

Alameda CTC *Executive Director's Report*



Executive Director's Message



On Monday, June 12, 2012, the Board of Supervisors appointed Richard Valle to be the Supervisor for District 2, and I welcome him to the Commission. I would also like to thank Councilmembers Olden Henson and Joyce Starosciak for their service as Commissioners. We wish them both all the best in their next endeavors.

As the congestion management agency for Alameda County, Alameda CTC will prepare and adopt a Priority Development Area Investment and Growth Strategy by May 1, 2013, to be an eligible fund recipient of the four-year OneBayArea Grant Program. Alameda CTC has begun this process (read more in "Transportation Planning Updates"). Also, Alameda CTC is making progress on developing the following policies: a funding policy to strategically integrate local, state and federal funding sources to support the county's funding needs, a procurement policy, a Complete Streets policy, as well as a transit oriented development/priority development area transportation investment strategy (read more in "Program and Policy Updates").

In July 2012, Alameda CTC staff anticipates approval of approximately \$365,000 in

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Transportation Planning Updates

Strategizing for growth in Alameda County:

Alameda CTC initiated its public process in June 2012 for implementation of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's, [OneBayArea Grant \(OBAG\) Program](#). OBAG was developed to support the Sustainable Communities Strategy for the Bay Area by promoting transportation investments in Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and by initiating a pilot program that will support open space preservation in Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs). To participate in this four-year, \$320 million program, OBAG requires each congestion management agency (CMA) in the region to prepare and adopt a PDA Investment and Growth Strategy by May 1, 2013 to guide transportation investments that are supportive of PDA infill development. This strategy must describe how land use policy integrates with transportation investments [funded by OBAG](#). Each CMA must develop a process to engage local jurisdictions that supports and encourages development in the county's PDAs and supports local jurisdictions in meeting their housing objectives established through their adopted housing elements and the Regional Housing Needs Allocation.

Alameda County has [44 PDAs and 17 PCAs](#). In the coming months, Alameda CTC will work with the region, local jurisdictions, stakeholders

and partners to define a strategy for Alameda County. To begin this process, Alameda CTC has formed an ad-hoc committee that consists of planning and public works representatives from the cities of Dublin, Fremont, Hayward and Oakland, who will meet regularly over the next year to assist in the development of the strategy to be presented to the Commission and stakeholders.

In September, the Commission will be presented with regionwide information about implementation of the OBAG program, including the PDA Investment and Growth Strategy. Visit the [meetings calendar](#) in September for more information about the September committee and Commission meetings.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans update: The update of the [2006 Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans](#) is coming to a close. The plans identify countywide capital project and program priorities and guide the allocation of countywide funds. The update process began in May 2010, and final plans are scheduled to be considered for adoption by the Alameda CTC in September 2012. On June 25, 2012, Alameda CTC released the draft plans for public comment and will accept comments through Friday, July 27 at 5 p.m. Please use the [comment form](#), and for more information, see the [Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans web page](#).

Program and Policy Updates

Measure B fund recipients in compliance:

After working with Alameda CTC to clarify Measure B expenditures and to provide additional requested information, all local Measure B recipients, including transit agencies, jurisdictions and Alameda County, are in compliance. In September, Alameda CTC will distribute new audit instructions and compliance report forms to Measure B and Vehicle Registration Fee (VRF) fund recipients who will use them to document both Measure B and VRF fiscal year 11-12 expenditures. Watch the website for details on the compliance workshop this fall. The audit report is due to Alameda CTC on

December 27, and the compliance report is due on December 31, 2012.

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Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) funding for fiscal year 12-13 (FY 12-13). The Measure B-funded Alameda County Safe Routes to School Program is expanding in San Leandro, and Alameda CTC recently awarded a same-day transportation service contract to St. Mini Cab Corporation for paratransit services. In addition, the Proposition 1B Bond-funded capital projects on I-580, I-80 and I-880 are moving ahead, and Alameda CTC expects to award construction contracts before December 2012. Many groundbreaking events will be held in the coming months to celebrate these achievements. Read more in "Programming and Project Updates."

The Alameda CTC finance team has been working to finalize and present a balanced and sustainable consolidated budget for FY 12-13 and to engage in the audit process with the agency's new auditors who were onsite for three weeks in June (see "Finance Updates" for more information).

Other news: In June, Alameda CTC authorized staff to issue a request for proposals to conduct an "after" study to evaluate performance of the Southbound I-680 Express Lane.

During the long summer days, I hope to see you at upcoming outreach activities and events (see pages 3 and 4 for details), and safe travels to you and your family throughout vacation season.

Sincerely,

Arthur L. Dao
Executive Director, Alameda CTC



Interstate 680 Express Lanes

(Program and Policy Updates continued from page 1)

Annual Mobility Workshop: Sponsored by the Alameda CTC and the Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee (PAPCO), the 9th Annual Alameda CTC Senior and Disabled Mobility Workshop, Tools and Strategies to Promote Activity and Connection, was well-attended on Monday, July 16 at the [Ed Roberts Campus](#) in Berkeley. Seniors and people with disabilities discussed planning for sustainability in the Bay Area's paratransit systems and got to see first-hand the latest accessible vehicles at a vehicle "show-and-tell."

Policy updates: Alameda CTC is developing a funding policy to establish a comprehensive program aimed at strategically integrating local, state and federal funding sources to support the

county's funding needs. Work has also begun on an agency procurement process that addresses the contracting policies for local and small, local businesses with local funds (Measure B and VRF), as well as general contracting for all fund sources.

In addition, Alameda CTC is developing an internal Complete Streets policy and implementation guidelines, and transit oriented development/priority development area policies that are part of the PDA Investment and Growth Strategy described in the Planning Updates section of this report. Alameda CTC is also initiating the development of its legislative strategy for 2013, and will present recommendations to the Commission in fall 2012.

Programming and Project Updates

Approval of Transportation Fund for Clean

Air program: The Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) is a local fund source of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) generated from a \$4 vehicle registration fee. As the TFCA program manager for Alameda County, the Alameda CTC is responsible for annually selecting projects for 40 percent of the fee collected in Alameda County for this program. In July 2012, it is anticipated that the Alameda CTC will approve a total of \$364,982 in TFCA funding for fiscal year 12-13. Projects include additional service hours for the California State University East Bay campus to BART shuttle; Friday and Saturday evening service for Oakland's Free Broadway Shuttle; Pleasanton's Trip Reduction Program; and LAVTA's Route 10 Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and Routes 53 and 54 BART to ACE shuttles.

Safe Routes to Schools expansion in

San Leandro: Through a collaborative effort made possible as a result of the City of San Leandro receiving a grant from the Caltrans Safe Routes to School Cycle 3 Non-Infrastructure program and use of its own Measure B bicycle and pedestrian funds, all San Leandro elementary and middle schools will now receive an enhanced, in-depth Safe Routes to School program for the 2012-2013 school year. The unique opportunity will not only become a pilot for Alameda County, but will set an example of additional services and benefits possible should additional funding become available. The City will provide each of the classes in 13 schools with student workshops, pedestrian/bicyclist safety rodeos and traffic skills courses, in addition to the current Alameda County Safe Routes to Schools program, which will reach out

to almost 100 schools in Alameda County.

Award of Central County same-day

transportation service contract: Alameda CTC received proposals from vendors to provide subsidized, same-day, door-to-door transportation service in Central Alameda County that would serve people with disabilities and seniors in the service areas currently covered by the cities of Hayward, San Leandro and unincorporated areas of Castro Valley, San Lorenzo, Ashland and Cherryland. Alameda CTC selected the St. Mini Cab Corporation to provide this service and anticipates entering into a contract in July to begin service to the residents of Central County in early August.

Proposition 1B Bond-funded projects update:

In May 2012, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) allocated \$146.7 million of funding from the Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) for Alameda County projects along I-580, I-80, and I-880. These allocations represent the remainder of the CMIA funding for the projects implemented by the Alameda CTC and clear the way for award of the construction contracts before the statutory award deadline of December 2012. Caltrans will administer the construction contracts funded by the CMIA with support from Alameda CTC design consultants and staff. The Alameda CTC is implementing another Proposition 1B-funded project, the I-880 Operational and Safety Improvements at 23rd and 29th Avenues in Oakland, using funds from the Trade Corridor Improvement Fund (TCIF). The design for the I-880 TCIF project is expected to be complete by the end of September 2012.

Finance Updates

During the month of June, the finance team worked to finalize and present a balanced and sustainable consolidated budget for fiscal year (FY 12-13) and to engage in the audit process with the agency's new auditors, Vavrinek, Trine, Day & Co.

The consolidated budget for FY 12-13 was presented to, and received approval from, the Commission in June. The development of the budget centered on the mission and core functions of the Alameda CTC to enable the agency to plan, fund and deliver transportation programs and projects that expand access and improve mobility to foster a vibrant and livable Alameda County.

The budget includes funding for a variety of vital programs and projects. It provides resources of \$174.5 million and authorizes expenditures of \$227.4 million for an overall decrease in fund balance of \$52.9 million and a projected ending fund balance of \$102.5 million.

During the month of June, the auditors had a team onsite for three weeks to test all aspects of financial, purchasing and other transactions and procedures with the goal of forming an opinion on Alameda CTC's financial statements. They also met with the audit committee to review their audit plan and to get a feel for the confidence they entrust in management. The auditors are expected back by the end of August to finalize the audit process.

Committee Activities



2012 Mobility Workshop

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

- **July 3** – The [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee](#) approved the final Transportation Fund for Clean Air program for fiscal year 2012-13 (FY 12-13) and reviewed the Vehicle Registration Fee Transportation Technology Program and the Congestion Management Program's FY 11-12 update of the Land Use Analysis Program Element.
- **July 9** – The [Citizens Watchdog Committee \(CWC\)](#) approved the CWC 10th Annual Report to the Public, established a CWC audit

subcommittee and approved its FY 12-13 calendar, bylaws and watch list.

- **July 12** – The [Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee \(BPAC\)](#) reviewed the most recent draft of the Countywide Pedestrian and Bicycle Plans and the annual Countywide Pedestrian and Bicycle County Program sites and draft counts.
- **July 16** – The [Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee \(PAPCO\)](#) held its 9th Annual Senior and Disabled Mobility Workshop, *Paratransit at a Crossroads: Looking into the Future of Paratransit in Alameda County*, at the Ed Roberts Campus in Berkeley. Participants at this well-attended event discussed how to enhance and improve the level of paratransit service in the county.
- **July 26** – The [Citizens Advisory Committee \(CAC\)](#) received an update from the CAC Outreach Subcommittee and discussed outreach goals and objectives for FY 12-13, as well as held their South County Transportation Forum in Union City.

Join Us at a Free Webinar on August 15

Each month on Wednesday, the Alameda CTC hosts the Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) monthly webinar at 1333 Broadway, Suite 300. The next webinar is on Wednesday, August 15 from 12 to 1 p.m. (PST). The topic is Transforming Streets into Inviting Public Spaces, which will examine how cities can transform their streets



into people-friendly places. Feel free to bring a brown bag lunch. The Alameda CTC pays the APBP registration fee, so attendance is free and open to all.

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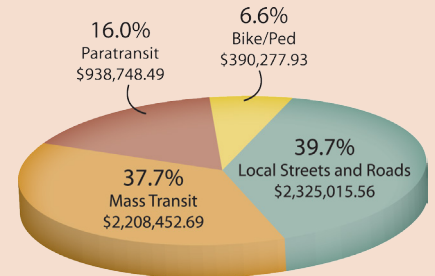
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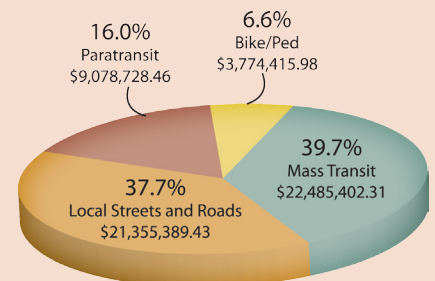
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One Month of Distributions



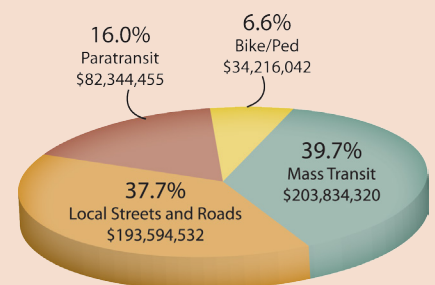
Alameda CTC allocated a total of \$5,862,494.67 in Measure B funds for four programs in April 2012 (the last reported month).

One Year of Allocations



During fiscal year 2010-2011, Alameda CTC allocated just under \$57 million in Measure B pass-through funds.

Summary of Overall Allocations



Alameda CTC has allocated almost \$514 million in Measure B pass-through funds through June 30, 2011.

Outreach & Events

In July and August, the Alameda CTC is hosting or participating in these outreach events:

- **July 16** – Alameda CTC's Annual Mobility Workshop at Ed Roberts Campus in Berkeley
- **July 18** – Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals (APBP) Webinar at Alameda CTC: The Greener Side of Green Streets: Reducing Pavement Footprints
- **July 19** – Healthy Living Festival at the Oakland Zoo
- **July 26** – South County Transportation Forum at Union City City Hall
- **July 28, 29** – Alameda Park Street Art and Wine Faire
- **August 1** – First Wednesdays Street Party in Pleasanton
- **August 4** – Fremont Festival of the Arts
- **August 8** – Healthy Aging Fair in Alameda County
- **August 15** – APBP Webinar at Alameda CTC: Transforming Streets into Inviting Public Spaces
- **August 16** – Hayward Street Festival
- **August 18** – Pedal Fest in Jack London Square, Oakland and Zucchini Festival in Hayward
- **August 19** – Caltopia at U.C. Berkeley
- **August 25** – Chinatown Streetfest in Oakland
- **August 29** – Four Seasons of Health Expo in Fremont

South County Transportation Forum in Union City:

On Thursday, July 26, the Alameda CTC and its Citizens Advisory Committee are hosting the South County Transportation Forum at Union City City Hall. Attendees will meet project sponsors, receive an update on the New Transportation Expenditure Plan on the November ballot, as well as receive updates on key projects and programs in South County, including Safe Routes to Schools and the BikeMobile, Tri-City Senior Mobility Programs, BART Extension to Warm Springs and Irvington Station, Union City Intermodal Station, Dumbarton Rail Corridor and the I-680 Express Lane.

Other News

I-680 Express Lane “after” study: Alameda CTC has authorized issuance of a request for proposals to conduct an “after” study to evaluate performance of the Southbound I-680 Express Lane and report to the legislature on findings, conclusions and recommendations concerning the I-680 Express Lane program as required by the California Streets and Highways Code Section 149.5. The “after” study would begin in late August with data collection slated for September and October 2012 to be consistent with the “before” study. The evaluation will be complete by January 31, 2013, to allow for the preparation and submission of a report to the legislature by June 30, 2013. Visit the [Alameda CTC Contracting Opportunities](#) page for more information about this contracting opportunity and other opportunities.

Alameda CTC Capital Projects

Fact sheets are updated as projects progress or, at a minimum, quarterly.

Highway Improvement Projects

I-80 Corridor

- [I-80/Gilman Interchange \(Study\) \(APN 765.0\)](#)
- [I-80 Integrated Corridor Mobility \(ICM\) \(APN 791.0\)](#)

I-238 Corridor

- [Route 238/Mission-Foothill-Jackson Corridor Improvements \(APN 506.0\)](#)
- [I-238 Widening \(APN 621.0\)](#)

I-580 Corridor

- [I-580/Castro Valley Interchange Improvements \(APN 612.0\)](#)
- [I-580 WB Auxiliary Lane \(Airway Boulevard to Fallon Road\) \(APN 614.2\)](#)
- [I-580 Corridor/BART to Livermore Studies \(APN 626.0\)](#)
- [I-580 Corridor Environmental Mitigation \(APN 720.3\)](#)
- [I-580 Eastbound Express \(HOT\) Lane \(APN 720.4\)](#)
- [I-580 Eastbound Auxiliary \(AUX\) Lane \(APN 720.5\)](#)
- [I-580 Corridor Right of Way Preservation \(APN 723.0\)](#)
- [I-580 Westbound HOV Lane \(APN 724.0\)](#)
- [I-580 Westbound Express \(HOT\) Lane \(APN 724.1\)](#)
- [I-580 Landscape Project - San Leandro \(APN 764.0\)](#)

I-680 Corridor

- [I-680 Sunol Express Lanes - Southbound \(APN 710.4A\)](#)
- [I-680 Sunol Express Lanes - Northbound \(APN 710.4B\)](#)
- [I-680/I-880 Cross Connector Studies \(APN 770.0\)](#)

I-880 Corridor

- [I-880/Mission Boulevard \(Route 262\) Interchange Reconstruction \(APN 501.0\)](#)
- [I-880 to Mission Boulevard East-West Connector \(APN 505.0\)](#)
- [I-880/Broadway Jackson Interchange Improvements \(APN 610.0\)](#)
- [I-880 North Safety and Operational Improvements at 23rd and 29th Avenues \(APN 717.0\)](#)
- [I-880 Southbound HOV Lane \(APN 730.0\)](#)

Highway Projects continued

Route 84

- [Route 84/I-580 Interchange \(APN 623.0\)](#)
- [Route 84 Expressway \(APN 624.0\)](#)

Route 92

- [Route 92/Clawiter-Whitesell Interchange and Reliever Route \(APN 615.0\)](#)

SMART Corridors

- [Smart Corridors Operation and Management \(APN 945.0\)](#)

Transit Projects

- [Altamont Commuter Express Rail \(APN 601.0\)](#)
- [BART Warm Springs Extension \(APN 602.0\)](#)
- [BART Oakland Airport Connector \(APN 603.0\)](#)
- [Union City Intermodal Station \(APN 606.0\)](#)
- [Telegraph Avenue Corridor Bus Rapid Transit \(APN 607.0\)](#)

Transit Planning Projects

- [Central Alameda County Freeway System Operational Analysis \(APN 508.0\)](#)
- [Castro Valley Local Area Traffic Circulation Improvement \(APN 509.0\)](#)

Rail Projects

- [Dumbarton Rail Corridor \(APN 625.0\)](#)

Local Streets and Roads Projects

- [Lewelling/ East Lewelling Boulevard Widening \(APN 613.0\)](#)
- [Hesperian Boulevard/Lewelling Boulevard Intersection Improvement \(APN 617.1\)](#)
- [E. 14th Street/Hesperian Boulevard/150th Street Intersection Improvements \(APN 619.0\)](#)
- [Webster Street SMART Corridor \(APN 740.2\)](#)

Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects

- [Downtown Oakland Streetscape Improvement \(APN 604.0\)](#)
- [Iron Horse Transit Route \(APN 609.0\)](#)
- [Westgate Parkway Extension \(APN 618.1\)](#)