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## Santa Monica Community College Renews SCR TTC Membership

**Santa Monica, CA** - The Southern California Transit Training Consortium (**SCR TTC**) is pleased to announce the reinstatement of Santa Monica College (SMC), as a renewed SCR TTC member. This important membership renewal was facilitated by the Office of Workforce & Economic Development's Dean Tricia G. Ramos, Ed.D. and Program Manager, Sandra Sanchez in conjunction with SCR TTC's Program Management team; Dave Stumpo, President and CEO and Nina Babiarz, Training Coordinator and Facilitator (both) APTREX Institute.

The college specializes in preparing students with the workplace and technical skills they need for employability, job retention and career enhancement. Committed to the West Side region's economic growth and its global competitiveness, SMC administers multiple economic development grants and workforce participation projects from a variety of government funding sources to enhance SMC's programs and services.

SMC's grant funded projects are dedicated to workforce skills upgrades and business expansion they enable the College to enhance its full complement of services, including assessment, career technical education, training in workplace skills, internships, and customized training to meet the needs of business and industry.

Understanding that a strong partnership must exist between education and industry, SMC collaborates with local businesses through industry advisory councils composed of business executives and representatives, college administrators and faculty experts. Therefore, Santa Monica College will be a natural Economic Workforce Development partner to Santa Monica's Big Blue Bus' training programs. Over the years, the Big Blue Bus has always maintained a fleet of buses that represents the latest in bus technology. As founding members of the SCR TTC, this renewed SMC membership will enable these latest transit training industry challenges to be met.

The consortium has delivered over 20,000 hours of training to more than 1500 transit employees that maintain vehicles every day. For further information about the Consortium, please visit our website at [www.scrttc.com](http://www.scrttc.com).