

MARCH 2018

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.

Project Updates

State Route 262 (Mission Boulevard) Cross Connector Project

A major east-west connector between I-680 and I-880, SR-262 (Mission Boulevard) serves significant regional/local commuters, commercial traffic and freight movement. Mission Boulevard experiences a significant amount of vehicular and truck traffic, averaging 76,000 vehicles daily, with approximately 6 percent of the vehicles being trucks.

As a vital connection between the Tri-Valley and Central Valley to Silicon Valley as well as to major businesses, transportation and economic hubs within Fremont, travel demand along Mission Boulevard creates recurring traffic congestion. Numerous feasibility studies have been initiated by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Alameda County Congestion Management Agency dating back to 1998, which identified various operational improvements along this heavily-used corridor.

Alameda CTC in partnership with Caltrans and the City of Fremont will

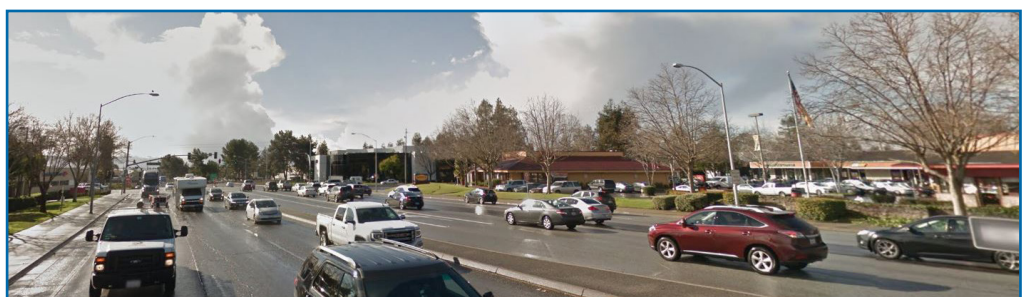
deliver the [SR-262 \(Mission Boulevard\) Cross Connector Project](#) which is in the scoping phase. In late November 2017 Alameda CTC issued a request for proposals for professional engineering services for the Project Initiation Document (Scoping) Phase of the project with the goal of obtaining an approved Project Study Report (PSR), leading to the environmental clearance, design and ultimately construction of the project. The scoping phase is anticipated to be complete in 2019.

Alameda CTC has allocated \$9 million of local sales tax Measure BB funds to initiate the preliminary phases of this regionally significant project. Regional Measure 3, if approved by voters in June 2018, would provide \$15 million for the project. Once the PSR is complete, the project will be positioned to actively compete for state, regional and federal funding.

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

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Westbound and eastbound traffic on SR-262

Planning and Program Updates

Safe Routes to Schools update



The Alameda County Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) team has been busy implementing a new program delivery structure to help meet the program goals the Commission adopted in January 2017. Beginning with the 2017-18 school year, SR2S is working to better balance all the elements needed to ensure a successful Safe Routes to Schools program — encouragement, education, engineering, evaluation, enforcement and equity. Under this new structure, Alameda CTC brought the program management in-house, and staff has taken an active management approach in addition to providing strategic direction and cultivating new partnerships.

To further balance and augment the program, staff also is developing and implementing new elements. In December 2017, the team launched the Access Safe Routes Pilot program, which seeks to ensure all schools in Alameda County have the opportunity to benefit from SR2S programming, regardless of the level of staffing and resources available at the school. The team will conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the pilot to generate recommendations on the best strategies to reach under-resourced schools.

Another important new initiative is the development of the Rail Safety Education program element. Rail safety education is urgently needed in Alameda County, given the safety concerns around rail. The team is working in partnership with Operation Lifesaver, the national



leader in rail safety education, to deliver

programming and training at public schools located in critical areas of Alameda County.

Programming Updates

Active Transportation Program Cycle 4

In April 2017, the California legislature approved Senate Bill 1, known as the “Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017.” SB 1 represents the first significant increase in state transportation funding in more than two decades that is dedicated toward the repair and maintenance of local roadways, state highways, public transit and active transportation programs.

SB 1 provides an increase of \$100 million annually for the existing Active Transportation (ATP) Program. This represents an 80 percent increase in the size of this ongoing program. The 2019 ATP (Cycle 4) will cover fiscal years 2019-20 through 2022-23, and the programming process is expected in late spring/early summer 2018. Alameda CTC intends to submit funding applications for the East Bay Greenway Project and the Alameda Countywide Safe Routes to Schools Program.



FY2018-19 TFCA Expenditure Plan

As the [Transportation Fund for Clean Air](#) (TFCA) County Program Manager for Alameda County, Alameda CTC is responsible for programming 40 percent of the \$4 vehicle registration fee collected in Alameda County for this program. The FY2018-19 TFCA Expenditure Plan application establishes the amount of TFCA funds available for programming to projects and program administration by Alameda CTC and is based on the Bay Area Air Quality Management District’s Department of Motor Vehicles revenue estimates for the same period, remaining TFCA funds from closed projects (i.e., canceled or completed), returned funds and earned interest.

The FY2018-19 fund estimate is approximately \$2.2 million, and eligible jurisdictions have been notified to propose candidate projects by the end of March 2018. Alameda CTC will evaluate the proposed projects for TFCA cost-effectiveness and include a recommended FY2018-19 TFCA program in the [2018 Comprehensive Investment Plan](#) update scheduled for consideration by the Commission in May 2018.

Finance Updates

Second quarter investment and financial report approval

During February, the finance team concentrated on producing a mid-year update to the FY2017-18 budget which is necessary to update beginning fund balances from the audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for FY2016-17, so that the budgeted ending fund balances for FY2017-18 are more accurate and to account for changes in revenue and expenditure needs as projects and programs have evolved throughout the fiscal year. This update is expected to go before the Commission for approval in April.

Also during February, the Commission approved the FY2017-18 second quarter financial report, which demonstrates the agency's strong position as compared to budget, and the FY2017-18 second quarter investment report, which indicates the agency's ability to meet expenditure requirements.

Contracting opportunities

Over the next year, Alameda CTC or its sponsor agencies anticipate

solicitation of statements of qualifications, bids and/or proposals for the following:

- Professional services contracts related to:
 - 7th Street Grade Separation and Port Arterial Improvements
 - Express Lane System Manager/Program Support
 - Toll Lanes System Integrator Services for I-580 Express Lanes and Future Network Expansion
 - Express Lane Toll Revenue Forecasting
 - MacArthur Smart City Corridor Project, Phase 1
 - East Oakland Community Streets Plan
- Construction contracts related to:
 - Dublin Widening, Westbound from Two to Three Lanes
 - Mission Boulevard Phases 2 and 3
 - South Bayfront Bridge
 - Berkeley Southside Pilot Transit Lanes

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

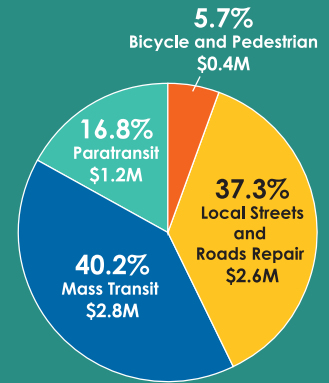


The South Bayfront Pedestrian Bicycle Bridge (rendering courtesy of HNTB)

Transportation Investments

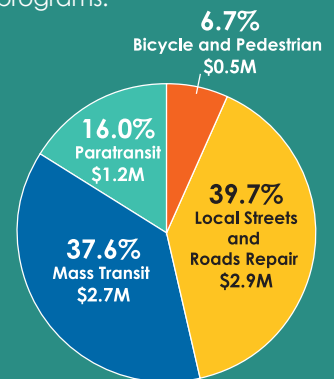
Measure BB Program Distributions

Measure BB direct local distributions began in April 2015 and total over \$195.3 million; more than \$7.0 million was distributed in December 2017.



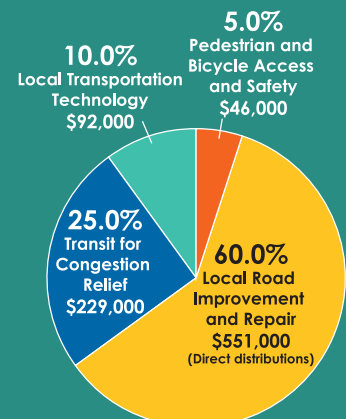
Measure B Program Distributions

Measure B direct local distributions have totaled more than \$963.9 million since 2002. In December 2017, over \$7.3 million was distributed for four programs.



Vehicle Registration Fee

Since 2011, Alameda CTC has distributed more than \$46.9 million for local road repair; over \$0.9 million was collected in December 2017.



Agency Activities

In March, Alameda CTC is participating in the following events:

- BikeMobile visits:
 - March 1 – Garfield Elementary, San Leandro
 - March 2 – Green Elementary, Fremont
 - March 6 – Jackson Avenue Elementary, Livermore
 - March 7 – Emerson Elementary, Oakland
 - March 8 – Dougherty Elementary, Dublin
 - March 10 – Leitch Elementary, Fremont
 - March 13 – Bay Farm Elementary, Alameda
 - March 14 – Ruby Bridges Elementary, Alameda
 - March 15 – Creekside Middle, Castro Valley
 - March 16 – Arroyo Seco Elementary, Livermore
 - March 20 – Brier Elementary, Fremont
 - March 21 – Warwick Elementary, Fremont
 - March 22 – Alisal Elementary, Pleasanton
 - March 23 – Palomares Elementary, Castro Valley
 - March 24 – Reach Academy, Oakland
 - March 28 – Bowman Elementary, Hayward
 - March 30 – Henry Haight Elementary, Alameda
- March 6 – Prevailing Wage Workshop hosted by Alameda CTC, Oakland
- March 14 – Spring 2018 Business Outreach/LBCE Program Update Event, Hayward
- March 14 – California Association of Councils of Governments' 2018 Regional Leadership Forum, Monterey
- March 16 – Transit Fair at the Pleasanton Senior Center
- March 24 – Developmental Disabilities Council's Transition Information Faire, Alameda

CARPOOLING OPTIONS

A number of options to facilitate carpooling are available in the Bay Area aimed



at making carpooling more convenient. Carpool apps available at rideshare.511.org make it easy to schedule one-way

carpool trips and allow you to be either a driver or a passenger. For information about commuting options, visit the [Commuter Choices website](http://CommuterChoices.org).

Other News

Golden Sneaker Contest



The 2018 Golden Sneaker Contest, one of our most fun and popular events that encourages students to take the healthy route to school, took place from February 26 to March 9. Over 90 Alameda County public schools participated in the contest.

During the two-week period, students, parents, teachers and administrators were encouraged to walk, bike, carpool or ride public transit to school. Students in each class kept track of how they got to school each day, and at the end of the contest, the class with the highest percentage of participation received a Golden Sneaker Award — a highly-coveted trophy made from shoes donated by the Golden State Warriors.



The highest-performing school in the county — the school with the greatest increase in active and shared transportation since the students' most recent hand tallies — will receive the Platinum Sneaker Award. The Alameda County Transportation Commission will honor this school by presenting it with the Platinum Sneaker Award at the April 26 Commission meeting.

Committee Activities

March advisory committees

Highlights for March community advisory committees are as follows:

- March 12 – The [Independent Watchdog Committee \(IWC\)](#) had its special annual compliance review and received an overview and orientation for the review of Measure B and Measure BB Audit Reports and Compliance Reports. Additionally, IWC members established their IWC Annual Report Ad Hoc Subcommittee and signed up to watch specific Measure B and BB funded projects and programs.
- March 13 – The [Paratransit Technical Advisory Committee \(ParaTAC\)](#) discussed the fiscal year 2018-2019 (FY2018-19) Program Plan applications, the 2020 Comprehensive Investment Plan priorities and guidelines, and Access Alameda and received a presentation on the Direct Local Distribution Timely Use of Funds Policy. ParaTAC members also discussed mobility management and emergency preparedness and exchanged technical information.
- March 26 – The [Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee \(PAPCO\)](#) established its Program Plan Review Subcommittee, received progress reports on the Comprehensive Investment Plan (CIP) Paratransit Program and discussed 2020 CIP priorities and guidelines. Committee members also reviewed Access Alameda and received reports from the Hayward and Newark Paratransit Programs.
- March 29 – The [Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee \(BPAC\)](#) received a report on Safe Routes to Schools, Bicycle Safety Education, upcoming iBike educational ads, and an update on the California Department of Transportation District 4 Bicycle Plan. BPAC members also reviewed the I-80/Gilman Interchange Projects and received details on Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans implementation.