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## Avila to Lead Omnitrans Board, Dutrey New Vice Chair

**(San Bernardino, CA)** Yucaipa Mayor Pro Tem David Avila will become new chair of the Omnitrans Board of Directors in July 2019. Montclair Mayor Javier "John" Dutrey was elected to fill the Vice Chair position. Both will serve a two-year term.

Avila succeeds outgoing Board Chair Ron Dailey, a Loma Linda Council Member. The 19-member Omnitrans Board consists of elected officials representing each of the 15 cities Omnitrans serves and four San Bernardino County Supervisors.

"Omnitrans plays vital role in our community, transporting thousands of people to work, school, shopping, medical appointments, recreation and safely back home again," said Avila. "As Board chair, I want to ensure that we continue to meet customer needs while also being fiscally responsible."



Omnitrans Board of Directors Chair David Avila

Avila joined the Omnitrans Board in January 2017 and has served on the Board's Administrative & Finance and Executive Committees. He also represents Yucaipa on the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) Board of Directors.

A 30-year resident of Yucaipa, Avila has served on the City Council since 2014. He had a 32-year career with Cal Fire (California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection) before retiring as a battalion chief. He received his Associate of Science degree from Crafton Hills College and his BA from California State University, Fullerton.



Omnitrans Board of Directors Vice Chair Javier "John" Dutrey

Dutrey was appointed to the Omnitrans Board in 2017 after serving as an Alternate since 2003. He joined the Montclair City Council in 1996 was and elected Mayor in 2018.

"I look forward to helping set the course for Omnitrans to adapt to our evolving multi-modal transportation landscape," said Dutrey. "An effective, integrated transportation network is critical for our growing region."

Dutrey also represents Montclair on the SBCTA Board and serves on the Tri-City Gold Line Joint Powers Authority Committee. He holds a BA in Political Science and a Master's in public administration, both from California State University, San Bernardino. He is employed with the City of Rialto, serving as a Project Manager in the Development Services Department.

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