

Meeting of Dec. 10, 2018

December Employees of the Month Honored

The Orange County Transportation Authority's board of directors recognized three employees of the month for December.

Resolutions of appreciation were presented to:

- Antonio Alvarez, Coach Operator
- Maichou Aparicio, Maintenance
- Megan LeMaster, Administration

OCTA Welcomes Three New Board Members

The OCTA board welcomed three new members to begin serving on the 18-member board that oversees transportation planning, funding and implementation in Orange County.

The new board members are:

- **Gene Hernandez** – Director Hernandez has served on the Yorba Linda City Council since November 2012 and served as that city's mayor from 2017 to 2018. Hernandez worked in law enforcement for 34 years, retiring as the Chief of Police for the city of Chino, a position in which he served from 1998 to 2006.
- **Jose F. Moreno** – Director Moreno, also Mayor Pro Tem of Anaheim, has served on the Anaheim City Council since 2016. Before joining the council, he served two terms on the Anaheim City School District Board of Education from 2006 to 2014. Moreno is an associate professor in the Department of Chicano & Latino Studies at California State University, Long Beach, where he focuses on Latino education and policy studies.
- **Joe Muller** – Director Muller has served on the Dana Point City Council since 2014 and currently serves as mayor. He also represents South Orange County on the boards of the Orange County Fire Authority and Transportation Corridor Agencies, and he is a member of the Orange County Parks Commission.

OC Active Sets Countywide Active Transportation Priorities

The OCTA board received an update on OC Active, a report that evaluates the needs and recommends bicycle and pedestrian improvements for Orange County and its 34 cities.

The plan is currently being finalized and will help ensure that active transportation improvements are coordinated throughout Orange County to help cities and the county secure state and federal funding.

OCTA sought public input for the report through surveys, by attending community events and through a student art contest. OCTA also formed a Stakeholder Working Group for agencies and community advocates to provide input.

Public feedback focused on the need for better connections to parks, downtown areas, schools, job and retail centers, and transit. The feedback also showed that the public prefers improved crosswalks, better nighttime lighting and separated bikeways and buffered bike lanes for cyclists.

OCTA will continue working with the community to advance active transportation projects to help provide a safe community with more transportation options for all Orange County residents.

Board Receives CEO's Third Quarter Initiatives Update

The OCTA board received a third quarter report of CEO Darrell Johnson's initiatives and action plan.

The action plan consists of 10 initiatives, implemented through 66 projects and programs and monitored through 84 milestones for the year.

In the third quarter, 15 of the milestones were completed.

Accomplishments include:

- Adopting the updated 2018 Measure M Next 10 Delivery Plan, a plan sets project and program priorities over a 10-year period from 2017 through 2026 to ensure OCTA's commitment to Orange County voters.
- Approving the Fiscal Year 2018-19 Comprehensive Business Plan and the Transit Asset Management Plan.
- Receiving the results of a survey aimed at measuring the public's attitudes and awareness of OCTA.