



ALAMEDA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

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# Delivering on Our Promises

With the passage of Measure BB in 2014, Alameda County residents entrusted this agency to responsibly manage their tax dollars to provide transportation projects and programs that expand access and improve mobility. Alameda CTC activities support local communities while advancing equity, safety, clean transportation and the economy. Through the agency motto of "Plan. Fund. Deliver.", our work is an important part of fostering an even more vibrant and livable Alameda County.

Sincerely, Carolyn

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## **Project Updates**

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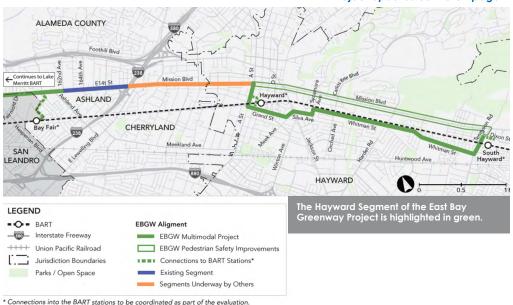
The East Bay Greenway Multimodal (EBGWMM) Hayward Segment is the southernmost part of the 16-mile EBGWMM project. The Hayward Segment will implement a bicycle and pedestrian improvement project within Hayward to enhance safety, connectivity, and accessibility. The project will add safe, high-quality bike facilities for people of all ages and abilities, creating a seamless north-south route between the Hayward and South Hayward BART stations.

In December 2023, the the Commission approved an initial alignment for the project and directed staff to form an Active Transportation Working Group (ATWG). Since then, the project team has worked with the City of Hayward to

form and collaborate with this group, which includes members from bicycle advocacy organizations, people with disabilities, school and park districts, business community groups, parents, and local residents. Together, they conducted public outreach and developed a draft concept alignment with facility types for each street in the project area. The draft concepts were presented to the City of Hayward's City Infrastructure and Airport Committee (CIAC) at its October 2024 meeting.

Between March and October of 2024, the team shared project information by mailing over 4,500 mailers to the residents within the project corridor. They also conducted an online survey, met with community-based organizations, held walking and biking audits of the study corridor, and conducted focus group

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meetings/work sessions. The team will continue to engage the City, ATWG, and the public to refine project concepts for implementation.

More information about this and other Alameda CTC projects can be found on the agency's <u>Projects webpage</u>.

## **Programming Updates**

## Fiscal Year 2025-26 Transportation Funds for Clean Air Expenditure Plan

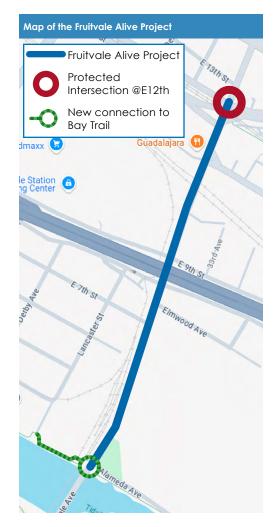
Alameda CTC is responsible for managing the county's share of the Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) program, representing 40% of the TFCA revenue generated by a vehicle registration fee for Alameda County registrants.

This February, the Commission will receive an update on the FY 2025-26 TFCA Expenditure Plan Application which identifies approximately \$4.1 million of funding available for programming. The 2026 Comprehensive Investment Plan (CIP) is currently under development, and the fund estimate includes the estimated FY 2025-26 TFCA revenues. The TFCA program of projects will be considered as a part of the overall 2026 CIP recommendation in spring 2025.

# Measure BB funding supports Oakland work to address Fruitvale bikeway network gap

Fruitvale Avenue between East 12th Street and Alameda Avenue is a key gap in Oakland's bikeway network. The corridor features railroad crossings, an I-880 underpass, and wide lanes that encourage high vehicle speeds, all of which pose serious safety hazards to bicyclists. To address these issues and link residents and commuters to the Fruitvale BART Station and nearby services, the City of Oakland has developed the Fruitvale Alive Project. The effort will use Alameda CTC funding to install a raised cycle track, widen sidewalks, improve pedestrian crossings, and other additional safety improvements.

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Alameda CTC provided \$1.6 million of 2014 Measure BB funding as part of the \$9.7 million effort. The project is currently in construction and is estimated to be completed by mid-2026.

## **Policy News**

In January, the Governor released his budget proposal for the 2025-2026 fiscal year, proposing a balanced budget of \$322.2 billion and no deficit. Regarding funding for transportation, it maintains the previous \$15.4 billion in transportation funding allocations for priorities that include active transportation, transit, and High Speed Rail.

The 2025 legislative session is also underway in Sacramento, with deadlines throughout January and February related to the legislative schedule. February 21st is the last day for new bills to be introduced in their house of origin. Staff will be analyzing legislation over the next few months and bring bill recommendations to the Commission as details become clearer this spring. A potential regional measure for transit funding in the Bay Area is once again anticipated to be a major focus in 2025. Staff is actively involved in these conversations and will provide updates to the Commission as details develop.

## Finance Updates

This month, the finance team focused on developing a mid-year budget update. To inform the mid-year budget update, the team collaborated with agency departments as they analyzed and finalized changes to budget needs for the current fiscal year since the budget's adoption in May, 2024. The mid-year budget update will go to the Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) and Commission for approval in March.

The finance team also began developing the fiscal year 2025-26 budget. Alameda CTC's budget continues to

prioritize allocating resources based on Commission priorities to support essential transportation projects and programs across Alameda County.

The finance team also began producing the FY2024-25 second quarter financial report. It includes agency revenues and expenditures through December 31, 2024 compared to year-to-date budget amounts. The financial report will be presented to the FAC and the Commission for approval in March 2025.

#### **Contracting Opportunities**

Alameda CTC anticipates upcoming solicitations for the following professional services and construction contracts:

 Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) for Rail Safety Enhancement Program -Phase A (Professional Services and Construction)

For more information, visit the Contracting Opportunities webpage.

## **Committee Activities**

No advisory committees met in February. The Independent Watchdog Committee and Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee are scheduled to meet in March.

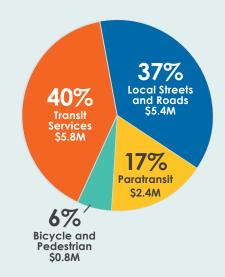
Visit Alameda CTC's Meetings webpage for details on upcoming meetings.

#### **Transportation Investments**

Alameda CTC supports the future of Alameda County by equitably investing in projects and programs throughout the county to improve transportation.

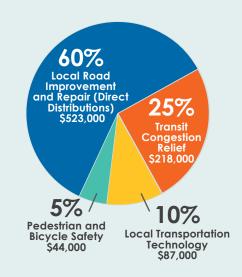
#### **Measure BB Program Distributions**

Measure BB direct local distributions began in April 2015 and total almost \$1.05 billion; over \$14.4 million was distributed in November 2024.



#### Vehicle Registration Fee

Since 2011, Alameda CTC has distributed more than \$95.9 million for local road repair; almost \$1.0 million was collected in November 2024.



#### **Agency Activities**

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

- Feb 3 Oakland Alameda Access Project Monthly Stakeholder meeting
- Feb 5 American Council of Engineering Companies of California 2025 Engineering Excellence Award Ceremony Merit Award Winner for I-80/ Gilman Interchange Overcrossing Bridge
- Feb 13 MTC-CTA OBAG4 Development Working Group
- Feb 19 Feb 2025 California Freight Advisory Committee (CFAC) Meeting
- Feb 24 Alameda CTC Commissioner Retreat
- Feb 27 MTC Regional Transit Priority Policy Working Group
- Feb 27 MTC Next Gen Freeways Advisory Group Meeting
- Feb 28 Bay Area County Transportation Agencies Executive Round Table

#### **Bike Mobile Outreach Events:**

- Feb 4 BikeMobile, Arroyo High, San Lorenzo
- Feb 5 BikeMobile, Faith Ringgold School of Arts and Science, Hayward
- Feb 6 BikeMobile, Encinal Junior & Senior High School, Alameda
- Feb 7 BikeMobile, Berkeley High, Berkeley
- Feb 9 BikeMobile, Cox Academy, Oakland
- Feb 10 BikeMobile, Stanton Elementary, Castro Valley
- Feb 12 BikeMobile, Garfield Elementary (Oakland), Oakland
- Feb 14 BikeMobile, Centerville Middle, Fremont
- Feb 18 BikeMobile, Andrew N. Christensen Middle, Livermore
- Feb 19 BikeMobile, Burckhalter Elementary, Oakland
- Feb 20 BikeMobile, Patterson Elementary, Fremont
- Feb 21 BikeMobile, Steven Millard Elementary, Fremont
- Feb 22 BikeMobile, Berkeley Public Library - South Branch, Berkeley
- Feb 25 BikeMobile, "Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary", Oakland
- Feb 26 BikeMobile, Cesar Chavez Middle (Hayward), Hayward
- Feb 27 BikeMobile, E. M. Grimmer Elementary, Fremont
- Feb 28 BikeMobile, Joseph Azevada Elementary, FremontMiddle, Emeryville

### Other News

Community event outreach brings information and engagement opportunities to Alameda County residents

For Alameda CTC, equitable engagement means bringing information and participation opportunities to where people are. Community celebrations and events provide one important opportunity to do this by connecting in person with people who may not get their news and information through mainstream media and other sources.

Communities that may experience systemic barriers to accessing resources and information can include low-income families, older adults, immigrants, non-English speakers, and communities of color. Participation in community events means Alameda CTC can expand its reach and eliminate some of the barriers that can prevent people from enjoying equitable access to transportation programs and services.

Alameda CTC kicked off 2025 outreach this year by participating for the first time in the Oakland Chinatown Chamber of Commerce Lunar New Year Bazaar. The event provided a chance to share information about upcoming activities for the Oakland Alameda Access Project, which will start construction later this year in Chinatown. Programs and services such as Alameda CTC's Paratransit program and the Guaranteed Ride Home were also highlighted. Representatives also promoted opportunities to participate in the 2026 Countywide Transportation Plan update.

To eliminate language barriers, a Cantonese speaker was among the outreach team and agency representatives brought red envelopes which have special significance for Lunar New Year. In one day, agency representatives connected with 460 individuals who visited the agency's outreach table.

