

## **Community Outreach & Engagement: Building the Practice at Metro Transit**

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# A Strong Foundation of Community Outreach at Metro Transit



**ENGAGEMENT** 

Public Relations • Commuter Programs
Revenue Operations • Human Resources
BRT Project Office • Customer Relations
12+ departments • Police • Urban Design
Office of Equal Opportunity • Service Planning
Field Operations • 1,000+ outreach activities
Rail Operations • Marketing • Bus Operations
Engineering & Facilities • Transit Information
300+ staff • Blue & Green Line Project Offices



#### **Metro Transit Agency Goals**

2015: Be a Visible and Respected Presence in the Community

2016: Be a Visible and Respected Partner with the Community









### A Visible and Respected Partner with the Community







### Community Outreach Agency Project Delivery and Operations

- Open Houses
- Workshops
- Bus Stop Dialogs
- Door knocking
- Emergency Buses

- Job Fairs
- Advisory Committees
- Community Policing
- DBE Mixer Events
- Social Media
- Station Ambassadors

- Comment Periods
- Public Hearings
- Information Tabling
- Customer Advocates
- Media











### **Community Outreach Agency Visibility and Public Relations**

- Community Events Juneteenth
- Parades
- Marketing **Partnerships**
- Shop with Cops

- Kids'n'Cops Fishing •
- Presentations
- Little Mekong Night Market

- Safe Summer Nights
- Somali Independence Day
- Rondo Days
- Commuter Fairs
- Tours













## **Bus Operator Community Outreach Visible and Respected Partners**

Operators Engaging & Connecting Communities
Amina Wolf, Assistant Transportation Manager
Project Management Development Program













### **Cultural Community Outreach Visible and Respected Partners**

Hmong Freedom Festival

Wolfgang Tattenbach, Community Outreach Coordinator in Bus Transportation and Human Resources











### Metro Transit Police Department Visible and Respected Partners

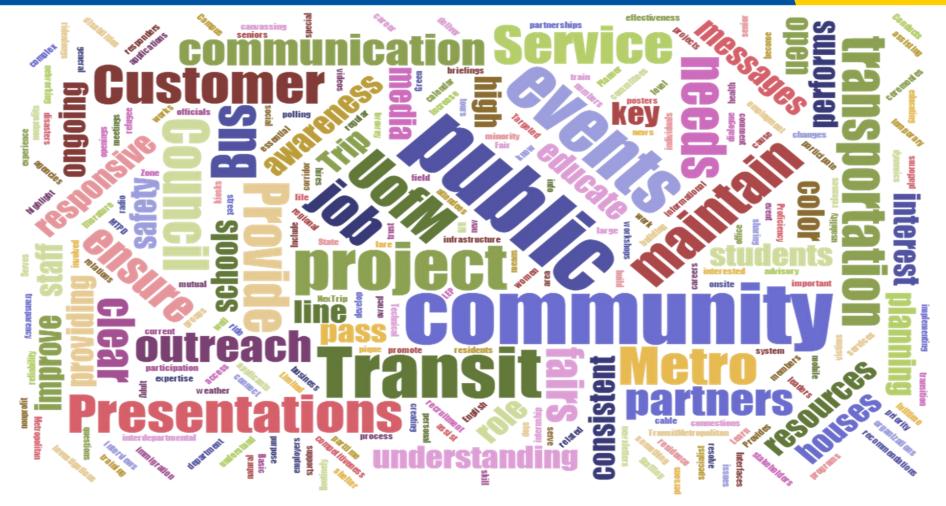
Cops'n'Kids Fishing Tournament
Gwen DeGroff-Gunter, Juvenile Outreach Coordinator and
MTPD intern Carol LaFleur with Brooklyn Park Police











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