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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, D. C. 20515

Anna G. Eshoo Sixteenth District California

April 26, 2024

Ms. Marina Fraser, Chairwoman San Mateo County Transit District 1250 San Carlos Avenue San Carlos, California 94070

Dear Chairwoman Fraser,

As part of this year's appropriations process, Members of Congress may request Community Project Funding to directly fund nonprofit and public sector projects in their Congressional Districts, and I invite you to share with me projects you believe are top priorities.

The Appropriations Committee will only consider requests for certain funding accounts, and I've enclosed a list of those accounts and their eligibility requirements for your reference. The Committee prioritizes requests with substantive community support in the form of letters from local elected officials, local press articles or editorials, local government resolutions, or other indications of local support.

If you have a project that I should consider submitting to the Committee, I need to hear from you no later than Monday, April 29th at 5:00 p.m. PDT so I can thoroughly review the information you share. You can submit information about the project to my office using this online form: https://forms.office.com/g/48f6RLGnZs

I'm only permitted to submit a limited number of requests, and I will seriously consider your recommendation. If you have any questions, you can contact Eric Henshall in my Washington, D.C. office at (202) 225-8104.

Most gratefully,

Anna G. Eshoo Member of Congress

Enclosure

cc: Members, SamTrans Board of Directors
Ms. April Chan, General Manager & CEO

# House Appropriations Committee Fiscal Year 2025 Community Project Funding – Eligible Accounts

# Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies

#### Department of Agriculture-Farm Production and Conservation Programs

Natural Resources Conservation Service (Conservation Operations)

#### Department of Agriculture-Research, Education, and Economics

Agricultural Research Service (Buildings and Facilities)

#### Department of Agriculture-Rural Development

- Rural Housing Service (Community Facilities)
- Rural Utilities Service (ReConnect Program)
- Rural Utilities Service (Distance Learning and Telemedicine Grants)
- Rural Utilities Service (Rural Water and Waste Disposal Grants)

#### Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

#### Department of Commerce

- NIST—Scientific and Technical Research
- NOAA—Coastal Zone Management

#### Department of Justice

- COPS Technology and Equipment
- Byrne Justice

#### National Aeronautics and Space Administration

· Safety, Security, and Mission Services

#### **Energy and Water Development**

#### Army Corps of Engineers (Civil Works)

- Investigations
- Construction
- Mississippi River and Tributaries
- Operation and Maintenance

#### Department of the Interior/Bureau of Reclamation

Water and Related Resources

#### Homeland Security

#### Federal Emergency Management Agency

- Federal Assistance—Emergency Ops. Centers
- Federal Assistance-Pre-Disaster Mitigation

#### Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies

#### **Environmental Protection Agency**

- STAG—Clean Water State Revolving Fund
- STAG-Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

#### Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies

Army

Army National Guard

Army Reserve

Navy & Marine Corps

Navy Reserve

Air Force and Space Force

Air National Guard

Air Force Reserve

DoD, Defense-Wide

#### Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

#### Department of Housing and Urban Development

• CDBG – Economic Development Initiatives

#### Department of Transportation

- Airport Improvement Program
- Highway Infrastructure Projects
- Transit Infrastructure Projects
- Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements
- Port Infrastructure Development Program

From: Adina Levin

To: <u>Board (@samtrans.com)</u>

**Subject:** SamTrans riders using other agencies **Date:** Sunday, April 28, 2024 7:11:31 PM

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Dear SamTrans board members and staff,

This note is replying to discussion of regional transit coordination at the SamTrans last board meeting. As you know well, SamTrans actively participates in regional network management, with GM April Chan serving as Vice Chair.

At the last meeting, staff and some board members noted that coordination among agencies may be of lower value to SamTrans riders, since data shows that the large majority of SamTrans riders currently use only SamTrans.

However, new data from the Clipper Bay Pass pilot shows that among residents of affordable housing communities in San Mateo County participating in the pilot, approximately 29% of the trips taken by these riders have been on agencies other than SamTrans.

This data comes from three MidPen communities in Redwood City and San Mateo. The data was drawn by MTC staff from these pilot communities because they previously had used a single-agency SamTrans pass, so the study shows an apples to apples comparison.

This data from bus riders in San Mateo County is consistent with data from other counties in the pilot. The first phase of the Clipper Bay Pass pilot was rolled out in the Summer 2022, for students in public colleges and universities, and residents of affordable housing communities. The pilot showed that transit use increased by 40% among student participants, and interagency transfers increased by 74% (Source: MTC)

The pilot data shows that there is demand by local bus users for affordable access to other transit services. When local bus users have affordable, convenient access, they use a variety of agencies and make use of greater mobility.

This outcome is consistent with data from SamTrans rider surveys and focus groups conducted for the Reimagine service redesign, showing that riders want better connections.

There will be more data about SamTrans' riders use of other agencies in the Fall, with the rollout of a pilot of free and reduced price transfers, which will make transferring more affordable and convenient for more people (not only those participating in the limited BayPass pilot).

I would urge SamTrans staff and board to review the data from these pilots and keep an open mind as to learnings from these pilots about the needs of SamTrans riders.

And also, I would urge SamTrans to continue to work with other agencies and MTC to use data from the pilots to craft programs that can continue beyond the pilot period, that improve mobility and convenience for riders and are financially and operationally viable for transit agencies.

This blog post has references to the data cited in this email. <a href="https://www.greencaltrain.com/2024/04/new-data-shows-that-local-bus-riders-use-other-agencies-when-convenient-and-affordable/">https://www.greencaltrain.com/2024/04/new-data-shows-that-local-bus-riders-use-other-agencies-when-convenient-and-affordable/</a>

Thank you for your consideration,

- Adina Adina Levin Friends of Caltrain / <a href="https://greencaltrain.com">https://greencaltrain.com</a> Seamless Bay Area / <a href="https://seamlessbayarea.org">https://seamlessbayarea.org</a> 650-646-4344



### SamTrans Board of Directors Meeting of May 1, 2024

"The Bay Area Deserves better transit-- support SB 1031, the Connect Bay Area Act." – same email from following people as of 4-30-24,.7:50 am

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**Date:** Tuesday, April 30, 2024 1:32:29 PM

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Bay Area voters must be given the opportunity to vote for additional funding for transit agencies to provide the high quality transit services our communities deserve. The State and Federal governments also need to step up and provide funding for transit service, but we can't wait for help from above.

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The bill can and should be strengthened—for example, highway expansion is unnecessary, and it should prioritize progressive revenue sources. Please work with the bill authors, transit agencies and community stakeholders to make this essential bill the best it can be for our communities, climate, and economy.

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Sincerely,

Marko Zivanovic monsieur.marko@gmail.com 1187 Regent Street Alameda, California 94501 From: Mahdi Rahimi
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Mahdi Rahimi m.s.rahimi@gmail.com 521 ELLSWORTH ST SAN FRANCISCO, California 94110 From: <u>Evan Tschuy</u>

To: Board (@samtrans.com)

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Evan Tschuy evantschuy@gmail.com 3410 California St Berkeley, California 94703 From: Phillip Raffle

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Sincerely,

annamritvik@gmail.com 30 Oakwood St. Apt 1 San Francisco , California 94110 From: <u>Luke Bornheimer</u>
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Luke Bornheimer lukebornheimer@gmail.com 1959 15th Street San Francisco, California 94114 From: William Cline

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Sincerely, William Cline

William Cline wwcline@icloud.com 1222 Clayton St Apt 23 San Francisco, California 94114-1852 From: <u>Hesham Assabahi</u>
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Hesham Assabahi heshamwolf20@yahoo.com 330 Sanchez st San Francisco, California 94114 From: <u>David Mendelsohn</u>
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David Mendelsohn dwmendelsohn@gmail.com 2732 MLK Jr Way Apt 5 Berkeley, California 94703 From: <u>Corey Busay</u>

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Corey Busay busayc@gmail.com 1201 Hopkins St Berkeley, California 94702 From: Kevin Pham

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Sincerely, Kevin

Kevin Pham phamkevin241@gmail.com 1212 Whipple Ave Apt 315 Redwood City, California 94062 From: <u>Justin Skoda</u>

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Justin Skoda

Justin Skoda justin.skoda@gmail.com 1515 Leimert Blvd Oakland, California 94602 From: <u>Eileen Conner</u>
To: <u>Board (@samtrans.com)</u>

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Eileen Conner eileenconner@gmail.com 355 Velarde St Mountain View, California 94041 From: <u>Tawny Reynolds</u>
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Tawny Reynolds tawnyann@gmail.com 1421 Hearst Ave Berkeley, California 94702 From: <u>Lian Chang</u>

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Lian Chang lian.c.chang@gmail.com 230 2nd Ave , Unit 3 San Francisco, California 94118 From: <u>Julia Diaz</u>

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Julia Diaz jmdiaz2016@g.ucla.edu 3841 24th st San Francisco, California 94114 From: <u>Jusef White</u>

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Utkarsh Nath utkarsh.nath@yahoo.com 34462 Alberta Terrace Fremont, California 94555 From: AJ Cho

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AJ Cho amenoartemis@gmail.com 159 Santa Teresa San Leandro, California 94579-1963 From: Justin Truong
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Prodan Statev pstatev94@gmail.com 100 Tilton Ave San Mateo, California 94401 From: Alvaro Ramos
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Alvaro Ramos ramosalvaro131313@gmail.com 873 Fulton Ave San Leandro, California 94577 From: <u>Michael Innes</u>

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Sincerely, Michael Innes Foster City

Michael Innes master.forcide@gmail.com 1328 Tarpon St Foster City, California 94404 From: <u>Jean Tepperman</u>
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Jean Tepperman jeantepper@gmail.com 1701 Channing Way Berkeley, California 94703-1701 From: Martin Horwitz
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Martin Horwitz martin7ahorwitz@yahoo.com 1326 23rd Ave San Francisco, California 94122 From: charlotte laughon

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charlotte laughon liblaugh@gmail.com p.o. box 370687 montara, California 94037 From: <u>Caroline Ayres</u>
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Caroline Ayres carolineayres6@gmail.com 3739 26th St San Francisco, California 94110-4308 From: Meg Kammerud
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But efforts to strengthen the bill should not threaten its viability. Without this bill, no Bay Area

transit agency will be able to offer the coordinated service our communities need. Also, without this bill, many transit agencies will be forced to slash service: stranding riders, clogging our roads, fouling our air, and stalling our economy.

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Sincerely,

Meg Kammerud mpirnie@stanfordalumni.org 810 Congo Street San Francisco, California 94131 From: <u>Josh Gunter</u>

To: Board (@samtrans.com)

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Sincerely, Joshua Gunter

Josh Gunter jmgunter@gmail.com 1738 17th Street Oakland, California 94607 From: Kenneth Russell
To: Board (@samtrans.com)

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Kenneth Russell krlist+yimby@gmail.com 8400 Oceanview Ter Apt 414 San Francisco, California 94132 From: Saroyan Humphrey
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Saroyan Humphrey saroyan62@hotmail.com 619 Webster St California, California 94117 From: Katie Behroozi
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Katie

Katie Behroozi kbehroozi@gmail.com 407 Bay Rd Menlo Park, California 94025 From: Elliot Schwartz
To: Board (@samtrans.com)

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