



SamTrans Board of Directors

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Subject

1. Save the Clipper BayPass, don't eliminate funding!

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Hi there,

My name is Anthony Bu. I am a incoming college student and will be attending SFSU in the fall. SFSU offers the Gator Pass, which is a nickname for the BayPass, which gives access to free public transit on many agencies within the Bay Area. I do not want to see SamTrans eliminating funding for the transit coordination initiatives, you will lose a lot of ridership if you want to get kicked out of the BayPass. According to results, the BayPass increased ridership in many agencies, especially students who commute to school.

Also on schedule coordination is very important for making transfer easy to connect. Transit agencies working together leads to passengers getting to places as quickly as possible. Examples include the Bart and Caltrain transfer at Millbrae, of the many bus to rail transfers at major Transit centers such as SJ Diridon, Palo Alto, or RWC.

Also, please keep free transfers within 2 hours, I do not want to pay again when I transfer to another bus.

Eliminating funding, and stopping the transit coordination initiatives would lead to more conflict between Transit agencies, the BayPass is a way to get Bay Area Transit agencies to work together and make Transit more easier and accessible to everyone. No more Bay Pass, and no more free transfers, means bring down ridership, and I think you guys don't want to see that.

Anthony Bu