

# Memorandum

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SUBJECT:	Paratransit Direct Local Distribution (DLD) Projections for FY 2023-24

#### Summary

On January 23, 2023, ParaTAC members will receive the draft Paratransit Direct Local Distribution (DLD) projections for FY 2023-24.

## Background

#### **Planning Areas**

The Alameda CTC divides the County into four planning areas:

- North County the cities of Albany, Alameda, Berkeley,
- Emeryville, Oakland, and Piedmont
- Central County the cities of Hayward and San Leandro and unincorporated areas
- South County the cities of Fremont, Union City, and Newark, as well as Union City Transit
- East County the cities of Livermore, Dublin, Pleasanton, and unincorporated areas, and LAVTA

Measure BB paratransit DLD funding is split by planning area as directed in the sales tax expenditure plans and within each planning area to each city by a formula adopted by PAPCO. The details for how funding is distributed is described below.

# Measure BB Planning Area Funding Distribution

ParaTAC members should note that the 2000 Measure B funding will sunset in spring 2022 and the 2014 Measure BB funding will double from 0.5% to 1% beginning April 1, 2022. Measure BB will be expanded to bring in 1% of transportation sales tax funding following the process described below. Per Alameda CTC's 2014 TEP, 10% of Measure BB funds are allocated to affordable transit for seniors and people with disabilities, as follows:

- 6% allocated to East Bay Paratransit Consortium
- 3% allocated to cities and local transit operators
- 1% allocated for service gaps and coordination

The 2014 TEP also specifies that the 3% allocated to cities and local transit operators will be distributed to each of the four planning areas based on the percentage of the population over age 70.

## Measure BB Planning Area Funding Distribution

Measure BB specifies that PAPCO develops, and the Alameda CTC Commission adopts, a funding formula to allocate funding within each planning area to the individual agency recipients. Funds from a planning area may not be transferred to another area.

In establishing the funding formula, PAPCO and ParaTAC took three areas into account that impact a community's need for accessible transportation: age, disability, and income. The formula includes the following factors to measure these areas of concern: population over 70, population with a disability, and low-income population. The source for all data is the American Community Survey (ACS) which was deemed to be most accurate. In acknowledgement that many older seniors do not identify themselves as disabled, and therefore may not be captured by ACS data, PAPCO adopted a formula that weights seniors over the age of 80 more heavily (multiplied by 1.5).

In January 2017, PAPCO took action to extend the funding formula for the same length of time as the Master Program Funding Agreements, through 2027, with annual updates of ACS data. The table below shows the factors included in the current funding formula for Measure BB funds.

Factor	Description	Data Source
Age	Population estimates of seniors age 70-79	2020 American Community Survey (ACS)
Disability	Population estimates of seniors age 80+ multiplied by 1.5 to approximate the population of people with disabilities who may not identify as disabled	2020 ACS
Disability	Population estimates of people with a disability	2020 ACS
Income	Estimates of low-income households earning 30% of the Area Median Income, currently <\$20,000 per year	2020 ACS

## FY 2023-24 Projections

The draft paratransit DLD projections for all recipients for FY 2023-24 is available for reviewing in Attachment A. These projections are based on the current formula and the current Alameda CTC funding projection. ParaTAC members should note that during FY 2021-22, the 2000 Measure B funding sunset at the end of March 2022 and the 2014 Measure BB funding will double beginning April 1, 2022.

Committee members should also note that the funding projection is a draft and could change when updated projections are made available for FY 2023-24. Updated projections can be found on the Alameda CTC website: <u>https://www.alamedactc.org/funding/directlocal-prog-dist-pay/.</u> These projections should be used by ParaTAC in preparing the FY 2023-24 Program Plans, which will be due in late February.

Fiscal Impact: There is no net fiscal impact.

# Attachments

A. FY 2023-24 Paratransit Direct Local Distribution (DLD) Projections