

# EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

May 2022



# Pablo Barron,

## Bus Operator

### 5 Years Service Award

Pablo stated he was very intimidated to be a bus operator at first. However, because of Rigo who helped him get through training and his coworkers' encouragement to believe in himself, he was able to make it.

He loves being a bus operator because he can provide the community with a safe and courteous ride wherever they want to go. On his day off, he enjoys hiking, dining, and spending time with the most important people in the world, his family!



### 5 Years Service Award



Yovanny said he loves working at GCTD because he gets treated with respect by everyone here. He enjoys coming to work to talk with his coworkers before his shift. He also loves to travel and explore new places. He likes sharing stories about the places he has visited.

Yovanny is going to be putting traveling on hold because he is about to be a daddy for the first time. He can't wait to meet his baby at the end of August.

# Jotham Nicolas,

## Bus Operator

### 5 Years Service Award



Jotham loves working at GCTD because he gets to meet new people daily. He enjoys helping our community and he said, "I'm living the dream." Jotham always wanted to be a bus driver since he was a little child riding the bus.

He likes to hang out with friends, go on bike rides, go to the beach, and drive to places he has not visited. He also enjoys relaxing at his house with his cat. Jotham said he is determined to move up in this organization.

# Haydee Andrade,

## Bus Operator

### 10 Years Service Award

Haydee said that the last 10 years flew quickly because she enjoys what she does. She is a wife and mom of 2 girls and loves to spend time with her family when she's off.

She is very involved with her kids' activities at school and with their friends. Haydee loves to serve her community and would like to add more years of service with Gold Coast Transit.



# Raymond Bedoy,

## Bus Operator

### 10 Years Service Award



Ray said he loves this job because it is one of the few jobs that you can do while sitting down all day. On the weekends, he likes hiking or kayaking with his wife.

Ray and his wife have been training to hike to the bottom of the Grand Canyon. They are planning to go at the end of this year. He also enjoys working on his motorcycles.



# Vernon Bell,

## Bus Operator

### 10 Years Service Award



Vernon was born and raised in Oxnard. He decided to be a bus operator after he served in the US Army. He enjoys working for GCTD because he can serve the community where he grew up and put a smile on people's faces.

He said this job gave his family an opportunity to purchase a home and live a better life. Vernon also enjoys watching his son play football, BBQing, and making homemade ice cream for his family and friends on his days off.

### 10 Years Service Award



Ferdinand was promoted to be an operations supervisor two years ago. He loves that he can serve not only the community but also the drivers. He enjoys the challenges that come up on the daily basis at work and at his house as well.

Ferdinand is a single father of two. He enjoys going hiking and traveling with his friends and family. Ferdinand is very proud to be able to represent this organization as a supervisor and looks forward to future opportunities that may come his way.



# Gilbert Pinon,

## Safety & Training Supervisor

### 10 Years Service Award



Gilbert recently was promoted to be a Safety and Training Supervisor and he is enjoying his new role at GCTD. He appreciates the opportunities to coach new employees and share his experiences.

On his days off, he is a busy dad of 6 kids, enjoys coaching his daughter in soccer and supporting his son in football and track. Gilbert and his wife have been together for 25 years and they enjoy their grandkids in Florida by Face Timing.

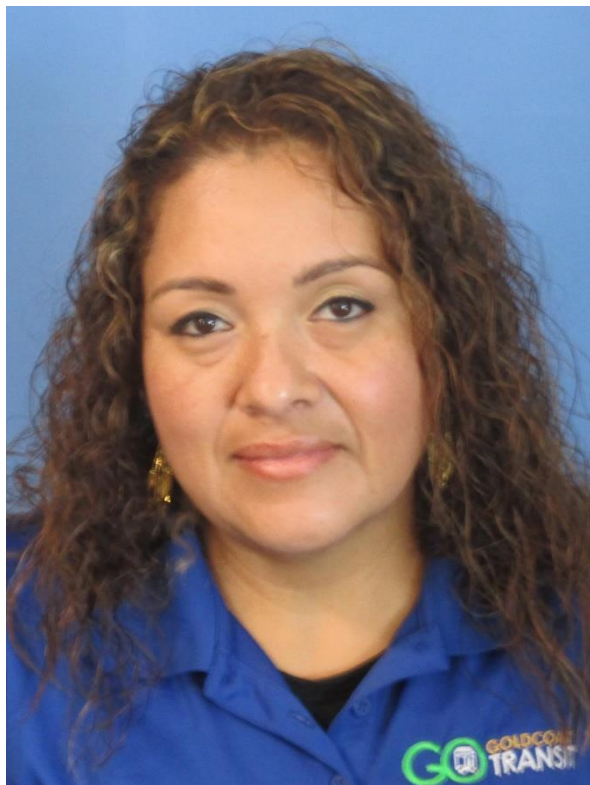
# Maria Salmeron,

## Bus Operator

### 15 Years Service Award

Maria couldn't believe it has already been 15 years since she started working at GCTD. She stated she loves driving and enjoys talking to her regular passengers.

On her days off, she enjoys cooking for her friends and family. Maria is known to cook everything from scratch. She also enjoys going to her son's Band competitions.



# Thad Maddox,

## Bus Operator

### 20 Years Service Award



TJ is one of the veteran drivers GCTD has. For as long as I have known him, he is always willing to help us on one of his days off.

He enjoys spending time with his wife and his 12 grandkids. He loves to travel with his family and friends to create memories.