

Metropolitan Transportation Commission

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Many Agencies in One

- MTC Created by the Legislature in 1970. Planner, coordinator, manager and banker. Distributes over \$1billion per year in local, state and federal funds to transportation projects and services.
- BAHFA Created by the Legislature in 2019 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing, the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority is authorized to work in consultation with the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to place new revenue options on the ballot.
- BATA Created by the Legislature in 1998, the Bay Area Toll Authority is responsible for building, managing and financing the seven state-owned toll bridges.
- SAFE Created by the Legislature in 1988, the Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways oversees the region's Freeway Service Patrol and the network of call boxes. Partners with Caltrans and CHP on Freeway Incident Management.

Partner Transportation Agencies

- Federal Transit Administration/Federal Highway Administration
- Caltrans and CHP
- 101 cities and nine counties
- County Transportation Agencies (CTAs)
- Sales tax authorities administer the voter-approved sales tax transportation programs; often the same as the county CTA
- Transit agencies

Partner Regional Agencies

- San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission
- Bay Area Air Quality Management District
- ABAG Formed in 1961, the Association of Bay Area Governments is the regional planning agency and council of governments for the nine counties and 101 cities and towns of the San Francisco Bay Region. MTC staff serve as staff through a contract for services.







Commissioners

- 16 represent Bay Area cities and counties
 (two each from Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco, San Mateo and Santa Clara counties; one each from Marin, Napa, Solano and Sonoma counties; the Mayor of Oakland or his/her city council appointee; the Mayor of San Jose or his/her city council appointee)
- 2 represent the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC)
- 3 non-voting members represent CalSTA, HUD and the US DOT
- MTC Chair Alfredo Pedroza, Napa County
- MTC Vice Chair, Nick Josefowitz, SF Mayor's Appointee

ABAG/MTC Memorandum of Understanding related to Governance

Commencement of Information Gathering and Staff Support for Discussion on Governance

Deadline to Initiate
Discussions on
Governance

No later than July 1, 2018, ABAG and MTC will direct and jointly fund the consolidated staff to begin collecting information on the governance structures of regional planning agencies with a focus on those with both land use and transportation planning powers and responsibilities, including transportation funding and investment.

No later than July 1, 2019, ABAG and MTC will begin discussions on whether the two agencies should restructure their governing boards to better serve the region and to better utilize the consolidated staff. These discussions may be conducted directly through the Executive Board of ABAG and the Commission of MTC, or their respective designated policymakers or designated policy bodies. Both parties retain the sole individual discretion to decide whether or not to merge the two governing boards.



Plan Bay Area 2050: **Resilient, Equitable Strategies**

• Vision: Ensure by the year 2050 that the Bay Area is affordable, connected, diverse, healthy and vibrant for all.



- Transportation Strategies
- Housing Geographies & Strategies
- Economic Geographies & Strategies
- Environmental Strategies

Final Blueprint: 11 Themes and 35 Bold Strategies



Maintain and
Optimize the
Existing System





Create Healthy and Safe Streets



Build a Next-Generation Transit Network



Protect and Preserve Affordable Housing



Spur Housing Production at All Income Levels



Create Inclusive Communities



Improve Economic Mobility



Shift the Location of Jobs



Reduce Risks from Hazards



Expand Access to Parks and Open Space



Reduce Climate **Emissions**

DRAFT BLUEPRINT

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initial strategies





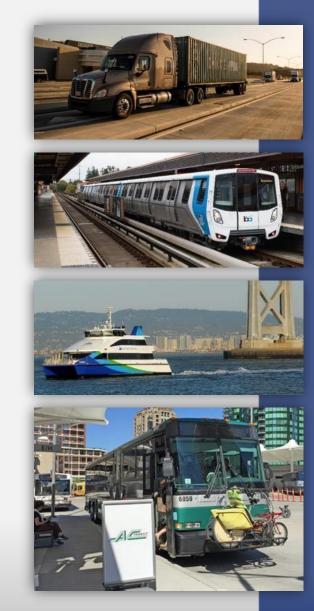
FINAL BLUEPRINT

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new & expanded strategies

Regional Measure 3

- \$4.45 billion package of congestion relief projects
- A \$1 increase in tolls on seven state-owned toll bridges beginning Jan. 1, 2019, to be followed by a \$1 increase Jan. 2022 and another \$1 increase Jan. 2025
- Major projects include:
 - Expanding BA's railcar f leet
 - Extending BA 's Silicon Valley service to downtown San Jose and Santa Clara
 - Extending Caltrain to downtown San Francisco
 - Expanding transbay bus services and AC ransit's bus rapid transit lines
 - \$50 million for planning and preliminary engineering of a second rail tube connecting the East Bay and San Francisco
 - Funding \$150 million grant program to improve bicycle & pedestrian access to regional transit hubs and close gaps in the SF Bay Trail



Operations

Plan, design, deliver and operate strategies to improve mobility, safety and sustainability.



Traveler Information



Freeway Aid



Express



Toll & Fare Collection

Strategic Initiatives:

- Bay Bridge Forward, Dumbarton & Richmond Forward
- Managed Lanes
 Implementation Plan
- Automated/Connected Vehicles
- Technology Asset Optimization
- Incident Management
- Emergency Response Coordination



Ridesharing

MTC Programs Keep Bay Area on the Move

FasTrak[®]

- Regional toll collection program for all Bay Area toll bridges and express lanes
- Over 2 million active FasTrak accounts
- Collects average of \$50 million in tolls each month (pre-COVID)
- Introduced FasTrak Flex tags in 2016 for new Express Lanes



511 Traveler Information Service

- The Bay Area's one-stop source for current conditions and multimodal traveler options: call 511 or visit 511.org
- Over 75 million calls and 285 million web user sessions since
 2002
- 511's Next Gen system launched in June 2016, show casing a user-friendly 511.org accessible on all devices





Clipper®

- Clipper® is the all-in-one regional transit payment card.
- Launched in 2010, Clipper serves 20 transit operators that collectively carry more than 90 percent of the region's transit riders AC Transit, BART, Caltrain, City Coach, County Connection, FAST, Golden Gate Transit & Ferry, Marin Transit, Muni, Petaluma Transit, SamTrans, San Francisco Bay Ferry, Santa Rosa CityBus, SMART, SolTrans, Sonoma County Transit, Tri Delta Transit, VINE, VTA, WestCAT and Wheels
 - —Currently responsible for collecting more than 60 percent of fares for BART, Caltrain, Golden Gate Ferry and San Francisco Bay Ferry
- Collects more than 800,000 weekday transit fares on average*.

23 million*

Average number of monthly Clipper transactions



\$55 million*

Average monthly fare revenue

Next Generation Clipper Features and Schedule



MORE PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Mobile Phones
- Contactless Cards
- Open Payment Potential

Faster Load Times

Mobile App

New Devices: Design/Test



TRANSITION TO NEW FLEXIBLE SYSTEM

- Faster loading
- Immediate card replacement
- Management of your family's cards in a single account



INTEGRATION WITH...

- Transit Parking
- Paratransit Service

Install

Account-Based: Design/Test

Install/Transition

2023

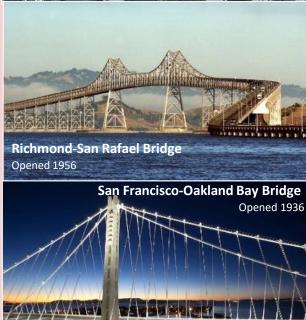
2019 2020 2021 2022

BATA's Seven-Bridge System















Total TrafficJuly 2019 – June 2020:

124 million vehicles

Toll Revenue
July 2019 – June 2020:
\$668 million*

(excludes RM 3 revenue)

2020-21
Operations &
Maintenance
Budget:

\$88 million (includes Caltrans and FasTrak O&M)



New East Span

Opened September 2013

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Regional Deployment of All-Electronic Tolling

- 70% Electronic Transactions (2020)
- Open Road Tolling Design
- Benefits
 - Safety
 - Reduce Delay & Emissions
- Challenges
 - Customer Service Center Growth
 - Minimize Revenue Loss



Express Lanes

I-80 (Fairfield-Vacaville)
Open 2021*

*pending funding for construction



I-680 (Benicia Bridge-Walnut Creek SB)

open 2021

I-680 (Walnut Creek-San Ramon) Open 2017

I-880 (San Leandro-Milpitas)
Open October 2020





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Berkeley

San Francisco Oakland

4 Antioch

Brentwood

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Concord

128

BAHFA – Bay Area Housing Finance Authority

Expanded Regional Housing Portfolio

- 1. Plan for and Secure New Funding
- 2. Complement and Fortify 3Ps
 Capacity in Local Governments:
 amplify impact of local housing staff by
 building robust network for crossjurisdictional collaboration and
 dissemination of best practices.
- 3. Launch Regional Pilot Programs: invest in catalytic housing and homelessness pilots/ build capacity of Bay Area Metro staff to deliver game-changing protection, preservation and production programs once significant new resources are secured.



MOMENTUM FOR LASTING SOLUTIONS

Launching the Bay Area Housing Finance Authority and the Expanded Regional Housing Portfolio

BLUE RIBBON TRANSIT RECOVERY TASK FORCE



- Appointed by Commission in May 2020 to guide the Bay Area's transit system recovery in response to the COVID-19 pandemic
- 32 members composed of representatives from the State, MTC Commission, transit operators, and stakeholder groups
- Purpose:
 - 1) Guide the expedited distribution of CARES Act Phase 2 funds with considerations for safety, network connectivity, financial sustainability, and transportation system equity
 - 2) Formulated the Bay Area Public Transit Transformation Action Plan with Accelerated Actions:
 - Fare Coordination and Integration
 - Mapping and Wayfinding
 - Transit Priority
 - Future discussion on Network Management

Santa Clara County Demographics

• **Population:** Largest county in the Bay Area; 7th largest in the state.

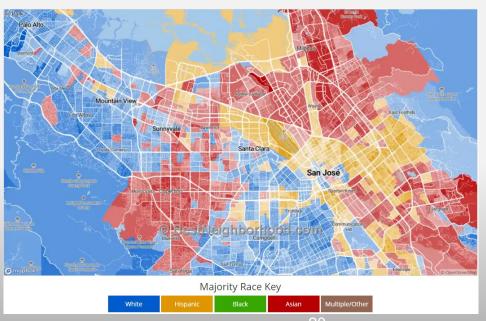
• Diversity – Communities of Color: 54%



Older Adult &People with Disabilities: 16%:

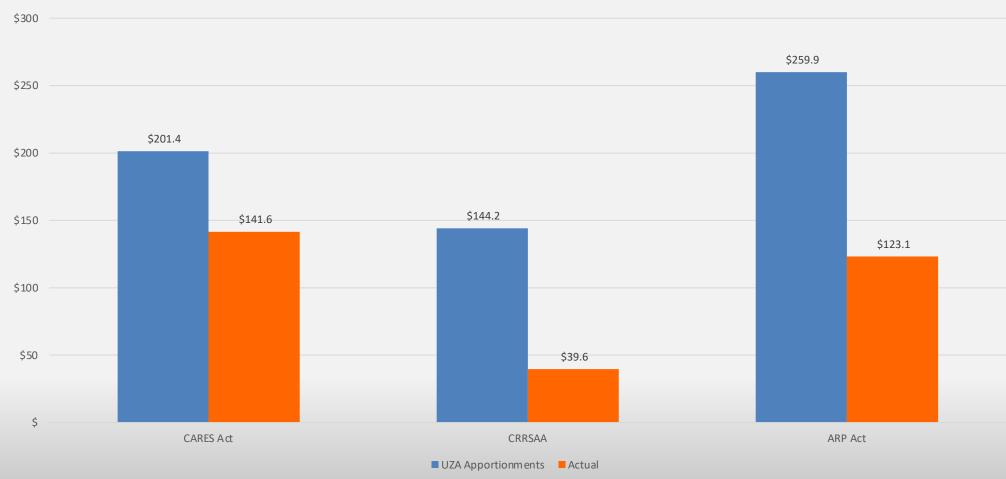
• **Poverty rate:** 7.92%.





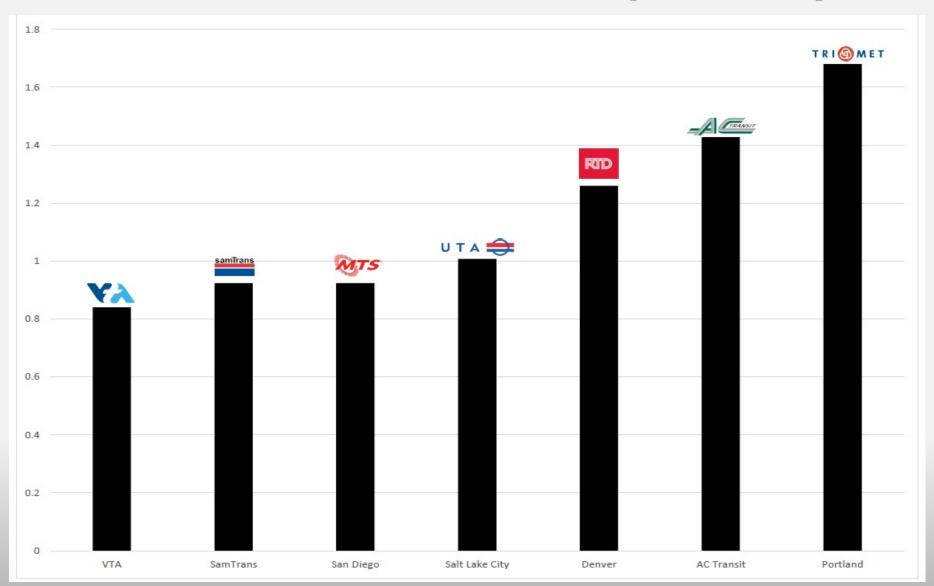
FTA Relief Funding Apportionments vs. Distribution to VTA

(Dollars In Millions)





Service Hours per Capita (VTA Peers)



Cost of Adjusting Service Levels

10 min. Frequent Network



\$74M-\$81M

10 min. Frequent Network Plus



\$133M-\$147M

Key Information Resources

- MTC's Web Site <u>www.mtc.ca.gov</u>
- Plan Bay Area
 www.planbayarea.org
- Headlines
 MTC's
 transportation news
 subscription
 <u>www.mtc.ca.gov/news/headlines.htm</u>
- MTC-ABAG Library
 415.778.5236

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- MTC's E-newsletters
- You can also find MTC (mtcbata) on social media

