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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Director's Message

### MEASURE BB COLLECTIONS BEGAN on

April 1, signifying a new era of transportation in Alameda County. With every taxable purchase in Alameda County, a half cent from Measure B and a half cent from Measure BB will fund transportation improvements throughout the county. Voters who approved Measure BB in November 2014 will soon see the benefits of their decision beginning this summer.

As part of the Measure BB implementation process, in March 2015 the Commission approved a two-year Measure BB allocation plan, which will provide an influx of \$184 million for capital projects, programs and direct local funds (see "Project Updates"). The allocation plan is part of Alameda CTC's Comprehensive

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## Transportation Planning Updates

### Countywide Transportation Plan moves forward

Alameda CTC is moving forward with Development of three modal plans: goods movement, arterials and countywide transit. These plans will feed into the update of the long-range Countywide Transportation Plan expected to be adopted by the Commission in June 2016.

### National Bike Month in May



Student cyclist at Dougherty Elementary School (Dublin) and Alameda CTC Commission Chair Scott Haggarty

This year, the East Bay's 21st Annual Bike to Work Day will be on May 14. Energizer stations located throughout the county will fuel riders on their way to work. If you want to tune up your bicycling skills, Alameda CTC offers free bicycle safety classes to help all riders feel comfortable cycling throughout the county.

In addition, Alameda CTC and Bike East Bay partnered again this year to expand the successful 2014 I Bike! visual campaign throughout the county. As in previous years, these ads will be located on buses, at bus shelters and at online locations to celebrate and promote bicycling in Alameda County during the month of May. Let us know if you see these promotional ads — we welcome your photos of them out in the field. Please send your pictures to [contact@alamedactc.org](mailto:contact@alamedactc.org).

## Policy News

### I-680 Southbound Express Lane Annual Report

In April, Alameda CTC released the I-680 Southbound Express Lane FY2013-14 Annual Report, which includes a history of improvements to this corridor, key project and lane milestones, lane use data and financial information for fiscal year 2013-2014.

Highlights of the report include:

- Since opening, 2 million solo trips have been taken on the I-680 Express Lane.
- Lane users generally reach their destination 16 mph faster than motorists experience in the general purpose lanes during peak commute hours.
- Lane operation is fully electronic, with no tollbooths or tollgates, so lane users do not need to slow down or stop to pay.
- The I-680 Southbound Express Lane continues to optimize capacity and reduce congestion southbound along the I-680 corridor.

The I-680 Southbound Express Lane is part of the 550-mile Bay Area Express Lanes Network, which is envisioned to provide increased travel reliability and efficiency and to improve connectivity throughout the region.

This fourth annual report was approved by the Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority board, the governing board that manages the I-680 Southbound Express Lane operations and performance.

To see the previous years' reports, visit the [Reports web page](#), or visit the [I-680 Express Lanes web page](#) for more information about the southbound lane and the proposed I-680 Northbound Express Lane.

**Director's Message cont'd**

Investment Plan that integrates the planning and programming processes for transportation investments in Alameda County.

Alameda CTC's past programming efforts are paying off: The Livermore Amador Valley Transportation Authority's rapid bus routes have transported nearly 450,000 passengers in half a year due to Measure B funding. Measure B and Vehicle Registration Fee funds also are making possible implementation of a key section of the Bay Trail in Emeryville (see "Programming Updates").

Another success story appears in the new I-680 Southbound Express Lane Annual report, which includes a history of improvements to this corridor, key project and lane milestones, lane use data and financial information (read more in "Policy News").

Behind the scenes, the finance team has been developing a balanced budget and an Overall Work Program that will guide the agency's efforts for fiscal year 2015-2016. Find out more about this and upcoming [contracting opportunities](#) in "Finance Updates."

May is National Bike Month, and I encourage you to support biking in your community. The BikeMobile is coming soon to many schools (see schedule on page 4). If you have a competitive streak like me, join the Team Bike Challenge, or ride to work on Bike to Work Day, May 14 (read more in "Transportation Planning Updates"). Other events that may be of interest are also listed on page 4.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR L. DAO  
Executive Director  
Alameda County Transportation Commission

## Project Updates

### Measure BB 2-Year Allocation Plan: \$184 million influx to projects and programs

The Measure BB sales tax became effective on April 1, 2015, and Alameda CTC expects to begin allocating funds this summer. The fiscal year

2015-2016

(FY2015-16)

Measure BB 2-Year Allocation Plan, approved by the Commission in March 2015, represents the initial Measure BB funding allocations for certain projects and programs in the 2014

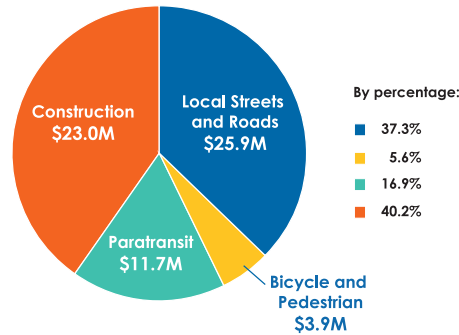
Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP). This approval supports projects and

programs over the next two fiscal years (FY2015-16 and FY 2016-17) with \$184 million.

The 2-Year Allocation Plan includes over \$40 million in allocations toward capital projects and \$137 million for cities, the county and transit operators to fix local

streets, improve biking and walking safety and to expand transit services. Alameda CTC is working with partner agencies to get additional project and program information that will be used for future Measure BB funding recommendations as part of the Comprehensive Investment Plan.

**\$69.4M Projected Measure BB  
Projected Direct Local Distributions in FY 2015-16**



**Measure BB Capital Projects 2-Year Allocation Summary by Phase**

Capital Project Name		Phase	2-Year Allocation
1	Affordable Student Transit Pass Programs (TEP No. 008)	Operations	\$2.0 million
2	Telegraph Avenue/East 14th/International Boulevard (TEP No. 013)	Construction	\$10.0 million
3	I-80 Gilman Street Interchange Improvements (TEP No. 029)	Environmental	\$3.0 million
4	SR-84/I-680 Interchange and SR-84 Widening (TEP No. 031)	Environmental	\$4.0 million
5	SR-84 Expressway Widening (Pigeon Pass to Jack London) (TEP No. 032)	Construction	\$10.0 million
6	I-680 HOT/HOV Lane from SR-237 to Alcosta Boulevard (TEP No. 035)	Design	\$5.0 million
7	East Bay Greenway (TEP No. 042)	Environmental	\$3.5 million
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$40.5 million</b>

**Measure BB Programs 2-Year Allocation Summary by Phase**

Capital Program Name		Phase	2-Year Allocation
1	Affordable Transit for Seniors and People with Disabilities/Coordination and Service Grants (TEP No. 012)	Scoping	\$0.5 million
2	Congestion Relief, Local Bridge Seismic Safety (TEP No. 013)	Scoping	\$1.5 million
3	San Leandro Streets Rehabilitation (TEP No. 026)	Construction	\$3.0 million
4	Community Investments That Improve Transit Connections to Jobs and Schools (TEP No. 045)	Scoping	\$1.5 million
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$6.5 million</b>

## Finance Updates

### Overall Work Program development

In March and April, Alameda CTC has been developing a balanced budget and Overall Work Program (OWP) that will guide the agency's efforts for fiscal year 2015-2016. This extensive process, in addition to the current work performed at Alameda CTC, will take into account the requirements of the new Measure BB. The budget and OWP will go to the Commission for review and approval in May and for final approval in June.

The finance team also has been working to design a new, more robust financial system that can handle Alameda CTC's growing demands and provide more streamlined processing and efficiency.

### Contracting opportunities

Alameda CTC recently awarded a contract to the top-ranked firm for the City of

Alameda Clement Avenue Complete Street Corridor Concept Plan project and is in the negotiations process for the 2016 Countywide Transportation Plan project and the Tri-Valley Integrated Transit/Park-and-Ride Study project.

Upcoming contracting opportunities include development of the maintenance services for the East Bay Greenway – 75th Avenue to 85th Avenue in Oakland, the planning and project approval/environmental document phase for the East Bay Greenway, overall monitoring services for elements of the Congestion Management Program, the project approval/environmental document phase for the I-80 Gilman Project and the Alameda County Student Transit Pass Program. For more information, visit the [Contracting Opportunities web page](#).

## Programming Updates

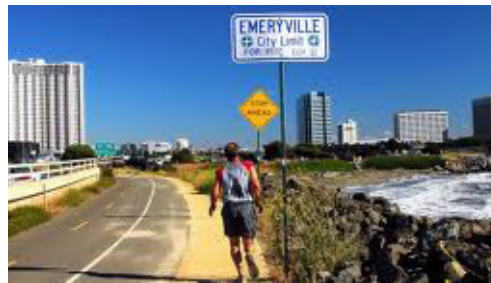
### LAVTA rapid route operations

Measure B express bus funds support Livermore Amador Valley Transportation Authority (LAVTA) bus rapid services including Tri-Valley Rapid, Route 70x/xv from Pleasanton to the Walnut Creek BART Station, Route 20x from the East Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station to Lawrence Livermore National Lab and Sandia Lab, and Route 12v from the Livermore Transit Center to the East Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station.

In the first half of fiscal year 2014-2015, LAVTA rapid routes have transported nearly 450,000 passengers. These transit lines provide congestion relief along the I-580 corridor in East County. Express buses travel more quickly between far-reaching destinations, as they have limited stops and are equipped with technologies to provide real-time arrival and departure information at selected stops.



### Measure B and VRF improve the Bay Trail in Emeryville



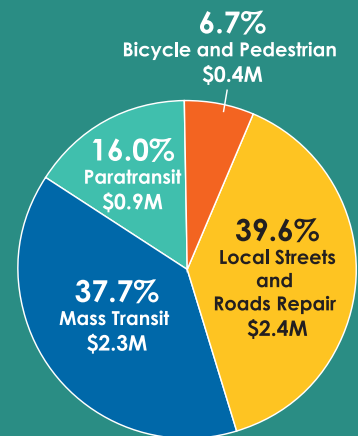
In 2013, Alameda CTC awarded the City of Emeryville \$550,000 in Measure B and Vehicle Registration Fee Bike/Pedestrian grant funds to implement a key section of the Bay Trail in Emeryville. The project is a multi-use Class I bicycle/pedestrian path (separated from streets and cars) along Christie Avenue between Powell Street and Shellmound Street. The proposed trail improvements will redirect bicyclists/pedestrians from the city's most congested intersections and allow them to safely travel on a continuous Bay Trail.

The project is currently finalizing design plans. Construction is expected to begin this June. The new trail is anticipated to open in early fall, closing a gap in access from the Bay Trail north of Powell Street to key destinations in Emeryville including the Bay Bridge Trail near IKEA.

## Transportation Investments

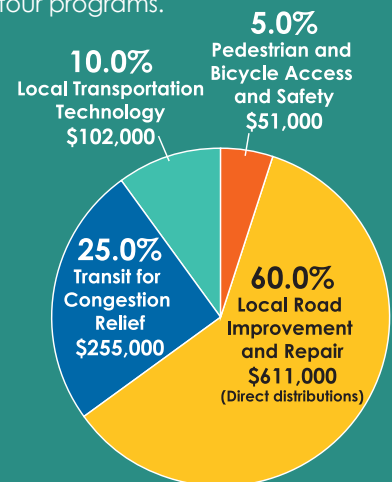
### Measure B Program Distributions Since 2002

Alameda CTC has provided more than \$679.0 million in Measure B local program distributions since 2002. In January 2015, Alameda CTC disbursed over \$6.0 million for the following four programs.



### Vehicle Registration Fee Distributions Since 2011

Alameda CTC has dispersed nearly \$42.0 million in VRF Local Road Repair funds since 2011. In January 2015, Alameda CTC collected over \$1 million for the following four programs.



### Total Measure B-funded Contracts\*

Alameda CTC has funded more than \$837.5 million in contracts for Alameda County businesses since 2000.

\* Total contract amount includes additional fund sources.



## Outreach and Events

In April and May, Alameda CTC will host or participate in these outreach events:

- BikeMobile events:
  - April 1 – Hillside Elementary School in San Leandro
  - April 11 – University Village in Albany
  - April 17 – Musick Elementary School in Newark
  - April 18 – Havens Elementary School in Piedmont
  - April 20 – Frederiksen Elementary School in Dublin
  - April 21 – Grimmer Elementary School in Fremont
  - April 22 – Bohannon Middle School in San Lorenzo
  - April 23 – Berkeley High School in Berkeley
  - April 24 – Glenview Elementary School in Oakland
  - April 25 – Bike East Bay Family Workshop; Earth Day Celebration in Alameda
  - April 26 – Berkeley Bike Festival
  - April 29 – Bowman Elementary School in Hayward
  - May 1 – East Avenue Middle School
  - May 2 – Jefferson Elementary School
  - May 20 – Corvallis Elementary School in San Leandro
- April 1 – BART Train and Track Tour
- April 9 – National Transportation Infrastructure Day in San Francisco
- April 11-12 – 19th Annual Manteca Crossroads Street Faire
- April 15 – Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) Webinar at Alameda CTC: Legal Rights and Issues for Pedestrians and Cyclists
- April 16 – East Bay Leadership Council Series 2015 in Concord
- April 18 – 39th Annual Cinderella Classic at the Alameda County Fairgrounds
- April 22 – Construction Management Association of America presentation in San Francisco; Earth Day Fair at Hacienda Business Park in Pleasanton
- April 23 – Senior Health Fair at the North Berkeley Senior Center
- April 26 – 2015 Stockton Earth Day Festival
- April 29 – Plan Bay Area Open House at the Alameda County Fairgrounds in Pleasanton
- May 2 – 10th Annual Cinco de Mayo con Orgullo at the Ashland Community Center in San Leandro; Bike Month at Delucchi Park (Pleasanton Farmers' Market)
- May 2 and 3 – 24th Annual Livermore Wine Country Festival
- May 6 – Older Americans Month Celebration at Oakland City Hall; 1st Wednesdays Street Party in Pleasanton
- May 7 – Senior Health and Wellness Resource Fair in Castro Valley
- May 9 – Bike Month at Delucchi Park (Pleasanton Farmers' Market)
- May 14 – WTS 2015 Annual Event in Oakland; Bike to Work Day in the cities of Oakland and Dublin; East Bay Economic Development Alliance meeting in Oakland
- May 20 – APBP Webinar at Alameda CTC: Law Enforcement Strategies to Improve Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety
- May 20 – 22 – WTS Annual Conference in Chicago, IL
- May 21 – California Transportation Foundation's 26th Annual Transportation Awards in Sacramento
- May 27 – American Council of Engineering Companies' Bay Bridge Chapter in Oakland
- May 29 – WTS SF Bay Area Chapter Leadership Program luncheon panel
- May 31 – Government Finance Officers' Association 109th Annual Conference presentation in Philadelphia, PA



Presentation of the 2015 Platinum Sneaker Award by Alameda CTC chair and vice chair to Oakland's Westlake Middle School

## Other News

### Stewart Ng retires

Alameda CTC Deputy Director of Programming and Projects Stewart Ng has retired after an illustrious career in transportation that spanned more than 36 years. Before his last day at Alameda CTC in March 2015, colleagues and friends gathered to toast Ng, who is known for his industry knowledge, hard work and dedication to programming and delivering critical infrastructure improvements and programs.

During his tenure, Ng managed Alameda CTC's capital projects and grant programs totaling more than \$4 billion, was instrumental in ensuring capital projects received \$420 million in Proposition 1B funding toward an \$800 million Bond Program as well as partnered with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and California Transportation Commission to ensure project milestones and funding requirements were met to construct several regionally significant projects on I-80, I-580, I-880 and Route 84.

Prior to joining Alameda CTC, Ng was District 4 deputy director at Caltrans.

### Join Us for a Free Webinar

On Wednesday, May 20 from 12-1 p.m. (PST), join us for an Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals free webinar at Alameda CTC, 1111 Broadway, Suite 800. The topic is "Law Enforcement Strategies to Improve Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety." Feel free to bring a brown-bag lunch. Alameda CTC hosts the event and covers the registration fee, so attendance is free.

## Committee Activities

### April advisory committees

Highlights for April community advisory committees include the following:

- April 9 – The [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee](#) received an update on the Countywide Multimodal Arterial Plan, approved the Transportation Fund for Clean Air FY2015-16 guidelines and received updates on the California Transportation Commission meeting, the Alameda County Federal Inactive Projects list and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Local Streets and Roads Working Group.
- April 9 – the [Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee](#) received Complete Streets project review training. In addition, the committee received updates on Transportation Development Act Article 3 projects, a project closeout presentation from the City of Piedmont on its Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan Project as well as updates on Countywide Multimodal Plans, Alameda CTC's Comprehensive Investment Plan and the State Active Transportation Program Cycle II.
- April 27 – The [Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee \(PAPCO\)](#) approved staff's Paratransit Gap Grant Cycle 5 funding extension recommendation and received reports from the Fiduciary and Finance Subcommittee as well as from the Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority. The [Joint PAPCO/Paratransit Technical Advisory Committee](#) convened



in April to receive a presentation on the new BART Fleet of the Future and discuss challenges with dialysis transportation, among other topics.