



SB 1 is essential funding for transportation programs and projects throughout Alameda County.



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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's Report provides focused updates on Alameda CTC's work to improve transportation throughout Alameda County. This report provides status updates on key activities, including capital projects management and express lane operations; planning, policy and program implementation; finance and contracting; and programming and project controls. In addition, it contains brief summaries of advisory committee and agency activities.

This monthly update provides a synopsis of transportation project and program implementation funded with local, regional, state and federal funds.

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## Project Updates

### SB 1 leverages Measure B and BB to deliver projects

Alameda CTC's early project investments have helped establish a pipeline of projects for delivery in Alameda County. Several regionally significant projects are positioned to be competitive for funding from Senate Bill 1 (SB 1). The **GoPORT** projects, which represent a program of projects to improve truck and rail access to the Port of Oakland, are an example of leveraging Measure BB funds to develop the initial phase of the project. Alameda CTC was successful in a grant award of \$187 million of SB 1 funds to move the project into construction. Additionally, SB 1's Local Partnership Program rewards jurisdictions with voter approved taxes, tolls, and fees that are dedicated solely to transportation. For Alameda CTC, that is almost \$3.8 million each year from the passage of voter approved sales tax measures Measure B and BB and vehicle registration fees.

SB 1 is a critical funding stream to allow other projects a path forward to construction. Alameda CTC is the implementing agency of the **I-680 Express Lanes from SR-84 to Alcosta Boulevard** project and has invested \$20 million of Measure BB funds to initiate this project. Alameda CTC is looking to external funding sources such as SB 1 and Regional Measure 3 to fund the current shortfall of \$460 million.

### I-580 Express Lanes After Study Update

Findings from the legislatively-required I-580 Express Lanes After Study are currently under review. Staff is preparing a required report to the Legislature that provides an evaluation of the express lane corridor and will bring the legislative report to the Commission for approval in October 2018.

For project updates, visit the [Projects web page](#).



State Route 262 (Mission Boulevard) Cross Connector project facing eastbound on SR-262 at the I-680 on-ramp.

## Planning and Program Updates

### Student Transit Pass Pilot Program enters its third year

In August 2018, the Student Transit Pass Pilot launched its third and final year in Alameda County. The program is in 21 schools, including 11 high schools and 10 middle schools in seven school districts. Free and universal transit passes are being distributed at 15 schools, and free passes are being distributed to low-income students at six schools. For a list of all schools participating in the pilot, please visit <http://www.alamedactc.org/studentpass>.



### Paratransit Discretionary Program – Call for Projects

Early next month, Alameda CTC will release the 2020 Paratransit Discretionary Grant Program Call for Project Nominations. Paratransit discretionary grant funds are programmed and allocated on a competitive basis to projects and programs that support mobility management types of activities for seniors and people with disabilities. Approximately \$9 million of Measure B and Measure BB paratransit discretionary grant funds will be made available through the grant program from FY2019-20 through FY2023-24. Applications are due to Alameda CTC in November 2018. Final program funding recommendations will go to the Commission spring 2019 for consideration.

### I-580/I-680 Corridor Work Program Update

The I-580 and I-680 corridors in Alameda County are two of the county's significant interstate corridors serving inter-regional and inter-county commute trips. Due to the importance of these interstates for commute trips and goods movement, Alameda CTC has developed a work program to address project identification, development and delivery to manage the projected demand expected on these corridors due to population and job growth in the region. In addition, the work program recognizes the importance of corridor planning to ensure that projects identified in this work program are eligible for regional, state and federal funding sources.

## Policy News

### Proposition 6 update

In April 2017, Governor Jerry Brown signed into law Senate Bill 1 (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. This landmark funding program increased the gas tax, diesel tax and vehicle registration fees to invest approximately \$5.4 billion annually in state and local roads, goods movement, public transit and active transportation programs.

Proposition 6 is a measure on the November 2018 ballot to repeal SB 1

through a constitutional amendment. If successful, it will:

- Eliminate over \$40 million per year in new funding for road maintenance funds from city and county budgets.
- Eliminate all SB 1 funding designated for state highways.
- Eliminate more than \$30 million per year in transit funds in Alameda County.
- Require any measure enacting specified taxes or fees on gas or diesel fuel, or on the privilege to operate a vehicle on public highways, to be submitted to the electorate for approval.
- Potentially lower future transportation tax revenues.

Alameda County projects to improve highways, rail, goods movement, roads, bridges, trails and pedestrian safety could be delayed indefinitely with elimination of SB 1 funding.



SB 1 provides over \$40 million in annual local streets and roads funding throughout the County.

### New Carpooling Options

**511** A number of new options to facilitate carpooling are now available in the Bay Area, all aimed at making carpooling more convenient. Carpool apps make it easy to schedule one-way carpool trips and allow you to be either a driver or a passenger.

Try the 511 RideMatch Service to find and email neighbors with



similar commutes, or try one of the carpool apps available at [rideshare.511.org](http://rideshare.511.org).

### Commute Options

Whether you're a commuter trying to affordably and safely get around Alameda County or an employer coordinating staff transportation options, the [Commute Choices website](#) has the resources you need.

## Programming Updates

### Annual DLD Compliance Workshop Educates Funding Recipients

Jurisdictions eligible to receive Measure B, Measure BB, and Vehicle Registration Fee Direct Local Distribution (DLD) funds signed a Master Programs Funding Agreement with Alameda CTC outlining eligible expenditures, reporting requirements and policies on the timely use of funds. Each year, jurisdictions are required to submit separate audited financial statements and Program Compliance Reports detailing use of these funds.

This month, Alameda CTC held its Annual Compliance Workshop for reporting on FY2017-18 expenditures. DLD recipients were provided information on the Program Compliance review process, guidance on programmatic requirements, and other requirements for the Audited Financial Statements and Compliance Reports.

FY2017-18 audited financial statements and Program Compliance Reports are due to Alameda CTC by December 28, 2018. A summary report to the Commission on DLD recipients' compliance and use of transportation funds will be presented in June 2019.



## Finance Updates

### Independent audit activities

During July and August, the Finance Team (Finance) worked to close out the Alameda CTC and the Sunol Smart Carpool Lane JPA accounting records for FY2017-18 to provide auditors final trial balances by the end of August. Auditors were on site in September. In the coming months, Finance will draft the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) for FY2017-18, which includes the final audited financial statements. The CAFR is expected to be available for review by the Commission's Audit Committee in late October and will go to the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) for approval in November and the Commission in December.

Finance has also prepared the FY2017-18 unaudited year-end investment report, which includes information on all cash and investments held by Alameda CTC as of June 30, 2018. This report will go to the Commission for approval in September.

### Contracting opportunities

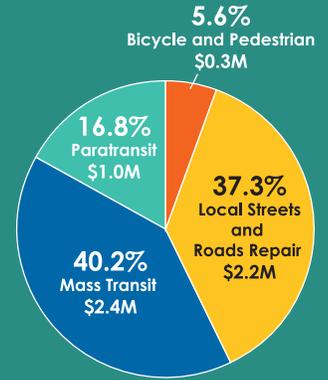
Alameda CTC or its sponsor agencies anticipate upcoming solicitation of statements of qualifications, bids and/or proposals for the following:

- Professional services contracts related to:
  - Vasco Road/I-580 Interchange
  - Express Lane Toll Revenue Forecasting
  - Audit Services
- Construction contracts:
  - Walnut Avenue Protected Bikeway in City Center/Downtown PDA
  - Buchanan Bikeway Phase IV
  - E. 12th Street Bikeway

## Transportation Investments

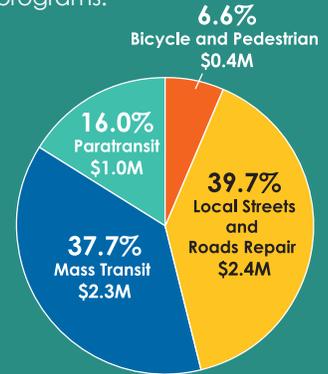
### Measure BB Program Distributions

Measure BB direct local distributions began in April 2015 and total over \$233.6 million; over 5.8 million was distributed in June 2018.



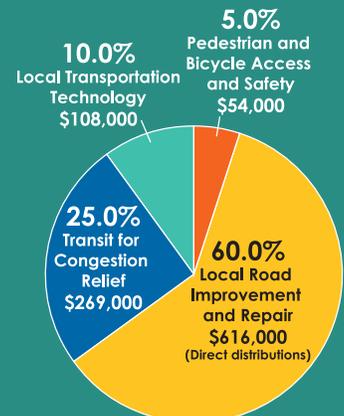
### Measure B Program Distributions

Measure B direct local distributions have totaled more than \$1.0 billion since 2002. In June 2018, over \$6.0 million was distributed for four programs.



### Vehicle Registration Fee

Since 2011, Alameda CTC has distributed more than \$50.0 million for local road repair; over \$1.0 million was collected in June 2018.



## Agency Activities

In August and September, Alameda CTC hosted or participated in the following events:

- Bikemobile events and school visits:
  - August 2 – Manzanita Recreation Center, Oakland
  - August 4 – Fremont Festival, Fremont
  - August 8 – LOV Summer Camp, Newark
  - August 10 – Laguna Commons, Fremont
  - August 11 – Alameda Free Library, Oakland
  - August 15 – Lincoln Park, Edison Back-to-School event, Oakland
  - August 21 – Alameda County Food Bank at Ashland Village Apartments, San Leandro
  - August 24 – Station Center Housing, Union City
  - August 25 – Castro Valley Library, Castro Valley
  - August 28 – Wexford Apartments, Dublin
  - August 29 – Livermore Library-Rincon Branch, Livermore
  - August 30 – Manzanita Community School, Oakland
- September 4 – Castro Valley Field Day and Food, Castro Valley
- September 5 – Brookfield Elementary, Oakland
- September 6 – San Leandro Library, San Leandro
- September 7 – Pleasanton Block Party, Pleasanton
- September 12 – Frederiksen Elementary, Dublin
- September 13 – Wells Middle School, Dublin
- September 16 – Sequoia Elementary, Oakland
- September 19 – Southgate Elementary, Hayward
- September 20 – Emerald Glen Farmers' Market and Family Night
- September 25 – Roosevelt Elementary, San Leandro
- September 26 – Brier Elementary, Fremont
- September 29 – Academy of Alameda, Alameda
- August 7 – East Bay Leadership Council Transportation Task Force, San Ramon
- August 10 – Associated General Contractors of California, Richmond
- August 21 – State of Regionalism: Transportation, SPUR Oakland
- September 5 – Livermore Valley Chamber of Commerce Business Alliance, Livermore
- September 11 – Berkeley Chamber of Commerce, Berkeley
- September 13 – Healthy Living Festival, Oakland; California Legislative Staff Education Institute, Oakland
- September 18 – Roundtable Discussion on Public Transportation in the Bay Area sponsored by Congressman DeSaulnier, Richmond

## Other News

### International Walk and Roll to School Day



Save the date for International Walk and Roll to School Day on Wednesday, October 10, 2018. Alameda County students will join millions of students around the world to celebrate the day by walking, biking, scooting or skateboarding to school. Public schools in Alameda County can join the celebration by enrolling in the Alameda County Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) Program, which provides technical support and materials to ensure schools host a successful celebration. Visit [www.alamedacountysr2s.org](http://www.alamedacountysr2s.org) to enroll your school and register to participate in the walking and rolling festivities.

### Share Your Ride Month

In 2017, Alameda CTC launched Rideshare Month in early October with an awareness-building promotion of Share Your Ride Week (SYRW), which resulted in hundreds of signed pledges from Alameda County commuters; thousands of click-throughs to [Rideshare.511.org](http://Rideshare.511.org); hundreds of thousands of digital advertising impressions; and nearly 1.7 million radio advertising impressions. This October, Alameda CTC seeks to build on the achievements of the 2017 SYRW program, expanding to a month-long effort to ensure the continued success of Rideshare Month throughout the Bay Area. The promotion will continue to focus on motivating audiences to change their commute trip at least once a week or once a month to impact traffic congestion and improve air quality.

## Committee Activities

### Advisory committees

In September 2018, the following advisory committees met.

Highlights include:

#### September 11 – The [Paratransit Technical Advisory Committee](#)

(ParaTAC) reviewed the fiscal year 2018-19 ParaTAC meeting calendar and discussed updates to the paratransit program implementation guidelines and performance measures, received updates on mobility management and emergency preparedness. ParaTAC members also exchanged technical information.

#### September 24 – The [Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee](#)

(PAPCO) reviewed the fiscal year 2018-19 PAPCO meeting calendar and received progress reports for the 2018 Comprehensive Investment Plan (CIP) Paratransit Discretionary Grant Program. PAPCO members also received updates on the 2020 Paratransit Discretionary Grant Program. A report was given by the City of Hayward Paratransit Program and the committee received an update on outreach activities for FY2018-19.

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- Rapid Bus Corridor Upgrades (San Pablo and Telegraph Corridors)

For more information, visit the [Contracting Opportunities web page](#).



Rebar work on I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvements at 23rd and 29th Avenues, Courtesy of Caltrans.