BUS LANE ENFORCEMENT (BLE) PROGRAM

We're bringing you a more reliable, accessible bus experience.

Metro has a plan to make it easier to get around LA, which includes better transit.

Bus service is the backbone of the public transportation system, which is why the NextGen bus plan reimagined the bus system to focus on providing fast, frequent, reliable and accessible service. A key element in the implementation of this plan is the use of priority lanes for buses. Reducing parking violations in bus lanes and stops is a key component of this plan.

The Bus Lane Enforcement program is a partnership between Metro and the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT). Metro is installing forward-facing cameras on buses to detect parking violations in bus lanes and at bus stops. LADOT will review evidence of parking violations detected by Metro and determine whether citations will be issued to owners of registered vehicles.

Project Description

The Bus Lane Enforcement program is an important step toward building a safer and faster multimodal transportation network in Los Angeles. Keeping bus stops and lanes clear is critical to developing a safer, faster, and more accessible public transportation network in Los Angeles.

Vehicles parked in a bus lane or at a bus stop for reasons other than making a right-turn make getting on and off the bus dangerous, especially for people with disabilities. Parking violators in bus lanes disrupt service and prevent passengers from arriving on time.

Metro is implementing automated controls on bus lanes and stops on lines 70, 212, 720, 910, and 950 within the city of Los Angeles. These lines serve 61,664 people daily. This technology will ensure that bus lanes and stops are kept free of parking violators, helping passengers reach their destinations safely and on time, as well as ensuring that bus service is accessible to people with disabilities.

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How It Works

> Small camera systems will be installed behind the windshields of Metro buses to detect parking violations in bus lanes and at stops while the bus is in motion.

> When the camera system identifies a parking offender in a bus lane or at a bus stop, it creates an "evidence package" documenting the violation.

> The evidence package contains a short video and photographs of the violation, a photograph of the license plate of the offending vehicle, as well as the time and location where the incident occurred.

> The evidence package is the only information the camera system records.

> Once the violation is documented, the evidence package is sent to the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT), where employees will review the information and determine whether a ticket should be issued to the registered owner of the vehicle.

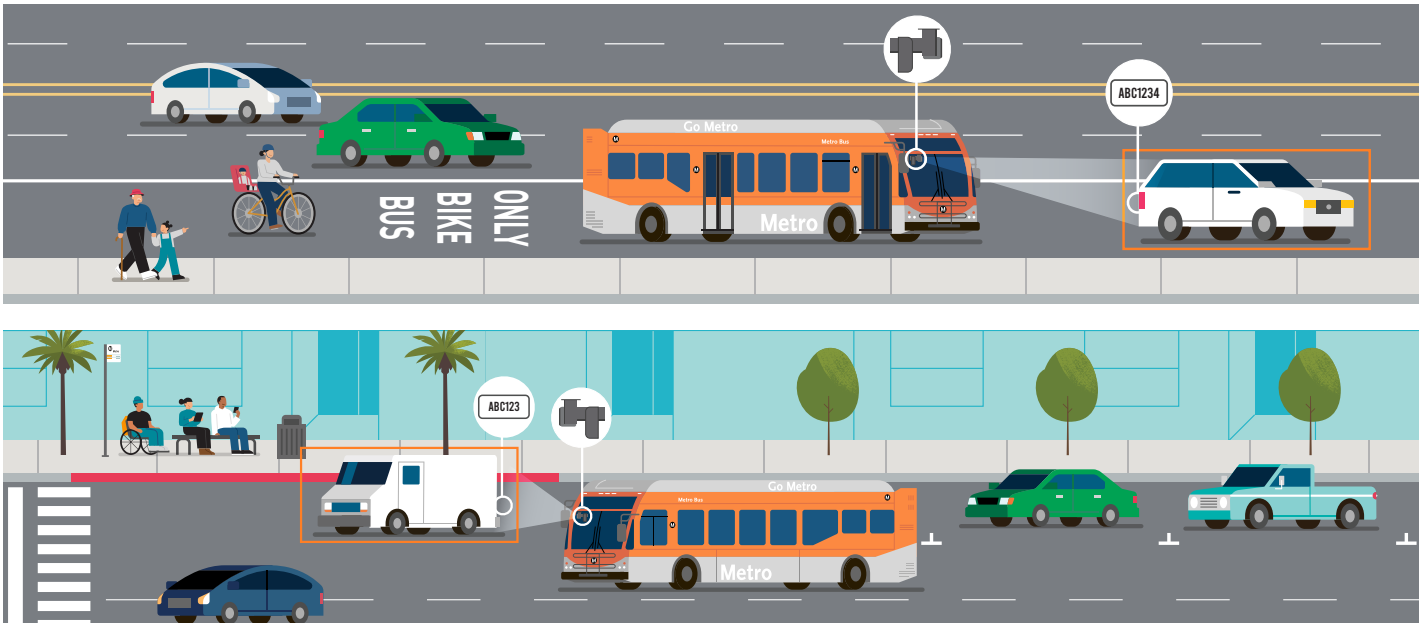
Benefits

> By citing parking violators on bus lanes and stops, BLE will improve the speed, frequency, and reliability of bus service on lines 70, 212, 720, 910, and 950.

> Ensures that people with disabilities can safely and reliably board and exit buses without obstacles at stops.

> Improves traffic safety for pedestrians and motorists by reducing accidents caused by improper parking in bus lanes and stops.

How Bus Lane Enforcement Camera Systems Work



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