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## \$63 Million in Federal Funds for Transportation investments in Alameda County

Alameda County - California. Alameda County will receive an estimated \$63 million over four fiscal years (FY 2012-13 through FY 2015-16) from the One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) program for transportation projects, including improvements to local streets and roads, bicycle and pedestrian projects, and transit oriented development. Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) has developed a public outreach process to educate and receive public feedback on the development of the OBAG program in Alameda County.

The OBAG program supports California's climate law, SB 375, which requires a "Sustainable Communities Strategy" to integrate land use and transportation to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Alameda CTC has a long history of working to improve environmental sustainability by reducing greenhouse gas emissions through expanding transportation choices and improving access to jobs and housing. Expanded transportation options also benefit the community by improving the health, quality of life, and mobility of all Alameda County residents.

OBAG is funded by federal funding sources, and pursuant to the OBAG requirements Alameda CTC must program 70 percent of the funds to support projects within <a href="Priority Development Areas">Priority Development Development Areas</a> (PDAs). To comply with OBAG requirements, Alameda CTC will be drafting a <a href="Complete Streets">Complete Streets</a> policy and a PDA Investment and Growth Strategy. Numerous opportunities for public involvement are available input on the development of the Alameda County OBAG program.

**MORE** 

See the <u>Alameda CTC OBAG Outreach Schedule</u> for a summary of outreach activities on a monthly basis for fiscal year 2012-2013. Also visit Alameda CTC online to see the <u>OBAG Implementation Fact Sheet</u> (also available in Spanish and Chinese) and <u>OBAG web page</u>. Announcements and pertinent news be available through Alameda CTC on <u>Facebook</u> and Twitter.

## The Alameda County Transportation Commission

The mission of the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) is to plan, fund and deliver transportation programs and projects that expand access and improve mobility to foster a vibrant and livable Alameda County. Alameda CTC coordinates countywide transportation planning and delivers the expenditure plan for the half-cent sales tax approved by 81.5% of county voters in 2000. For more information, visit www.alamedactc.org.

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