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Metro East SFV Light Rail Groundbreaking

Left to Right: Metro CEO Stephanie Wiggins, L.A. Council President Paul Krekorian, former L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti, Metro Board Chair Ara Nazarian, L.A. Councilmember Monica Rodriguez, Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel, Federal Transit Administration Region 9 Director Charlene Lee Lorenzo, and Panorama City Neighborhood Council Board member Tony Wilkinson.

The Alliance attended the ceremonial groundbreaking for the Advance Utility Adjustments necessary to begin construction of the East San Fernando Valley Light Rail Transit Project (ESFV LRT). The rail line project is a 6.7-mile segment which will ultimately connect the Van Nuys Metro G line (Orange) Station with Pacoima primarily along Van Nuys Boulevard. A leader in small business assistance for Valley employers, The Alliance has been advocating with Metro for business retention strategies in conjunction with the project as well as business interruption funding to

help bolster the resilience of the local economy. In addition, The Alliance is providing Metro and the council offices with suggestions for best practices to enhance economic development opportunities in the Civic Center area of Van Nuys and the area near Panorama City Mall.

Visit https://www.metro.net/projects/east-sfv/ to learn more about the project.