

# State Transit Assistance (STA) County Block Grant Overview

- In 2018, MTC established the STA County Block Grant program to be administered by CTAs.
- Previously, MTC distributed funding via:
  - 1. North Bay small transit operators
  - 2. Regional Paratransit
  - 3. Regional Lifeline Transportation Program
  - 4. MTC regional coordination programs
- STA County Block Grant Program allows counties to determine how to invest in paratransit services and lifeline transportation needs





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Beginning in Fiscal Year 2018-19, C/CAG has continued with the historical distribution:

- 37% to Samtrans Paratransit Program
- 63% to Lifeline Transportation Program

Estimated \$3.7 million in STA funding is available for the C/CAG Lifeline Transportation Program Cycle 7 beginning Fiscal Year 2024-25.





## **Lifeline Transportation Program**

- Program aims to serve Equity Priority
   Communities in San Mateo County
- Public agencies and non-profits require a passthrough funding agreement with a transit agency

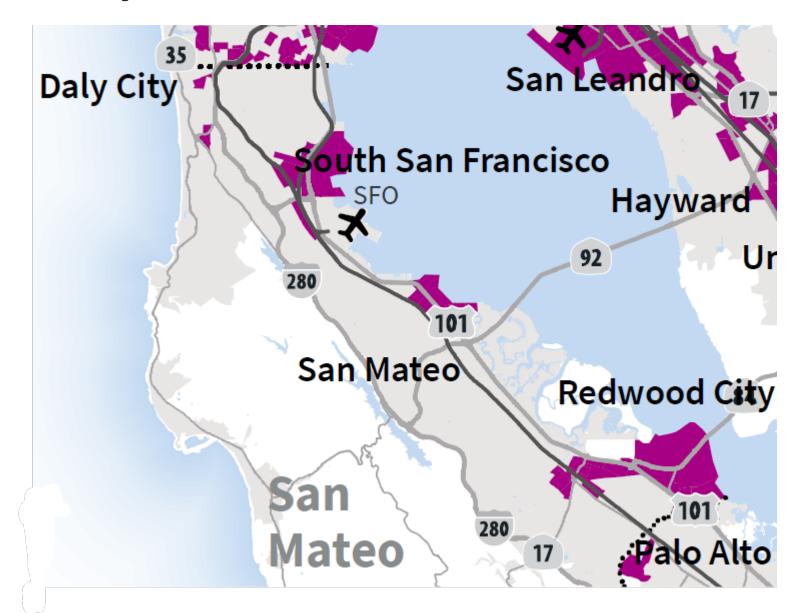
#### Project examples include:

- Transit and Active Transportation Capital Projects
- Transit Operations Projects





## **Equity Priority Communities**





#### **Prioritization**

Once projects are screened for eligibility:

- Priority given to projects that directly address transportation gaps and/or barriers identified through a Community-Based Transportation Plan (CBTP) or other substantive local planning effort involving focused engagement in disadvantaged communities
- Cost-effective
- Ready to be implemented





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### **Evaluation Panel**

- MTC Staff
- C/CAG Staff
- Caltrans Staff
- CBO Stakeholders
- County Stakeholders
- TAC Member



## **Draft Schedule**

Event	Date
TAC Review of Call for Projects and Schedule	November 19, 2023
CMEQ Committee Review of Call for Projects and Schedule	November 27, 2023
C/CAG Board Approval of Call for Projects and Schedule	December 14, 2023
Call for Projects Issued	December 18, 2023
Applicant Workshop	Week of January 8, 2024
Applicant Office Hours	Week of January 22, 2024
Public Workshop	Weeks of January 8th and 15th, 2024
Applications Due	February 16, 2024
Selection Panel Reviews Applications	Late February 2024
C/CAG Committees Consider Recommendation	April 2024
C/CAG Board Considers Recommendations	May 2024

