



Ventura County Transportation Commission

Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)

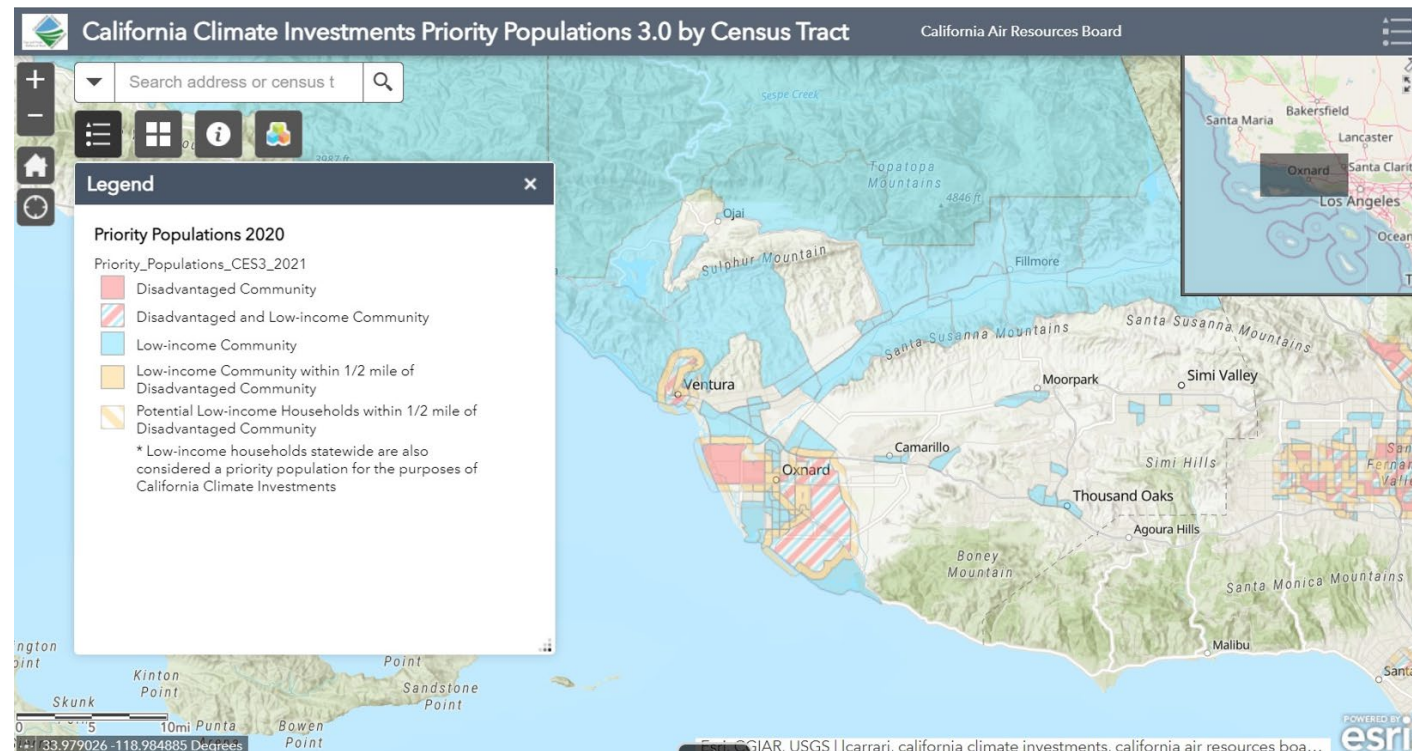
FY 2021-2022 Allocation



Low Carbon Transit Operations Program

The **Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)** is a cap-and-trade program established in 2014 by the California Legislature that provides funds to public transportation agencies for investments in capital projects and service that **reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and improve mobility.**

50% of the total moneys received shall be expended on projects that will benefit **Disadvantaged Communities (DACs)**





LCTOP FY 2021-2022 Allocations

Due to the volatility of auction proceeds, LCTOP funding is unpredictable. This year's apportionment is more than double last year's allocation, totaling more than **\$2 million to Ventura County.**

The State Controller's Office (SCO) allocates 50% of funds to regional entities (e.g., VCTC) based on county population and 50% of funds to transit agencies based on revenue service.

VENTURA COUNTY LCTOP FY 2021/2022	Allocation
Ventura County Transportation Commission (99313)	\$ 2,034,136
VCTC corresponding to SCRRRA (Metrolink Service)	\$ 214,227
City of Camarillo	\$ 12,673
Gold Coast Transit	\$ 72,092
City of Moorpark	\$ 5,062
City of Simi Valley	\$ 19,698
City of Thousand Oaks	\$ 7,150
Total Allocation	\$ 2,365,038
TOTAL Allocation Request (excluding SCRRRA and GCTD)	\$ 2,078,719



VCTC Current LCTOP-funded Regional Projects

Over the years, VCTC has sponsored several regional projects, including Intercity demonstration routes, the College Ride Program and Metrolink Saturday Service.

The intent of the LCTOP program is to **introduce new services or programs** that achieve LCTOP goals. Once projects are established and proven viable, it is expected that LCTOP funding will be replaced with other funding sources. Therefore, there is a 5-year maximum to requesting additional funds for any one project.

Passage of SB 942 could potentially extend funding of free or reduced fare programs beyond the 5 years.



In 2021 for the first time in Metrolink history, Metrolink launched Saturday service on the Ventura County Line which gave Southern Californians the chance to explore by railway on the weekends. This year, effective on April 4, 2022, our riders can travel even further along the Ventura County Line on Sundays, using our new [Codeshare Program](#) with Amtrak Pacific Surfliner.



Recommended Regional Projects

Youth Ride Free Pilot Program

Provides free fares for all youth aged 18 and younger (and enrolled high school students that may be older) on countywide fixed route and general dial-a-ride services.

Based on LCTOP funding of just over \$1M, projected levels of ridership, and reimbursement rates (similar to College Ride), the pilot program is anticipated to last two years with a start date of August 2022.

The cities of Camarillo, Moorpark, Simi Valley and Thousand Oaks will contribute local LCTOP shares to the project as well as transit services participating in the program.

Anticipated benefits align with LCTOP goals including **increased public transit use, reduced auto trips/VMT, lower emissions, and economic benefits to low-income households.**



Recommended Regional Projects

Metrolink Weekend Service on the Ventura County Line

Currently one Saturday AM Metrolink train from East Ventura station to Los Angeles Union Station with stops at stations in between and a return PM trip.

New service adds an AM trip from LA to Ventura with a return PM trip. The new service would also be offered on both Saturday and Sunday and extend trips to the Ventura Station at the Fairgrounds.

Metrolink Regional System Map illustrates potential connections to a wider network of transit services in the region.





Thank you!

Questions?