



ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

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Keeping Our Promises

Alameda CTC is keeping our promises of delivering projects and programs while supporting jobs and the economy. I am ensuring that the agency continues to perform strategic planning, develop projects and implement programs, move projects into construction, and support our cities, the County, transit agencies and business partners during this pandemic. Our work is an important part of supporting local communities and the economy.

Thank you,

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Project Updates

State Route 262 (Mission Boulevard) Cross Connector

The [State Route 262 \(Mission Boulevard\) Cross Connector](#) is a heavily traveled east-west corridor located in the City of Fremont. The scoping phase of this project is now complete and project development activities have begun in the environmental phase. In cooperation with the City of Fremont and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), activities in the environmental phase include public outreach, scoping meeting, air quality conformity review, release of an environmental document and project approval with Caltrans. During this phase, initial alternatives will be presented and subsequently, a recommended alternative will be documented to move forward into the final design phase. The alternatives aim to improve operations and safety, address cut-through traffic, and provide multimodal facilities.

Notifications regarding public outreach and opportunities to be involved in project development will be posted on the [project webpage](#).



Interstate 880 Interchange Improvements (Winton Avenue and A Street)



The [Interstate 880 \(I-880\) Interchange Improvements \(Winton Avenue and A Street\)](#) project proposes to provide operational improvements at the Winton Avenue and A Street interchanges, as well as the I-880 mainline by constructing auxiliary lanes between the two interchanges. Improvements are needed at both interchanges to address current and future congestion and to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and access to major destinations.

The project is currently in the project approval and environmental document phase.

Alameda CTC is working closely with the City of Hayward and Caltrans in anticipation of releasing the draft environmental document for public review and a virtual public meeting in spring 2022. Final environmental clearances are anticipated in fall 2022.

For more information on this and other projects, visit Alameda CTC's [Projects webpage](#).

Planning and Program Updates

Golden Sneaker Contest



Oliveira Elementary School in Fremont takes part in this year's Golden Sneaker contest.

Over 75 schools participated in the Alameda County Safe Routes to Schools' annual [Golden Sneaker Contest](#) held in March 2022. That's a 20 percent increase in registration from last year, with nine schools joining for the first time.

School communities were encouraged to get active and walk, roll, bike, carpool or take transit to school and chart their progress for two weeks. This year, multiple classrooms had over 90 percent of their students using active travel modes to get to school for the contest.

Congratulations to all of this year's Golden Sneaker winners! One classroom in each participating school with the highest percentage of students actively commuting to school received a Golden Sneaker trophy. One Platinum award-winning school will be announced and awarded a plaque during an Alameda County Transportation Commission meeting this spring!

Bike Month

May 2022 kicks off National Bike Month. This year Alameda County Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) is hosting the second annual Bike to the Moon Week from May 9-13. Students, families and school staff across the County will track their miles/minutes of physical activity—including, but not limited to riding a bike—

in an effort to collectively "ride" 286,900 miles all the way to the moon.



Bike to the Moon Week is one of many events around the Bay Area during National Bike Month and coincides with Bike to Work Day, also traditionally held in May.



Policy News

Legislative update

On April 21, 2022, Alameda CTC staff visited State legislators and their staffs in Sacramento to share updates on the agency's transportation projects and funding priorities. Alameda CTC's goal is to ensure that Alameda County continues to be a national leader with regard to innovative transportation solutions and sustainability policy.

Meetings included:

- Senator Lena Gonzalez (SD 33), Chair - Senate Transportation Committee
- Senator Steve Glazer (SD 7)
- Senator Bob Wieckowski (SD 10)
- Assemblymember Laura Friedman (AD 43), Chair – Assembly Transportation Committee
- Assemblymember Mia Bonta (AD 18)
- Assemblymember Rebecca Bauer-Kahan (AD 16)
- Assemblymember Alex Lee (AD 25)
- Assemblymember Bill Quirk (AD 20)
- Assemblymember Buffy Wicks (AD 15)
- Undersecretary Elissa Konove, California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)

Federal legislative visits are scheduled for May 2022.

The 2022 legislative session is the second year of a two-year session. Alameda CTC staff continue to review and monitor bills and recommend positions to the Commission on bills related to the agency's adopted 2022 Legislative Program.



Programming Updates

2022 CIP updates

This month, Alameda CTC's 2022 Comprehensive Investment Plan (CIP) is being updated to incorporate new programming recommendations and programming actions previously approved by the Commission that have occurred since the last July 2022 CIP approval.

The CIP was developed to strategically program available funds towards transportation investments that support the vision and goals of the Alameda CTC's Countywide Transportation Plan, multimodal plans and voter-approved transportation expenditure plans. New programming is to go toward named capital projects in the 2014 Measure BB Transportation Expenditure Plan, including [East Bay Greenway](#), [San Pablo Multimodal Corridor Project](#) and [Oakland Alameda Access Project](#).

The 2022 CIP Update now includes \$219 million in programming over fiscal year 2021-22 through 2025-26, with \$198 million in allocations during the first two years.

Development of the 2024 CIP by Alameda CTC staff will begin over the summer, in coordination with the region's One Bay Area Grant Program Cycle 3 (OBAG 3). A combined call for project nominations is scheduled for release in May 2022.

Measure BB: City of Pleasanton Interstate 580 (I-580) Stoneridge Interchange

Measure BB continues to support transportation improvements in Alameda County. Funded in part with \$5.2 million in Measure BB funds, the City of Pleasanton is initiating a contract award for the construction of the I-580/Stoneridge Interchange Improvement Project in spring 2022. This project will make modifications to the Stoneridge Drive Interchange to allow four westbound through lanes. This project will also modify the northbound Interstate 680 on-ramp and include improvements to Stoneridge Drive and safety improvements for the pedestrian and bicycle crossing. This project is expected to go into construction in summer 2022 and is anticipated to be completed in 2023.

Finance Updates

Budget development

In March, the Commission approved several finance items. Some of the more prominent items include: the investment and financial reports for the quarter ended December 31, 2021, a mid-year update to the FY 2021-22 budget, and a declaration of intent to reimburse Measure BB expenditures from proceeds of a bond sale. The Commission also received an update on the selection process to bring on a financing team for the debt issuance. Alameda CTC staff continues to work with the bond financing team to establish bond documents for the upcoming Measure BB bond issuance scheduled to go to the Commission for approval in May.

In addition, finance staff coordinated with all departments to develop the FY 2022-23 budgets for Alameda CTC and the Sunol Joint Powers Authority. The FY 2022-23 budget is scheduled to go to the Commission for approval in May.

Contracting Opportunities

Alameda CTC anticipates upcoming solicitation of bids and/or proposals for the following:

Professional Services contracts

- I-680 Express Lanes Toll System Integration
- East Bay Greenway (Lake Merritt BART to South Hayward BART)
- Municipal Advisory and Support Services

Construction contracts

- 7th Street Grade Separation East

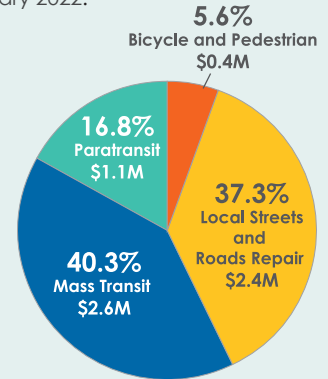
For more information, visit Alameda CTC's [Contracting Opportunities webpage](#).



Transportation Investments

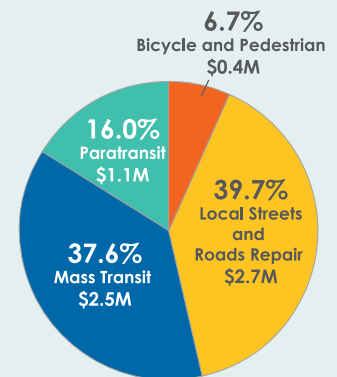
Measure BB Program Distributions

Measure BB direct local distributions began in April 2015 and total over \$539.4 million; over \$6.5 million was distributed in January 2022.



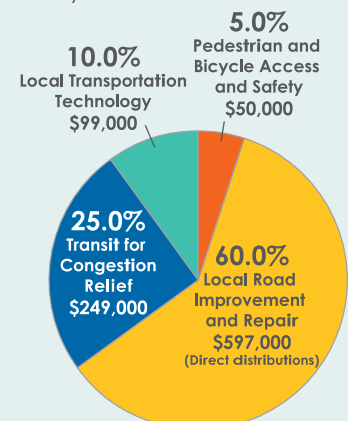
Measure B Program Distributions

Measure B direct local distributions have totaled more than \$1.3 billion since 2002. In January 2022, over \$6.7 million was distributed for four programs.



Vehicle Registration Fee

Since 2011, Alameda CTC has distributed more than \$77.4 million for local road repair; over \$995,000 was collected in January 2022.



Agency Activities

In April 2022, the following events were either hosted, sponsored or participated in by Alameda CTC:

- April 21-22 – virtual State legislative visits
- East Bay Greenway, Phase 1 (East 14th Street/Mission Boulevard segment) popups. See the [project Facebook page](#) for additional outreach information.
 - April 6 – Popup at Downtown Farmers Market, San Leandro
 - April 16 – Popup at San Leandro High School, San Leandro
 - April 18 – Focus group for bicyclists, pedestrians and transit users
 - April 21 – Focus group for business owners
- Bike Mobile events
 - April 1 – Alvarado Elementary and Itliong-Vera Cruz Middle, Union City; Tennyson High, Hayward
 - April 2 – Farmers' Market, Hayward
 - April 5 – The Academy of Alameda Elementary, Alameda
 - April 6 – Joseph Azeveda Elementary, Fremont
 - April 12 – Greenleaf Elementary, Oakland
 - April 13 – Longfellow Arts and Technology Middle, Berkeley
 - April 14 – Fairlands Elementary, Pleasanton
 - April 15 – Crocker Highlands Elementary, Oakland
 - April 16 – Sequoia Elementary, Oakland
 - April 21 – Lincoln Middle, Alameda; Tom Kitayama Elementary, Union City
 - April 22 – Lincoln Middle, Alameda; LIFE Academy, Oakland; Guy Emanuele, Jr. Elementary, Union City
 - April 24 – Montclair Elementary, Oakland
 - April 26 – E. M. Grimmer Elementary, Fremont; East Avenue Middle, Livermore
 - April 29 – Guy Emanuele, Jr. Elementary, Union City
 - April 30 – Castro Valley Library, Castro Valley

Other News

On March 30th, Alameda CTC held its hybrid in person/virtual 2022 Commission Retreat to discuss agency efforts to advance safety, equity and climate. The day began with Chair Bauters unveiling his 2022 priorities to:

- **Expand multimodal infrastructure** that prioritizes the safety of all users and advances Vision Zero policies and strategies
- **Invest in active transportation**, with a focus on eliminating the high injury network across the County and reducing speeds to protect communities
- **Improve multimodal transportation** options for historically underserved communities to increase access to goods, services, jobs, and education and result in a more equitable transportation system
- **Advance implementation of zero emission technologies** to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and protect our climate
- **Provide support for integrating transportation and land use planning and investments** to encourage sustainable development and support communities

After introductory remarks by Chair Bauters, Vice Chair Ortiz and Executive Director Tess Lengyel, guest speakers began presenting:

Setting the Stage: State and Regional Perspectives

- Tony Dang, Deputy Director of Sustainability, California Department of Transportation
- Therese Watkins McMillan, Executive Director, Metropolitan Transportation Commission/Association of Bay Area Governments

Equity and Safety in Alameda County

- Charles T. Brown provided a keynote address on equity, safety and public health and engaged in a discussion with the Commission.
- Alameda CTC staff introduced the internal Culture and Engagement Committee, presenting research on advancing equity through all elements of the Commission's work.

Clean and Green Future

- Suzanne Smith, Executive Director, Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) and the Regional Climate Protection Authority (RPCA)
- Jessie Denver, Senior Distributed Energy Resources Manager, East Bay Community Energy
- Salvador Llamas, Chief Operating Officer, AC Transit

Also, during the retreat, Chair Bauters initiated Alameda CTC's newest ad-hoc committee—the Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (JEDI) Committee. The JEDI Committee is tasked to ensure all Commission initiatives are developed through the lens of justice, equity, diversity and inclusion. Its committee members include Chair John J. Bauters (Emeryville Mayor); Vice Chair Elsa Ortiz (AC Transit Board President); Commissioner Rigel Robinson (Berkeley Councilmember); Commissioner Sheng Thao (Oakland Councilmember) and; Commissioner Richard Valle (Alameda County Supervisor, District 2)

Committee Activities

April advisory committee activities

In April, the following committees met. Highlights for these [meetings](#) include:

- April 7 – The [Alameda County Technical Advisory Committee \(ACTAC\)](#) received updates on the 2021 Multimodal Performance Report, One Bay Area Grant Cycle 3, the 2024 Comprehensive Investment Plan, the Metropolitan Transportation Commissions' 2023 Transportation Improvement Program Development Update and the Countywide Bikeways Network.
- April 28 – The [Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee \(BPAC\)](#) received an update on the San Pablo Avenue Multimodal Corridor project and the City of Dublin's Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan. The committee also received information on Countywide and Regional Active Transportation Planning and Complete Streets. The committee also reviewed their member roster and received member reports.