

# Caltrans Community-Based Planning Grant Making the Connections



## A Pedestrian & Bicycle Linkages Plan for Two Communities Adjacent to Gold Line Stations

"Making the Connections" will be a collective community envisioning process led by Livable Places, Metro, and Homeboy Industries. The envisioning process will lead to conceptual designs for safe and enjoyable pedestrian and bicycle linkages from the old industrial areas surrounding the Chinatown and Lincoln Heights/Cypress Park Gold Line Stations. Ultimately, these designs can be used to enhance mobility and improve access of low-income Latino

and Asian residents to the new light rail, the new state park, the envisioned improvements on the Los Angeles River, and new and established commercial areas. Expanding the transportation options of these low-income households that may not be able to afford a car will create new economic and social opportunities and promote a healthier living environment for the full spectrum of society.

### Project Partners

Livable Places  
Metro  
Homeboy Industries

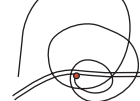
### Project Goals

- \* Foster neighborhood and project designs that enable more walking and biking for healthier communities
- \* Encourage jobs/housing balance that supports the efficient public transportation of Downtown Los Angeles
- \* Reduce dependency on single-occupant vehicle trips, reduce traffic congestion, minimize impacts on valuable habitat and improve air quality
- \* Facilitate a more livable development model for the City of Los Angeles and the region

### Regional Benefits

- \* Creates livable mixed-use districts close to Downtown Los Angeles which offers more people high quality housing choices located near jobs and supported by public transit
- \* Creates more opportunities for people of diverse economic and ethnic backgrounds to interact and enjoy the same urban experience of taking the Gold Line, visiting the state park, eating in Chinatown, or seeing a movie in Pasadena
- \* Establishes the Gold Line as the preferred means of traveling to the new Los Angeles State Historic Park (Cornfields site) for people living outside the neighborhood
- \* Reduces emissions from automobiles

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