rio Hondo					
Electrical IV for Transit #SC-EL-1600-IV					Coming Soon		
Electrical V for Transit #SC-EL-1600-V					Coming Soon		
Engines ISL-G #SC-EN-1700-1	In development	In development	In development				
TRACK 3 - ADVANCED							
HVAC I #SC-HV-3000-1							
HVAC II #SC-HV-3000-1I							
TRACK 4 - VEHICLE/SPECIAL							
Periodic Smoke Inspection - This course is to be REGISTERED direct by the student. Reimbursed by the SCRTTC.	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link
CNG Inspection							
OSHA Basic Course	LBTs (July 9th/10th) Taught by Rio Hondo	OMNI (August 6th/7th) Taught by Rio Hondo					
Other							

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First name is WHERE the course is taught

Second part is the DATE the course is taught

Third part is the LOCATION/HOST the course is taught

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