



VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Transit Operators Advisory Committee (TRANSCOM)
VCTC Large Conference Room
751 East Daily Drive, Suite 420
Wednesday, October 8, 2025
1:30 p.m.

AGENDA

(Action may be taken on any item listed on the agenda)

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

ITEM 2 INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ITEM 3 PUBLIC COMMENT

Under the Brown Act, the committee should not act on or discuss matters raised during the Public Comment portion of the agenda which are not listed on the agenda. Committee members may refer such matters to staff for facts or to be placed on the subsequent agenda for consideration.

ITEM 4 AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

ITEM 5 MEETING MINUTES

Recommended Action:

- Receive and file

Responsible Staff: Cecilia Perez, Administrative Assistant

ITEM 6 APPROVE FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

Recommended Action:

- Approve the Program of Projects (POP) for federal transit operating, planning and capital assistance for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025/26 (Attachment A)

Responsible Staff: Heather Miller, Program Manager

ITEM 7 CLEARGUIDE ROUTE ANALYSIS DEMONSTRATION

Recommended Action:

- Receive presentation

Responsible Staff: Andrew Kent, Program Manager

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ITEM 8 SYNCROMATICS CONTRACT UPDATE**Recommended Action:**

- Receive and file

Responsible Staff: Matt Miller, Program Manager**ITEM 9 TRANSIT TRANSFORMATION TASK FORCE UPDATE****Recommended Action:**

- Receive and file

Responsible Staff: Claire Grasty, Director of Public Transit**ITEM 10 ADA CERTIFICATION SERVICES PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE****Recommended Action:**

- Receive and file.

Responsible Staff: Dolores Lopez, Transit Planner**ITEM 11 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Short Range Transit Plan
- Paratransit Integration Analysis

Responsible Staff: Claire Grasty, Director of Public Transit**ITEM 12 ADJOURN TO WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2025, AT 1:30 P.M. in the VCTC Large Conference Room at 751 East Daily Drive #420 in Camarillo.**



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MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lydia Salas, Chair, City of Camarillo
Austin Novstrup, Gold Coast Transit District (GCTD)
Michelle Woomer, City of Moorpark
Ben Gonzales, City of Simi Valley
Tyler Nestved, City of Thousand Oaks
Alex Puga, City of Ventura
Matt Miller, VCTC Intercity
Brenda Craig, Mobility Management Partners

MEMBERS ABSENT: City of Fillmore
City of Ojai
City of Oxnard
City of Port Hueneme
City of Santa Paula
County of Ventura

EX OFFICIO ABSENT: Holly Galbreath, VC Air Pollution Control Dist.
CSU Channel Islands

VCTC STAFF PRESENT: Claire Grasty, Director of Public Transit
Dolores Lopez, Transit Planner
Erin Kenneally, Transit Planner
Hayden Balsys, VCTC Intern

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Lydia Salas called the meeting to order at 1:30pm

2. INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lydia Salas announced they just completed their first year of TDA claim.

Matt Miller announced that five out of the six agencies that have Demand Response services are now using RideCo. The City of Camarillo just started to accept credit card payments through the app and hope to get other agencies on board. The Commission

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authorized a contract with Kuba for the open-loop project and approved an amendment for all agencies.

Tyler Nestved notified that they have exhausted federal funds for senior nutrition lunch program and as of October 1st no longer offering free Dial-a-Ride trips for senior nutrition.

Dolores Lopez announced that the Commission approved the TDA performance audit RFP to be released on Friday and RideShare week is October 6-10. Whoever pledges to ride during that time period will be eligible to win a gift card.

Claire Grasty introduced Hayden Balsys as the new VCTC Transit intern.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

4. AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS - None

5. MEETING MINUTES - The committee received the July meeting minutes.

6. METROLINK SYSTEM-WIDE STATION SURVEY

Collin Mullaney with Metrolink Planning and Development provided a PowerPoint presentation of the Station Survey Update which provided background, goals, key findings and recommendations. A formal recommendation letter to the station owners will be forthcoming.

7. 2025-2034 SHORT RANGE TRANSIT PLAN – REGIONAL ACTIONS

Jeremiah LaRose from Fehr & Peers provided a presentation on the SRTP–Regional Actions. Agencies were also sent the report of recommendations for review and comments. There were questions and discussion about the fare structure. Claire stated that we would like as much feedback as possible. Jeremiah stated that the final Gaps and Opportunities report with comments will be available by end of October.

8. VENTURA COUNTY RAIL UPDATES

Claire Grasty reported that the Santa Barbara service has had several delays and are hoping to start that service at the beginning of next year. Claire also gave an update on Simi Valley double track, Leesdale and Camarillo station undercrossing projects.

9. LA28/OLYMPICS UPDATE

Claire Grasty asked if anyone had been contacted by Metro requesting information on vehicles that are being retired for possible use for Olympics and World Cup. She will send out a spreadsheet requesting information on retiring vehicles, available staff, and if any agencies are planning to increase service levels during Olympics.

10. ADA CERTIFICATION SERVICES PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE

Dolores Lopez provided an update on the eligibility report for ADA certifications. Starting September 15th all profiles will be on the portal.

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- SRTP
- Paratransit Integration Analysis
- POP

12. MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 2:58 P.M.

Next meeting is Wednesday, October 8, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in the VCTC Large Conference Room at 751 East Daily Drive #420 in Camarillo.



Item #6

October 8, 2025

MEMO TO: TRANSIT OPERATORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FROM: HEATHER MILLER, PROGRAM MANAGER
SUBJECT: APPROVE FISCAL YEAR 2025/26 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Program of Projects (POP) for federal transit operating, planning and capital assistance for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025/26 (Attachment A.)

BACKGROUND:

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires that the public be provided an opportunity to review transit projects proposed to be funded with federal dollars. Therefore, VCTC, as the designated recipient of federal transit funds, each year, holds a public hearing and adopts a Program of Projects (POP) which lists projects to be funded with federal funds in each of the four urban areas in Ventura County. VCTC prepares the POP using separate programs for the Oxnard/Ventura, Thousand Oaks/Moorpark, Simi Valley, and Camarillo urbanized areas, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau.

In order to prepare the POP, VCTC staff provided Ventura County transit operators with tables showing the calculation of estimated FY 2026 revenues and expenses for the four urbanized areas. The calculations continue to use the 2020 Census Data and the most recently approved NTD data. Under VCTC's adopted policy, the estimated amount to be generated under the FTA formula by each transit operator's service provides the target amount for that operator's program. For agencies providing local bus service, the programming target includes the amount generated under the formula for the jurisdiction's population after subtracting out a share of costs for VCTC Countywide Planning activities. The transit operators were then to provide proposed programs based on the amounts of funds shown in the tables as being available for each operator.

The 2025/26 POP (Attachment A) identifies the programs provided by the transit operators and their associated costs including both the federal share and local contribution. Additionally, the POP includes transit related Congested Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) projects anticipated to be obligated in FY 2025/26. Also included is the second-year programming of Section 5310 Senior/Disabled and Section 5307/JARC funded projects selected in the 2024 call-for-projects.

The POP is based on estimates for FY 2025/26 federal transit funding. Should the adopted FY 2025/26 federal transportation budget be lower than these estimates, it will be necessary to make changes to the Program of Projects.

With TRANSCOM approval, VCTC Staff will present the 2025/26 POP to the VCTC for a Public Hearing and approval at the November 7, 2025 meeting.

ATTACHMENT A

Program of Projects

The Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) will hold a public hearing on the Program of Projects (POP) for the Oxnard, Thousand Oaks, Camarillo and Simi Valley Urbanized Areas (UAs) for projects to be funded with Federal Transit Administration funds in the 2025/26 Fiscal Year (FY 2026). The funds available in FY 2026 are estimated to be \$456,000 in Section 5310 funds and \$22,496,000 in other funds for the Oxnard UA, \$282,000 in Section 5310 funds and \$12,380,000 in other funds for the Thousand Oaks UA, \$2,696,000 for the Camarillo UA, and \$3,820,000 for the Simi Valley UA, based on anticipated FY 2026 funds, prior year carry-over funds, and federal discretionary funds. The public hearing will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 7, 2025 at the Camarillo City Council Chamber, 601 Carmen Drive, in Camarillo. The POP is available for public inspection at 751 E. Daily Drive, Suite 420, Camarillo CA 93010, and online at <https://www.goventura.org/work-with-vctc/grant-opportunities/>. Unless a subsequent list is published, this list will become the final Program of Projects for inclusion in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program.

FY 2025/26 Federal Transit Program of Projects

OXNARD/VENTURA URBANIZED AREA

	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share & Other
Gold Coast Transit			
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Operating Assistance (FY 26/27)	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,000
Late Night Safe Rides (5307 JARC)	\$ 716,318	\$ 358,159	\$ 358,159
GCTD On Demand Paratransit Service to Camarillo	\$ 180,250	\$ 90,125	\$ 90,125
Total Operating	<u>\$ 2,716,318</u>	<u>\$ 1,358,159</u>	<u>\$ 1,358,159</u>
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
Preventive Maintenance (FY 26/27)	\$ 3,318,854	\$ 2,655,083	\$ 663,771
Operations and Maintenance Facility	\$ 919,443	\$ 735,554	\$ 183,889
Debt Service			
Operations and Maintenance Facility	\$ 823,558	\$ 658,846	\$ 164,712
Debt Service (5339)			
ADA Paratransit Service (FY 26/27)	\$ 1,577,420	\$ 1,261,936	\$ 315,484
Total Capital	<u>\$ 6,639,274</u>	<u>\$ 5,311,419</u>	<u>\$ 1,327,855</u>
Total Gold Coast	<u>\$ 9,355,592</u>	<u>\$ 6,669,578</u>	<u>\$ 2,686,014</u>
Ventura County Transportation Commission			
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
VCTC Intercity Operating Assistance (FY 26/27)	\$ 3,155,802	\$ 1,577,901	\$ 1,577,901
Total Operating	<u>\$ 3,155,802</u>	<u>\$ 1,577,901</u>	<u>\$ 1,577,901</u>
<u>Planning Assistance</u>			
VCTC Bus Service Planning (FY 25/26)	\$ 600,000	\$ 480,000	\$ 120,000
Regional Transit Information Center (FY 25/26)	\$ 95,055	\$ 76,044	\$ 19,011
Countywide Transit Outreach (FY 26/27)	\$ 636,000	\$ 636,000	\$ -
(CMAQ Funds)			
Total Planning	<u>\$ 1,331,055</u>	<u>\$ 1,192,044</u>	<u>\$ 139,011</u>
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
Fare/APC/AVL Equipment	\$ 1,037,500	\$ 830,000	\$ 207,500
VCTC Intercity Rehab / Facility Lease (5339)	\$ 200,042	\$ 200,042	\$ -
Metrolink Preventive Maintenance (FY 26/27)	\$ 2,908,346	\$ 2,908,346	\$ -
Metrolink Capital Rehab (FY 26/27) (5337)	\$ 8,169,202	\$ 8,169,202	\$ -
Total Capital	<u>\$12,315,090</u>	<u>\$ 12,107,590</u>	<u>\$ 207,500</u>
Total VCTC	<u>\$16,801,947</u>	<u>\$ 14,877,535</u>	<u>\$ 1,924,412</u>
Valley Express			
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Operating Assistance (FY 26/27)	\$ 1,137,838	\$ 568,919	\$ 568,919
Total Operating	<u>\$ 1,137,838</u>	<u>\$ 568,919</u>	<u>\$ 568,919</u>
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
Preventive Maintenance (FY 26/27)	\$ 474,099	\$ 379,279	\$ 94,820
Total Capital	<u>\$ 474,099</u>	<u>\$ 379,279</u>	<u>\$ 94,820</u>
Total Valley Express	<u>\$ 1,611,937</u>	<u>\$ 948,198</u>	<u>\$ 663,739</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$27,769,476</u>	<u>\$ 22,495,311</u>	<u>\$ 5,274,165</u>

FY 2025/26 Federal Transit Program of Projects

THOUSAND OAKS/MOORPARK URBANIZED AREA

	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share & Other
Ventura County Transportation Commission			
<u>Planning Assistance</u>			
Transit Information Center (FY 25/26)	\$ 409,775	\$ 327,820	\$ 81,955
Fare Collection/APC/AVL Data Management	\$ 662,500	\$ 530,000	\$ 132,500
Total Planning	\$ 1,072,275	\$ 857,820	\$ 214,455
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
VCTC Intercity Preventive Maintenance (FY 26/27)	\$ 592,140	\$ 473,712	\$ 118,428
VCTC Intercity Rehab / Facility Lease (5339)	\$ 86,474	\$ 86,474	\$ -
Metrolink Preventive Maintenance (FY 26/27)	\$ 1,059,188	\$ 1,059,188	\$ -
Metrolink Prev Maintenance (FY 26/27) (5337)	\$ 2,532,466	\$ 2,532,466	\$ -
Metrolink Capital Rehab (FY 26/27) (5337)	\$ 3,161,726	\$ 3,161,726	\$ -
Total Capital	\$ 7,431,994	\$ 7,313,566	\$ 118,428
Total VCTC	\$ 8,504,269	\$ 8,171,386	\$ 332,883
City of Thousand Oaks			
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Operating Assistance	\$ 1,919,186	\$ 959,593	\$ 959,593
Total Operating	\$ 1,919,186	\$ 959,593	\$ 959,593
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
Four Electric Replacement 30-35' Buses (CMAQ)	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 2,655,900	\$ 344,100
EV Charging Infrastructure	\$ 173,414	\$ 138,731	\$ 34,683
EV Charging Infrastructure (5339)	\$ 139,086	\$ 111,269	\$ 27,817
Total Capital	\$ 3,312,500	\$ 2,905,900	\$ 406,600
Total Thousand Oaks	\$ 5,231,686	\$ 3,865,493	\$ 1,366,193
City of Moorpark			
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Operating Assistance	\$ 250,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000
On-Demand Rideshare Program	\$ 150,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000
Total Operating	\$ 400,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
On-Demand Rideshare Program	\$ 93,750	\$ 75,000	\$ 18,750
DAR Capital Contract Cost (5339)	\$ 78,945	\$ 31,578	\$ 47,367
Bus Preventive Maintenance	\$ 45,851	\$ 36,681	\$ 9,170
Total Capital	\$ 218,546	\$ 143,259	\$ 75,287
Total Moorpark	\$ 618,546	\$ 343,259	\$ 275,287
TOTAL	\$ 14,354,501	\$ 12,380,138	\$ 1,974,363

FY 2025/26 Federal Transit Program of Projects

CAMARILLO URBANIZED AREA

	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share & Other
Ventura County Transportation Commission			
<u>Planning Assistance</u>			
Transit Information Center (FY 25/26)	\$ 63,920	\$ 51,136	\$ 12,784
Transit Planning and Programming (FY 25/26)	\$ 314,368	\$ 251,494	\$ 62,874
Total VCTC	\$ 378,288	\$ 302,630	\$ 75,658
City of Camarillo			
<u>Planning Assistance</u>			
Transit Planning	\$ 100,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 20,000
Total Planning	\$ 100,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 20,000
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Operating Assistance (FY 26/27)	\$ 1,709,952	\$ 854,976	\$ 854,976
Metrolink Station Maintenance Operations (FY26/27)	\$ 80,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Total Operating	\$ 1,789,952	\$ 894,976	\$ 894,976
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
Replacement Transit Vehicles - ICE (5339)	\$ 300,000	\$ 240,000	\$ 60,000
ADA Paratransit Service (FY 26/27)	\$ 252,163	\$ 201,730	\$ 50,433
Bus Preventive Maintenance (FY 26/27)	\$ 1,219,901	\$ 975,921	\$ 243,980
Total Capital	\$ 1,772,064	\$ 1,417,651	\$ 354,413
Total Camarillo	\$ 3,662,016	\$ 2,392,627	\$ 1,269,389
TOTAL	\$ 4,040,303	\$ 2,695,257	\$ 1,345,046

SIMI VALLEY URBANIZED AREA

	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share & Other
Ventura County Transportation Commission			
<u>Planning Assistance</u>			
Transit Planning and Programming (FY 25/26)	\$ 679,383	\$ 543,506	\$ 135,877
Total VCTC	\$ 679,383	\$ 543,506	\$ 135,877
City of Simi Valley			
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Operating Assistance	\$ 5,806,340	\$ 2,903,170	\$ 2,903,170
Total Operating	\$ 5,806,340	\$ 2,903,170	\$ 2,903,170
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
Non Fixed-Route ADA Paratransit Capital	\$ 465,768	\$ 372,614	\$ 93,154
Total Capital	\$ 465,768	\$ 372,614	\$ 93,154
Total Simi Valley	\$ 6,272,108	\$ 3,275,784	\$ 2,996,324
TOTAL	\$ 6,951,490	\$ 3,819,290	\$ 3,132,200

FY 2025/26 Federal Transit Program of Projects

FY 25/26 SECTION 5310 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

OXNARD/VENTURA URBANIZED AREA	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share & Other
<u>Planning Assistance</u>			
<u>Program Administration</u>	\$ 46,455	\$ 46,455	\$ -
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Help Of Ojai Operating Assistance	\$ 36,608	\$ 36,608	\$ -
GCTD On-Demand Paratransit Service to Camarillo	\$ 45,700	\$ 22,850	\$ 22,850
Area Agency on Aging MediRide Program	\$ 142,168	\$ 71,084	\$ -
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
GCTD Flexible Services Fleet Vehicle Replacement	\$ 347,693	\$ 278,154	\$ 69,539
TOTAL	\$ 618,624	\$ 455,151	\$ 92,389
THOUSAND OAKS/MOORPARK URBANIZED AREA	Total Cost	Federal Share	Local Share & Other
<u>Planning Assistance</u>			
Program Administration	\$ 28,749	\$ 28,749	\$ -
<u>Operating Assistance</u>			
Caregivers Transportation for Low Income Seniors	\$ 95,000	\$ 95,000	\$ -
Catholic Charities of LA, Inc.- Ventura County Oasis Volunteer Driver Program	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ -
Area Agency on Aging MediRide Program	\$ 15,830	\$ 15,830	\$ -
<u>Capital Assistance</u>			
Interface 211 Ride Program - One-Call One-Click	\$ 122,094	\$ 122,094	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 281,673	\$ 281,673	\$ -



Item #8

October 8, 2025

MEMO TO: TRANSIT OPERATORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FROM: MATT MILLER, PROGRAM MANAGER

SUBJECT: SYNCROMATICS CONTRACT UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION:

- Receive and File

BACKGROUND:

In November 2017, VCTC awarded a six-year contract to GMV Syncromatics for automatic vehicle location (AVL) system, automatic voice annunciators (AVA), real time arrival signage and mobile passenger app for Countywide transit operators. In September 2023, the six-year term was adjusted to reflect the final system acceptance of November 2019 therefore the contract is ending in November 2025. Since deployment of the system, GMV Syncromatics has gone through many changes to its corporate structure resulting in improvements to their capacity to manage projects, technical knowledge and overall stability of the system and backend software.

DISCUSSION:

As stated above, the Syncromatics contract is coming to an end in November 2025 and VCTC is recommending that it be renewed for three years with three option years if we choose to exercise them. The decision to renew the contract with Syncromatics was based on the company's improved performance and the significant cost and effort that would be required in transitioning to a new vendor, if selected.

Since implementing the system, Syncromatics, the company, has grown and improved their processes, products, and project management abilities. The company has become more responsive to our county's needs when providing technicians to serve our fleets, troubleshooting the backend system and providing technical assistance when integrating with other vendors like Umo and open-loop payments. The GTFS and GTFS-RT data that are being produced has been accurate and is currently being used by a host of third-party app developers and payment systems.

VCTC is requesting Syncromatics propose a new contract in line with our current processes and include enhanced active fleet monitoring that could assist agencies discover hardware issues more quickly and written reports detailing work completed after every agency visit by a Syncromatics technician. Other than improving current systems and response by Syncromatics, staff is not requesting any other additional work with the contract in an effort to keep pricing down and as close as possible to our current annual fees.



Item #9

October 8, 2025

MEMO TO: TRANSIT OPERATORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
FROM: CLAIRE GRASTY, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC TRANSIT
SUBJECT: TRANSIT TRANSFORMATION TASK FORCE UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION:

- Receive and File

BACKGROUND:

SB 125 requires CalSTA to establish and convene the Transit Transformation Task Force (TTTF) on or before January 1, 2024, and include representatives from the department, various local agencies, academic institutions, nongovernmental organizations, and other stakeholders. The task force is required to solicit and develop a structured, coordinated process for engagement of all parties to develop policy recommendations to grow transit ridership and improve the transit experience for all users of those services. CalSTA, in consultation with the task force, is required to prepare and submit a report of findings and policy recommendations based on the task force's efforts to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on or before October 31, 2025. The report must include a detailed analysis of specified issues and recommendations on specified topics, including, among others, reforming the Transportation Development Act.

DISCUSSION:

The TTTF has concluded their meetings and met 13 times, as recently as September 30. Strategies and recommendations are included in three tranches of reports. Below are links to the three tranches. Tranches 1 and 2 have previously come before the TTTF and therefore include edits and requests from the task force. Tranche 3 came to the TTTF at the most recent meeting and therefore does not include any edits from the TTTF. Also attached is a memo from SCAG on transit priorities as it relates to the TTTF.

The report will be submitted to the legislature by the end of the month. Agencies that have comments can submit comments to CalSTA or to VCTC who can consolidate comments on behalf of the operators.

https://calsta.ca.gov/-/media/calsta-media/documents/ttff_working_draft_report_tranches_1_2_v0_7_september_30_2025-a11y.pdf

https://calsta.ca.gov/-/media/calsta-media/documents/ttff_working_draft_report-tranche_3-a11y.pdf



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Transit Transformation Task Force Key Priorities

The work of the Transit Transformation Task Force has been both comprehensive and ambitious, reflecting the scale of challenges and opportunities facing California's transit systems. As the Task Force moves toward final recommendations, we believe it is essential to narrow the focus to a core set of high-impact, state actions that can drive meaningful progress. Prioritizing policy reforms and strategic investments that expand frequent, reliable, and accessible transit is critical, not only to grow ridership, but to deliver benefits to communities across the state. These priorities need to align with existing state and regional goals, including those outlined in Regional Transportation Plans, and be supported by stable funding mechanisms. The following priorities represent our recommended focus areas for inclusion in the Task Force's final report.

New Revenue Source to Increase Transit Investment

- Identify and commit to a new, sustainable statewide revenue stream and ensure long-term support for operations and capital investments.
- Through enabling legislation, authorize regional and local agencies to pursue complementary, innovative revenue sources tailored to local needs.

Alternative Path for Innovative Clean Transit (ICT) Compliance

- Adjust ICT regulatory timelines and authorize funding for regional agencies to develop tailored compliance pathways that support fleet transition goals while preserving service levels, particularly for smaller operators and high-ridership corridors.
- Adjusted ICT regulatory timelines could take into account the period when a new state revenue source is being identified and secured.

Consolidated Transit Funding Program

- Develop a unified state transit funding program that streamlines existing funding sources and integrates new funding sources that includes more formulaic funds to local and regional agencies to support operations and to advance rail and transit projects.
- Program could feature two distinct funding streams, formula-based operating support to stabilize core service and promote fare affordability, and capital investments to drive innovation, expand fleets, and maintain state of good repair.

Reduce Administrative Burden for Project Delivery

- Support enduring targeted CEQA exemptions for dedicated bus lanes and transit speed/reliability projects.
- Authorize automated parking enforcement for transit-priority lanes.
- Require Caltrans to streamline encroachment permit processes, including the streamlining of the sale or lease of Caltrans property for transit and housing purposes, especially near

transit centers, and establishing a transit-first delivery protocol for state ROW, including express lanes that facilitate transit travel.

- Provide streamlined permitting for regional mobility hubs that integrate transit, active transportation, shared mobility, and wayfinding.

Support for Service Coordination and Cal-ITP Expansion

- Direct CalSTA and Caltrans to expand support for Cal-ITP to support innovative coordination efforts to improve operations and customer experience (e.g., integrated trip planning, real-time data sharing, mobile ticketing, contactless payment systems, and inter-operator service planning).
- Further, empower regions to better facilitate innovative service coordination efforts.

Next Steps

As the Transit Transformation Task Force concludes and prepares to share final recommendations with the Legislature, the following next steps will be critical to advancing these key priorities:

Needs Assessment and Alignment on New Revenue Source

- Engage a subset of Task Force members to collaboratively develop a comprehensive statewide transit needs assessment. This effort would leverage existing analyses and planning documents, such as Short-Range Transit Plans (SRTPs), Regional Transportation Plans/Sustainable Communities Strategies (RTP/SCS), and other relevant sources. The goal is to produce a defensible, data-driven forecast of annual state transit funding needs to inform the scale and structure of a new statewide revenue source.
- Align on a new statewide revenue source including scale and structure of the program.

Mobilize to Advance Key Reforms

- With the Task Force's priorities defined, members should shift toward coordinated advocacy and advancement of key reforms—particularly around ICT compliance, integration of a new statewide revenue source and funding consolidation, and project delivery streamlining.



Item 10

October 8, 2025

MEMO TO: TRANSIT OPERATORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TRANSCOM)
FROM: DOLORES LOPEZ, REGIONAL TRANSIT PLANNER
SUBJECT: ADA CERTIFICATION SERVICES PROGRAM MONTHLY UPDATE

RECOMMENDATION:

- Receive and file the monthly ADA Certification services report(s) and program update.

DISCUSSION:

Mobility Management Partners (MMP) is VCTC's contracted service provider for ADA Paratransit Eligibility Certification services.

Attached is the September ADA Paratransit Certification Services Reports from MMP for review at this TRANSCOM meeting.

Sep-25							
		Sept	August	Jul	Jun	May	Apr
Call Center	Inbound ADA Calls	393	382	490	475	471	449
	Outbound ADA calls	73	112	61	97	120	205
	Average hold time (in seconds)	0.06	0.02	0.47	0.09	0.07	0.31
	Outbound Area Transmittals	1	1	1	6	11	1
	Inbound Area Transmittals	13	12	15	7	2	13
Riders requesting service outside of Ventura County							
Riders requesting service into Ventura County							
Applications Received	Recertification	51	21	50	60	73	89
	New Applications	67	42	51	50	53	58
Total applications received: 118							
Online Applications Received: 0 (0%)							
Applications Received by Service Area	Camarillo Area	13	5	8	15	9	17
	Gold Coast Area	54	23	47	50	56	57
	Valley Express Area	9	1	6	5	6	6
	Moorpark Area	2	4	3	3	2	8
	Simi Valley Area	20	15	20	18	22	37
	Thousand Oaks	20	15	15	19	29	21
	Out of County	0	0	2	0	2	1
Completed Determinations by Evaluation Type	In-Person Interviews with Physical Assessment	2	2	9	6	7	6
	In-Person Interviews with Cognitive Assessment	1	5	4	4	5	3
	Special Circumstance (no Interview)	35	17	24	6	4	9
	Over 85+ (no interview)	7	5	6	9	6	12
	Interviews:Phone 7, In Person with Interview Only 2	9	22	27	31	31	45
	Short-term Certification (60 days)	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Recertifications	38	20	28	43	56	62
	Completed Determinations	92	71	98	99	109	137
Cost per Determination		\$253.83	\$328.90	\$238.29	\$237.33	\$215.56	\$171.50
Delays in Processing (Cumulative)	Due to Incomplete application by client	3	0	6	4	1	5
	Pending Professional Evaluation (PE)	18	8	15	27	13	17
	Applications that failed to meet 21 day rule	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Applicants awaiting interviews	7	3	8	14	9	9
Assessments	Assessment Catagories	Total					
	Physical Assessment	3					
	Cognitive Assessment	1					
	Interview only with No Assessment (In-person)	2					
	No Shows for Interview (In-Person)	4					
	Total In-Person Interviews that were Cancelled	1					
Determinations by Eligibility						Total	%
Unconditional (including S.C., Over 85+ , Phone interviews)						85	92%
Conditional						5	5%
Temporary						2	2%
Denials						0	0%
Short Term (including Emergency)						0	0%

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Evaluations by Age and Determination Type

In-person Interviews by Eligibility and Assessment Type