

Meeting of June 26, 2023

Board Recognizes June Employees of the Month

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

The honors went to:

- Jovetta Randall, a coach operator at the Garden Grove base who started at OCTA in 2019. She reunited a lost child with his parents, demonstrating a clear example of OCTA's can-do spirit and going above and beyond her job duties.
- Leo Diza, a journeyman mechanic who joined OCTA's Garden Grove base in 1990. Leo has incredible troubleshooting skills which he uses to solve complicated mechanical and electrical bus issues. His methodical approach to problem solving helps keep buses properly repaired and in service.
- Jason Ko, OCTA's creative director who started as a graphic designer in 2016. He regularly produces exceptional designs and played a big part in making OCTA's 50th anniversary event a tremendous success. Jason also developed the Bravo Route 553 "Power Through Main Street" campaign and consistently delivers outstanding creative contributions.

OCTA Board Appoints Public Committee Members

OCTA's board selected two new members to join the Measure M Taxpayer Oversight Committee.

The new committee members are:

- Monica Shin from Santa Ana, representing Orange County's Second District
- Michael Neben from Irvine, representing Orange County's Third District

The 11-member Taxpayer Oversight Committee was formed to monitor OCTA's use of Measure M funding, approve all changes to the investment plan and hold annual public hearings on whether OCTA has been proceeding in accordance with the plan.

Measure M is Orange County's half-cent sales tax for transportation that was renewed by 70% of voters in 2006. The funding provides for balanced and sustainable transportation improvements, with 43% of funding dedicated to freeways, 32% to streets and 25% to transit. The plan also includes two environmental programs.

For more information about Measure M or the Taxpayer Oversight Committee, visit octa.net/TOC.