



JUNE 2014

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director's Message

TRANSPORTATION EXPENDITURE PLAN

support is growing, and 13 cities in Alameda County have unanimously approved the [2014 Plan](#) that will fund BART, bus, commuter rail, paratransit for seniors and people with disabilities, an affordable youth transit pass, highways and roads in good repair and safe walking and biking paths.

As the state tries to reduce its wall of debt through Governor Brown's revised budget, and the federal Highway Transportation Fund dwindles, with no revenue solution in sight, this local funding is critical to protect our transportation infrastructure and restore and expand transportation services.

If approved by voters in November 2014, the Plan will be the foundation of new economic strength in Alameda County (read more in "Policy News").

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Transportation Planning Updates

Goods Movement Roundtable on July 23

Goods movement is essential for a strong economy and high quality of life, and Alameda County's location and transportation assets make it a goods movement hub for Northern California. Alameda CTC is developing a [Goods Movement Collaborative and Plan](#) to bring stakeholders together to advocate for regional goods movement needs and to articulate a long-range strategy to ensure efficient, sustainable movement of goods by road, rail, air and water.

The project team has completed substantial work including focus groups with representatives of business, labor, trucking, maritime, community/environmental and local government interests. A half-day roundtable to bring together all stakeholder groups is planned for July 23, 2014 at Alameda CTC. Visit the [meeting calendar](#) prior to the meeting for more information.

SB 743 implementation update

Senate Bill 743 directs the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) to develop alternative criteria for measuring the transportation impacts of a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) that do not rely on vehicle measures of capacity or delay, such as vehicle level of service. The law states the new criteria must promote the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, the development of multimodal transportation networks and a diversity of land uses.

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Policy News

Measure B reauthorization moves toward the ballot

In June 2014, the Transportation Expenditure Plan Steering Committee and the Commission will review and approve the ordinance for the Alameda County [2014 Transportation Expenditure Plan](#) (Plan), which includes the ballot language voters will see this fall. Plan approval by voters would infuse Alameda County with nearly \$8 billion for transportation improvements that will benefit local residents and businesses.

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The detailed plan includes taxpayer safeguards such as independent audits, compliance reports and an Independent Watchdog Committee that reports to the public. The Plan will:

- Restore, upgrade and expand BART.
- Increase reliable bus service.
- Reduce traffic and fix potholes.
- Improve air quality.

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Director's Message cont'd

Alameda CTC has already created numerous jobs in Alameda County through its \$800 million state bond-funded program through which 100 percent of the projects have been delivered to construction. Find out more about this and the [I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvement at 23rd and 29th Avenue Project](#) in "Project Updates."

A comprehensive Goods Movement Plan will also strengthen the Bay Area's economy. Alameda CTC is holding a Goods Movement Roundtable on July 23, 2014, to gather stakeholder input on our [Goods Movement Collaborative and Plan](#) (read more in "Transportation Planning Updates").

Alameda CTC has finalized our internal blueprint for fiscal year 2014-2015 that ties to our budget, the Overall Work Program. Learn more about this and upcoming [contracting opportunities](#) in "Finance Updates."

Last month, I mentioned sharing the Team Bike Challenge results. Alameda CTC ranked in the top half of 191 small companies in Alameda County. During [National Bike Month](#) in May, Alameda CTC's two teams (each with five participating members):

- Biked 279 miles.
- Saved 280 pounds of CO₂.
- Burned 11,998 calories.
- Took 148 (one-way) trips by bike.

The City of Albany's [Buchanan/Marin Bikeway](#) received \$536,000 in Measure B discretionary bicycle and pedestrian grant funds and will be another great place to ride once it closes the bicycle network gap between the Ohlone Greenway and the Bay Trail (see "Programming Updates"). If you're out and about, join us at some of the upcoming activities and events listed on page 4.

Sincerely,

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Alameda CTC staff has been working with other county congestion management agencies, local jurisdictions, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the Association of Bay Area Governments and other transportation planning and engineering professionals to provide critical input to OPR staff as they develop new criteria. When OPR releases the draft criteria in July 2014, Alameda CTC will work with [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee](#) members to review and comment on the criteria and to provide implementation guidance and technical assistance.

Project Updates

Alameda CTC state bond-funded programs create jobs

In April 2014, the I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvement at 23rd and 29th Avenue Project in Oakland was awarded to a local Alameda County firm, and construction activities are expected to begin in early July 2014.



This project will construct various operational and safety improvements on I-880 at the existing overcrossings of 23rd and 29th Avenues in the City of Oakland. Improvements include:

- Replacement of the freeway overcrossing structures.
- Safety improvements to the northbound on and off ramps and the freeway mainline.
- A new soundwall in the northbound direction between 29th and 26th Avenues.

The majority of the estimated total project cost of \$100 million is funded by the Trade Corridor Improvements Fund (TCIF) of the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, approved by the voters as Proposition 1B in November 2006. The TCIF funds were

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- Provide safe walking and biking options.
- Provide an affordable student transit pass.
- Create good-quality, local jobs.

Alameda CTC requested the Alameda County Board of Supervisors place the Plan and transportation sales tax measure on its July 8 agenda for approval and placement on the November 2014 ballot. Visit www.AlamedaCTC.org/2014Plan to learn more.

awarded to projects that would provide infrastructure improvements along federally designated "Trade Corridors of National Significance" with high volumes of freight movement.

Located on I-880 between the Oakland International Airport and the Port of Oakland, the I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvements project was selected for its regional significance as a direct distribution system for goods movement and a vital trade corridor.



Alameda CTC is pleased to report that with this contract award, 100 percent of the projects in the \$800 million Alameda CTC state bond-funded program have been delivered to construction, creating jobs in Alameda County. For more information, see the [I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvements at 23rd and 29th Avenues Project fact sheet](#) or visit our [projects web page](#).

Finance Updates

Overall Work Program for FY2014-15

On May 22, the Commission approved the draft proposed budget for FY2014-15 and reviewed the draft Overall Work Program for FY2014-15, which ties directly into the draft proposed budget. The finance team will bring this proposed budget as well as the Overall Work Program document forward for final approval by the Commission at its June 2014 meeting. These documents will enable Alameda CTC staff to continue to plan, fund and deliver transportation programs and projects in Alameda County throughout FY2014-15.

Contracting opportunities

In April 2014, Alameda CTC received proposals for the Countywide Travel Demand Model Maintenance and Modeling Work and Iron Horse Trail Connectivity to BART Feasibility Study and awarded contracts to the top-ranked firms.

Programming Updates

Measure B at work: City of Albany Buchanan/Marin Bikeway Project

Alameda CTC awarded \$536,000 in Measure B discretionary bicycle and pedestrian grant funds to the City of Albany to construct bicycle lanes along Marin Avenue and along the Buchanan Marin Bikeway in the vicinity of San Pablo Avenue. The project will construct and improve the bicycle facilities including lane reconfigurations, signal modifications and pedestrian bulb outs that will increase travel safety across all modes.

With these improvements, the City of Albany will complete a critical link of local and regional significance between the Ohlone Greenway and the Bay Trail. Currently, the project is in the design phase, which is expected to be complete by December 2014. Construction will proceed shortly thereafter through May 2016. For additional information, see the [project sponsor's website](#).

Measure B/VRF compliance reporting

Each year, Alameda CTC requires Measure B and Vehicle Registration Fee Direct Local Program Distribution recipients to submit an Audited Financial Statement and a

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Alameda CTC anticipates issuing solicitations for the I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvements at 23rd and 29th Avenues – East Bay MUD Utility Relocation, East Bay Greenway Maintenance – 75th Avenue to 85th Avenue in Oakland and the Sustainable Communities Technical Assistance Program (SC-TAP) by summer 2014.

The list of SC-TAP projects includes: Albany Citywide Parking Study and Plan, Bikeway Network 2.0, Clement Avenue Complete Street Corridor, Central County Complete Streets Implementation, Hayward Downtown Specific Plan, Oakland Comprehensive Downtown Circulation Study, San Leandro Downtown Parking Management Plan and Tri-Valley Integrated Transit/Park and Ride Study. For more information, visit the [Contracting Opportunities web page](#).



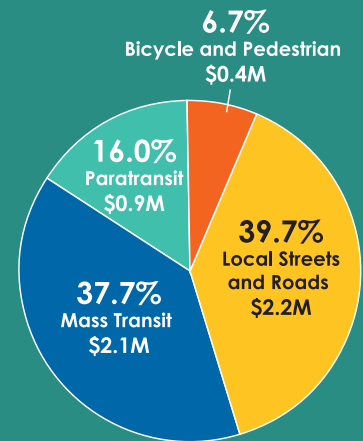
Compliance Report that describes Measure B/VRF-funded improvements. Alameda CTC reviews these reports to confirm that voter-approved transportation dollars are supporting local streets and roads, bicycle and pedestrian, paratransit and mass transit improvements within Alameda County.

For the Measure B/VRF reporting fiscal year 2012-2013 (FY12-13), Alameda CTC has reviewed every recipients' Measure B/VRF revenues and expenditures as well as the implementation plans for any fund balances. The recipients' [Measure B and VRF FY12-13 Compliance Reports](#) are available on Alameda CTC's website. The Commission will receive a summary report presentation of the jurisdictions' FY12-13 expenditure activities in June.

Transportation Investments

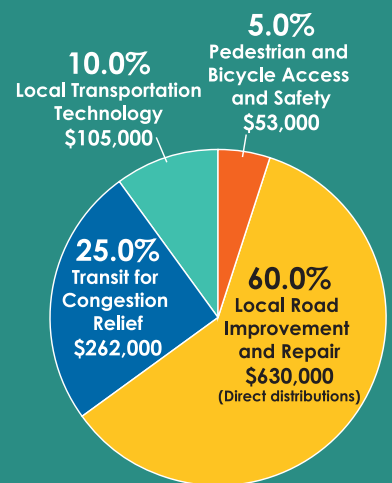
Measure B Program Distributions Since 2002

Alameda CTC has provided more than \$679.0 million in Measure B local program distributions since 2002. In March 2014, Alameda CTC disbursed \$5.6 million for the following four programs.



Vehicle Registration Fee Distributions Since 2011

Alameda CTC has dispersed more than \$19.7 million in VRF Local Road Repair funds since 2011. In March 2014, Alameda CTC collected nearly \$1.1 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 June and July, Alameda CTC is participating in or hosting these outreach events:

- BikeMobile events – The BikeMobile will be at elementary and high schools, and libraries through out Alameda County. Go to <http://bike-mobile.org./calendar/> to find an event near you.
- June 4; July 2 – City Center Summer Sounds Concert Series in Oakland
- June 6 – Four Seasons of Health Expo at Fremont's Multi-Service Senior Center
- June 11 - Caregivers Resource Fair at Eden Medical Center Castro Valley Hospital
- June 12 - F.U.N. Sunset Rotary Club at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Union City
- June 13 – Health Fair at St. Paul's Towers in Oakland
- June 18 – Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) Webinar at Alameda CTC: Calming Arterial Streets for Safer Walking and Cycling
- June 19, 26; July 3 – Senior Days at the Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton
- June 21 – Tropics Senior Resource Fair in Union City
- June 25 – Fremont Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee meeting
- July 1 – Alameda City Council presentation on the [2014 Alameda County Transportation Expenditure Plan](#)
- July 2 – 1st Wednesdays Street Party in Pleasanton
- July 3 – Hayward Chamber of Commerce Government Relations Committee meeting
- July 8 - Alameda County Board of Supervisors presentation on the [2014 Plan](#)
- July 12 – Newark 2014 Annual SummerFest
- July 17 – APBP Webinar at Alameda CTC: From Fast to Safer: Best Practices Where Road Speeds Change
- July 17 – Downtown Hayward Street Parties
- July 26 – Pedalfest at Jack London Square/BikeMobile in Oakland
- July 26 – Park Street Art and Wine Faire in Alameda
- July 26 – 2014 Black Expo at Frank Ogawa Plaza in Oakland

Other News

Record-breaking Bike Month

This May was Alameda County's very successful "Bike Month." On May 8th [Bike to Work Day](#) celebrated its 20th year in Alameda County, and an estimated 15,757 bicyclists rode in the East Bay that day – a 24 percent increase from 2013!

[Bike to School Day](#) also saw a significant increase in participation – from less than 10 schools in 2011 to over 100 schools and over 5,000 students in 2014. Bike to School Day is implemented through the Alameda CTC



[Safe Routes to School Program](#), partially funded by Measure B, that helps students and families safely try walking or bicycling instead of driving. The program supports healthy "active transportation" and includes the [Bike Mobile](#), bike rodeos and educational puppet shows at schools in Alameda County.

Join Us at the Next Free Webinar: From Fast to Safer – Best Practices Where Road Speeds Change

On July 18, 2014, Alameda CTC will host the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals webinar. This free event is open to all. Don't forget to bring your lunch. Watch for upcoming topics on every third Wednesday of the month on the [Alameda CTC meeting calendar](#).

Committee Activities

June 2014 advisory committees



In June, the following community advisory committees met. Highlights include:

- June 5 – The [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee](#) approved the Countywide Goods Movement Plan vision and goals, the FY2014-15 Vehicle Registration Fee Allocation Plan as well as the State Transportation Improvement Program, Federal Surface Transportation/ Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality, and Transportation Fund for Clean Air at-risk monitoring reports.
- June 9 – The [Citizens Watchdog Committee](#) elected officers and approved the bylaws and calendar for FY2014-15. In addition, the committee reviewed the draft CWC Annual Report and established a CWC Audit Subcommittee.
- June 10 – The [Paratransit Technical Advisory Committee](#) received an update on the Hospital Discharge Transportation Service/Wheelchair and Scooter Breakdown Service, and exchanged technical information.
- June 23 – The [Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee \(PAPCO\)](#) elected officers for FY2014-15, reviewed PAPCO officer roles and responsibilities and received a Gap Grant Cycle 5 program report from Emeryville 8-to-Go. The committee also received an update on the 2014 Annual Mobility Workshop.