

WELCOME ABOARD!



It is my pleasure to announce the selection of Kevin Schrader, as Budget Analyst, reporting directly to Ashley Liang, Treasurer. Kevin assumed his new position on Wednesday, April 16, 2025.

In his new role, Kevin will be responsible for providing a comprehensive review of Long Beach Transit (LBT). This includes identifying the costs of every service and program in the agency, evaluating them based on strategic priorities and budget objectives. This will ultimately help guide the development of the annual operating and capital budget to ensure fiscal sustainability.

Kevin joined LBT in January 2025 in a temporary capacity, supporting budget analysis within the Finance and Budget department. He has more than nine years of analysis and financial experience. His most recent role was supporting Topmark Funding as a Senior Financial Analyst, providing key data analysis to stakeholders. He also worked with incorporating data into internal memos to enhance overall business decisions.

Kevin can be reached at extension 8843 or by email at kschrader@lbtransit.com. He is located at LBTCO workstation 851.

Please join the President and CEO, as well as the Executive Leadership Team, in welcoming Kevin to LBT!

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Elizabeth Brown

Executive Director/VP, Organizational Development and Administration



**KEVIN
SCHRADER**

Budget Analyst
Finance and Budget

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It is my pleasure to announce the selection of Jacob Varela, as Supervisor, Fleet Maintenance, reporting directly to Sergio Ortiz and Branden Spalding, Managers, Fleet Maintenance. Jacob assumed his new position on Wednesday, April 2, 2025.

Jacob will be responsible for supervising mechanics and utility workers in the maintenance and repair of Long Beach Transit (LBT) buses. Jacob will also diagnose vehicle and equipment failures, and train new mechanics in proper repair procedures.

Jacob comes to LBT with over 5 years of experience in fleet maintenance management. Most recently, he served as an Assistant Fleet Maintenance Manager at Warner Brothers, where he collaborated with the Fleet Manager to ensure smooth operations and compliance with regulations. He also managed a team of technicians, created work schedules, provided training, and monitored maintenance costs and repairs. Jacob also worked as an Automotive Fleet Supervisor at UPS. In this role, he conducted audits, managed the budget for the automotive department, collaborated with unions to ensure safety, and supervised a fleet of over 300 vehicles operating on diesel, gas and propane.

Jacob can be reached at extension 1020 or by email at jvarela@lbtransit.com. He is located at the LBT2 Maintenance Supervisor Office.

Please join the President and CEO, as well as the Executive Leadership Team, in welcoming Jacob to LBT!

Elizabeth Brown

Executive Director/VP, Organizational Development and Administration



**JACOB
VARELA**

Supervisor, Fleet Maintenance
Maintenance and Infrastructure

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It is my pleasure to announce the selection of Keyona Montgomery as Administrative Assistant, Organizational Development and Administration (ODA), reporting directly to Elizabeth Brown, Executive Director/Vice President, ODA. Keyona assumed her new position on Monday, March 17, 2025.

Keyona will be responsible for providing administrative support to the Executive Director/Vice President, ODA, in managing the department's initiatives, priorities and goals. Keyona will also be a member of the cross-departmental Administrative Coordinating Team (ACT), which is made of executive assistants and administrative professionals, to improve efficiency and communication at Long Beach Transit (LBT).

Keyona comes to LBT with over eight years of experience with assisting executives, project management and client engagement. Most recently, she served as an Executive Assistant for RevHub in Irvine, California. In that role, she coordinated leadership meetings and corporate events. In other past roles, she also supported CEOs and executive teams, managing both day-to-day operations and long-term strategic projects.



KEYONA MONTGOMERY

Administrative Assistant,
Organizational Development and
Administration

Keyona can be reached at extension 8515 or by email at kmontgomery@lbtransit.com. She is located at LBTCO at workstation 786.

Please join the President and CEO, as well as the Executive Leadership Team, in welcoming Keyona to LBT!

Elizabeth Brown

Executive Director/VP, Organizational Development and Administration