



State Route 84 Ribbon Cutting
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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director's Message

MEASURE BB PASSED by over 70 percent of Alameda County voters! November 4, 2014 was an historic day for Alameda County, as voters approved Measure BB to generate significant new funding for critical transportation projects and programs included in the [2014 Transportation Expenditure Plan](#).

I want to thank the Alameda County Transportation Commissioners, agency staff and consultants, and many individuals and organizations who worked tirelessly for so long to engage and inform the public about the Plan and its benefits. I also want to thank the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, all the cities and transit agencies in the county, and all the organizations and individuals that had approved and supported the 2014 Plan, a Plan that will [create 150,000 jobs](#) and shape the future of transportation (see "Policy News" for more information).

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Goods Movement Collaborative

The Bay Area Goods Movement Collaborative brings together local and regional partners, community members and stakeholders to address goods movement needs. Alameda CTC is leading the collaborative, in partnership with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), to identify, prioritize and advocate for short- and long-term strategies to address these needs in Alameda County and the Bay Area. With input from the collaborative, Alameda CTC is also developing a Goods Movement Plan that will outline a long-range strategy for moving goods efficiently, reliably and sustainably – within, to, from and through Alameda County by roads, rail, air and water.

The collaborative has established an ongoing method for addressing goods movement investments, policies and programs, which includes a series of roundtable meetings. These forums bring the Executive Team, Technical Team, interest groups and other interested stakeholders together to inform the Countywide Goods Movement Plan, the update to MTC's Regional Goods Movement Plan and goods movement advocacy.

Goods Movement Roundtable in West Oakland

On November 15, 2014, Alameda CTC and MTC hosted a community roundtable in West Oakland to discuss neighborhood issues and opportunities related to goods movement and freight in Alameda County and the Bay Area. This roundtable, "[Community Collaboration for Sustainable Goods Movement](#)," was an interactive and

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Policy News

Measure BB passes by over 70 percent of vote

In November 2014, Alameda County voters said yes to Measure BB, guaranteeing every city in the county a steady, direct and increasing source of local funds for street maintenance, bicycle and pedestrian improvements and paratransit services for seniors and people with disabilities, as well as funding for transportation projects and programs throughout the county. The [2014 Transportation Expenditure Plan](#), funded by Measure BB, will expand BART, bus and commuter rail; keep fares affordable for seniors, youth and people with disabilities; provide traffic relief; improve air quality and create an estimated [150,000 full-time equivalent jobs in Alameda County](#).

"Passing Measure BB is a tremendous accomplishment, one that will be seen as a game changer for Alameda County and the Bay Area for decades to come," says Alameda CTC Chair Supervisor Scott Haggerty.

Alameda CTC wants to thank Alameda County voters, the Commissioners, as well as each and every individual and organization who supported the 2014 Plan and tirelessly performed outreach to educate the public about Measure BB. The [2014 Plan](#) will generate nearly \$8 billion over 30 years for essential transportation improvements in every city in the county.

2015 Legislative Program

Alameda CTC has drafted its 2015 Legislative Program that will provide direction for its legislative and policy activities for the year. The program's funding, regulatory and

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Also in November, the public came out to engage and participate in a [Goods Movement Roundtable](#) held in West Oakland. This Roundtable provided the community the chance to discuss challenges and opportunities resulting from and related to goods and freight movement in Alameda County. This community input will inform the [Countywide Goods Movement Plan](#) currently under development (read more in "Transportation Planning Updates").

As I mentioned in my last report, another plan under development is a new Comprehensive Investment Plan (CIP) that will serve as a strategic projects and programs delivery plan over a five-year period. Alameda CTC will work to advance transportation priorities in the CIP through a comprehensive and integrated programming effort (read more in "Programming Updates").

Alameda CTC and its partners also came together this fall to celebrate significant project accomplishments throughout the County. Read "Project Updates" to find out about three exciting transportation projects that are complete: [Route 84 Expressway Widening – North Segment](#), [I-880/Mission Boulevard \(Route 262\) Interchange Reconstruction](#) and [BART Oakland Airport Connector](#).

In addition to monitoring Alameda CTC's project and program funding, the finance team has produced the draft Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and the first-quarter financial and investment reports. Learn more about another potential award for excellence in financial reporting and [contracting opportunities](#) in "Finance Updates."

Join us at Alameda CTC's open house on December 4 (see "Outreach and Events" on page 4 for more information). I wish you a wonderful holiday season.

Sincerely,

ARTHUR L. DAO
Executive Director
Alameda County Transportation Commission

Project Updates**Significant transportation improvements countywide**

Fall 2014 has been an eventful season for projects in Alameda County. Alameda CTC along with its partners, joined together to celebrate the completion of significant improvements throughout the county, including these three projects:

**Route 84 Expressway Widening – North Segment:**

On October 27, 2014 Alameda CTC, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the cities of Dublin, Livermore and Pleasanton cut the celebratory ribbon on the northern section of the State Route 84 (SR-84) Expressway project. This major widening project improves capacity and local traffic circulation, eases congestion and provides increased safety in the area for pedestrian and bicycle access. SR-84 is a major time-saver for local traffic and for commuters between the Central Valley and Silicon Valley, and with this widening project, SR-84 (Isabel Avenue) reaches expressway standards of 55 mile-per-hour drive speeds.

I-880/Mission Boulevard (Route 262) Interchange Reconstruction:

On October 31, 2014 Alameda CTC, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), Caltrans and the City of Fremont held an event to celebrate completion of a series of improvements and critical transportation infrastructure to help clear and reconfigure the corridor for VTA's BART to Silicon Valley Extension.

The project lowered Warren Avenue underneath the existing Union Pacific Railroad and future BART, widened Mission Boulevard and replaced the Kato Overcrossing to ease congestion, enhance safety and access, and improve local traffic circulation.

BART Oakland Airport Connector:

BART opened the highly anticipated transit network link to the Oakland International Airport in time for the 2014 holiday season. The fully automated, driverless, all-electric cars will move passengers from BART's Coliseum Station to the new Oakland Airport Station in close to 12 minutes. The elevated platform and rail connects the BART system to a key international hub in the Bay Area and offers riders a safe, reliable and environmentally friendly transition between transit services above the vehicular traffic below.

**Oakland Airport Connector Car**

For more information related to the Alameda County Capital Projects Program, visit our [projects web page](#).

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engaging community forum that included panels on two relevant issues: building partnerships between communities and local governments, and addressing health and quality of life impacts related to goods movement. Visit the [Countywide Goods Movement Collaborative and Plan web page](#) for more information.

Finance Updates

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

Over the last couple of months, the finance team has been busy producing Alameda CTC's fiscal year 2013-2014 Draft Audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which is intended for submittal to the Government Finance Officers Association in the hopes of receiving an award for excellence in financial reporting. This is the same award that Alameda CTC received for its FY2012-13 CAFR.

The team has also prepared the FY2014-15 first quarter financial and investment reports that will going to the Commission for approval in December. In addition, the finance team prepared the FY2013-14 Audited Draft Financial Report for the Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority that went to the Sunol JPA Board for approval in November.

Contracting opportunities

Alameda CTC is in the process of reviewing proposals for the Central County Complete

Streets Implementation Project as well as for engineering services for the project approval and environmental document of the State Route 84 Widening from Pigeon Pass to Interstate 680 Project.

The agency anticipates issuing up to four additional solicitations by December 2014. Upcoming contracting opportunities include maintenance services for the East Bay Greenway – 75th Avenue to 85th Avenue in Oakland project, the Tri-Valley Integrated Transit/Park-and-Ride Study and the City of Oakland Bikeway Network 2.0 plan. Alameda CTC also plans to issue four additional solicitations in early 2015. For more information, visit the [Contracting Opportunities web page](#).



Programming Updates

Comprehensive Investment Plan update

The development of Alameda CTC's Comprehensive Investment Plan (CIP) is on schedule to create a prioritization program of capital improvement projects and programs by June 2015. This past October, the Commission approved the CIP's guiding principles and programming fund estimate of approximately \$1.5 billion for FY2015-16 to FY2019-20. The estimate includes federal, state and local resources such as State Transportation Improvement Program funds, sales tax revenues, Vehicle Registration Fees and Transportation for Clean Air funds. When complete, the CIP will be a five-year investment roadmap of the agency's programming.

To strategically program funds countywide, Alameda CTC will perform a multi-step selection analysis that will identify improvements that can be delivered to the public promptly and cost effectively. Over the next months, Alameda CTC will develop project selection methodology and evaluation criteria to guide the prioritization of countywide projects

and programs. Proposed improvements will be examined for credible schedules, complete funding plans and readiness.

FY2013-14 Measure B/VRF compliance reporting

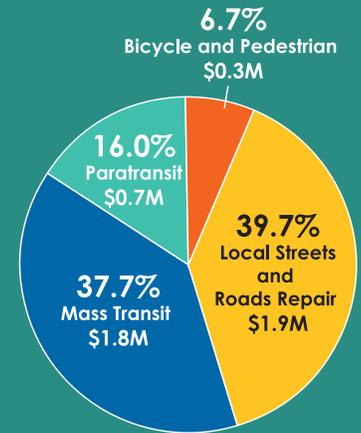
Measure B and Vehicle Registration Fee (VRF) recipients are required to submit an Audited Financial Statement and Program Compliance Report. These reports summarize the recipients' Measure B/VRF revenues and expenses from the prior fiscal year used to support local street and roads, bicycle and pedestrian, paratransit and mass transit investments. The reports for FY2013-14 are due to Alameda CTC at the end of December.

In the spring, Alameda CTC in conjunction with the Citizens' Watchdog Committee will review the submitted materials to ensure compliance with reporting and expenditure requirements. Additional information is available on the [Alameda CTC website](#).

Transportation Investments

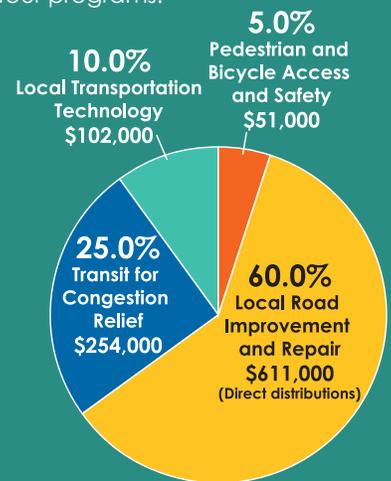
Measure B Program Distributions Since 2002

Alameda CTC has provided more than \$679.0 million in Measure B local program distributions since 2002. In August 2014, Alameda CTC disbursed more than \$4.7 million for the following four programs.



Vehicle Registration Fee Distributions Since 2011

Alameda CTC has dispersed over \$22.0 million in VRF Local Road Repair funds since 2011. In August of this year, Alameda CTC collected more than \$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

Alameda CTC hosts or participates in the following events during November and December:

- November 2 – Dia de los Muertos in Oakland
- November 5 – Measure BB Press Conference at Alameda CTC
- November 19 – Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) webinar at Alameda CTC: E-bikes, Electric Assist Bikes and Transportation Policy
- December 2 - Metropolitan Transportation Commission Benefits Fair in Oakland
- December 4 - Open House at Alameda CTC
- December 17 - APBP webinar at Alameda CTC: Getting to Better Outcomes from Public Engagement

Measure BB Press Conference



Carpenters In Acción (CIA) union members at the November 5 Measure BB press conference

The day after Measure BB's historic win in Alameda County, Alameda CTC hosted a press conference for media as well as the public, regarding the passage of Measure BB by more than 70 percent of the vote. Measure BB will provide \$8 billion over 30 years for essential transportation improvements in every city in Alameda County and will yield \$20 billion in economic activity in the Bay Area and generate nearly 150,000 local jobs.

Year-end Open House on December 4

Please join us for a year-end open house at Alameda CTC on Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 3:30-6 p.m. at 1111 Broadway, Suite 800 (directly following the Commission meeting). Alameda CTC will celebrate successes during the past year and prospects for the upcoming year.

Other News

Excellence in Motion Awards

On October 22, Alameda CTC's Paratransit Coordinator Naomi Armenta received the [Doris W. Kahn Accessible Transportation Award](#) from the Metropolitan



Transportation Commission (MTC) for her commitment to providing access to quality transportation options for seniors and people with disabilities.

MTC says about Armenta, "Her deep familiarity with and passion for Bay Area transit inspired a career in transportation — as well as an awareness of transit's gaps and potential for improvement."

MTC honors people, projects and organizations annually. Alameda CTC, Caltrans District 4 and the Contra Costa Transportation Authority also received a [2014 Merit Award for the Caldecott Fourth Bore Project](#), which was completed on time, on budget; keeps motorists safe; and eases traffic to and through the Caldecott tunnel.

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administrative principles will guide Alameda CTC's legislative advocacy. Priorities fall under six main categories:

1. Transportation Funding
2. Project Delivery
3. Multimodal Transportation and Land Use
4. Climate Change
5. Goods Movement
6. Partnerships

Some of the highest priorities will be to partner at the regional and state level in efforts regarding reauthorization of the federal surface transportation bill, implementation of the Alameda County 2014 Transportation Expenditure Plan, implementation of the state Cap-and-Trade Program for transportation funding that will help address climate change, as well as development of policies that support goods movement, efficient multimodal arterial roadways and reliable, accessible transit.

Committee Activities

November advisory committees

Highlights of November advisory committees include:

- November 6 – The [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee \(ACTAC\)](#) met and approved Alameda CTC's Comprehensive Investment Plan projects selection methodology. ACTAC members also discussed the state's development of the Cap-and-Trade Program and received updates on the Countywide Multimodal Plans and the Bicycle Master Plan Guidelines.
- November 18 – The [Paratransit Technical Advisory Committee \(ParaTAC\)](#) discussed how the new 2014 Transportation Expenditure Plan will affect Paratransit Gap Grant Cycle 6 and discussed the Implementation Guidelines. ParaTAC members also exchanged technical information and received an update on appointments and outreach activities and a presentation from a community-based transportation provider.
- November 24 – The [Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee \(PAPCO\)](#) discussed how the new 2014 Transportation Expenditure Plan will affect Paratransit Gap Grant Cycle 6 and discussed the Implementation Guidelines. In addition, PAPCO members discussed the fiscal year 2015-16 funding formula and received reports from the East Bay Paratransit Advisory Committee and Alameda CTC's Citizens Watchdog Committee.

Getting to Better Outcomes from Public Engagement – A Free Webinar on December 17

Join Alameda CTC as a guest for the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals monthly webinar, "Getting to Better Outcomes from Public Engagement," at 1111 Broadway, Suite 800, on Wednesday, December 17 from 12 to 1 p.m. (PST). As a guest of Alameda CTC, there is no cost for you to attend. Please feel free to bring along a brown bag lunch.