

# WELCOME ABOARD!



It is my pleasure to announce the selection of Simreen Punia, as Information Technology (IT) Project Coordinator, reporting directly to Pretty George, Executive Director/Vice President of IT. Simreen assumed her new position Tuesday, May 27, 2025.

Simreen will be responsible for planning, directing and coordinating all activities related to IT projects to ensure they are completed within time and budget constraints. This includes reviewing project proposals, allocating resources, assigning tasks and coordinating efforts of project staff and vendors. Simreen will also prepare detailed reports, manage project changes and facilitate meetings with stakeholders.

Simreen comes to Long Beach Transit (LBT) with experience in IT project coordination and management at major retailers, including Macy's, Walmart and Target. In those roles, she managed teams, allocated resources, and ensured compliance with organizational standards.

**Simreen can be reached at extension 0906 or by email at [spunia@lbtransit.com](mailto:spunia@lbtransit.com). She is located at LBTCO workstation 755.**

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

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**Elizabeth Brown**

Executive Director/VP, Organizational Development and Administration



**SIMREEN  
PUNIA**

Information Technology Project  
Coordinator  
Information Technology

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It is my pleasure to announce the selection of Thao Rodriguez as Transit Analyst, reporting directly to Lee Burner, Executive Director/Vice President of Transit Service Delivery and Planning (TSDP). Thao assumed her new position on Tuesday, May 27, 2025.

Thao will be responsible for providing analytical and operational support for TSDP. She will manage budgets, streamline internal processes, ensure regulatory compliance, and conduct in-depth financial and service analyses. Thao will also prepare reports to support data-driven decisions and monitor Long Beach Transit's (LBT) services. She will also forecast future revenues and expenditures to support long-term planning.

Thao joins LBT with more than three years of analytical experience. Most recently, she served as a Financial Analyst at Snoop Drive Inc., where she led budgeting and forecasting initiatives, in addition to creating financial reports to support planning.

**Thao can be reached at extension 8490 or by email at [trodriguez@lbtransit.com](mailto:trodriguez@lbtransit.com). She is located at LBTCO in office 721.**

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

**Elizabeth Brown**

Executive Director/VP, Organizational Development and Administration



**THAO  
RODRIGUEZ**

Transit Analyst  
Transit Service Delivery and Planning

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It is my pleasure to announce the selection of Yuen Ching (Winson) Kam as Maintenance Analyst, reporting directly to Mikaela Deckner, Manager, Maintenance Planning. Yuen assumed his new position Friday, May 16, 2025.

Yuen will be responsible for providing analytical and operational support to the Maintenance and Infrastructure team, focusing on data management, performance reporting and process improvements. Yuen will also help with managing the operating budget, providing support for capital project planning and ensuring financial accuracy.

Yuen comes to Long Beach Transit (LBT) with five years of experience in data management, process optimization and dashboard development. Most recently, he served as a Business Analyst at Vallarta Supermarkets, where he was responsible for analyzing operational and sales data to drive performance improvements. He collaborated closely with other departments to streamline reporting processes, supporting budgeting efforts and strategic decision-making.



## **YUEN CHING (WINSON) KAM**

Maintenance Analyst  
Maintenance and Infrastructure

**Yuen can be reached at extension 8537 or by email at [ykam@lbtransit.com](mailto:ykam@lbtransit.com). He is located at LBT1 workstation 122.**

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

### **Elizabeth Brown**

Executive Director/VP, Organizational Development and Administration

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It is my pleasure to announce the selection of Carolyn Jones as Government Relations Officer, reporting directly to Marisol Barajas, Manager, Government Relations. Carolyn assumed her new position on Thursday, May 1, 2025.

Carolyn will be responsible for collaborating with local government offices, elected officials within Long Beach Transit's (LBT) service area, and other community stakeholders. She will help LBT achieve its strategic goals, address state and federal policies, track legislation and regulations, and identify funding opportunities for LBT.

Carolyn joins LBT with over 13 years in government relations, fundraising, and outreach experience. Most recently, she served as the Director of Incubation Services at the Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator, where she managed programs that supported clean technology startups. She developed outreach strategies and fostered connections across the public, private, and nonprofit sectors. Previously, Carolyn also held various legislative positions in government agencies, in addition to being a fundraising assistant in Washington, D.C.

**Carolyn can be reached at extension 5531 or by email at [cjones@lbtransit.com](mailto:cjones@lbtransit.com). She is located at LBTCO office 842.**

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

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**CAROLYN  
JONES**

Government Relations Officer  
General Management