## THREE WAYS LA METRO'S \$200+ MILLION POLICING BUDGET COULD BE BETTER SPENT

\$70-100M FOR MORE GREEN SHIRTS



"Green shirt" ambassadors are all-in-one helpers who do everything from giving directions to providing life-saving care. Since Oct. 2022, ambassadors have saved 135 lives. More than half of customers say the Green Shirts make them want to ride the system more. They are a sixth the cost and far more effective than police.

\$80-100M FOR HOMELESSNESS & MENTAL HEALTH

4 in 10 police shootings involve someone in the midst of a mental health crisis. Outreach workers are equipped to provide social services or to address the needs of the 800 unhoused people riding Metro every night, not police. Let's prioritize the care, housing, and mental health services that will actually make riders feel safe.



## (3) \$35-45M FOR PUBLIC RESTROOMS WITH ATTENDANTS



Public urination and defecation at stations and stops contribute to perceptions of a degraded system and feelings of unsafety. In a restroom pilot, Metro saw a 50% reduction in urination and defecation at stations where implemented. The obvious solution to this safety issue is address riders' basic human needs with attended bathrooms.

For more information visit: go.act-la.org/more-green-shirts

