

SMCTA 2025 Measure A & W Calls for Projects Look Ahead

The San Mateo County Transportation Authority (TA) wishes you a happy New Year as we look toward an exciting 2025 that includes the Peninsula Shuttle Program, Regional Transit Connections Program, Transportation Demand Management Program, and Highway Program Calls for Projects (CFPs). We look forward to funding more projects in 2025 that help improve mobility across San Mateo County, no matter how they choose to move.

This look ahead is intended to help prepare our local partners and eligible sponsors to begin planning and budgeting for these upcoming opportunities. Key details for each CFP are listed below. We also encourage you to check our CFP webpage for updates throughout the year as deadlines and funding is subject to change. Please feel free to contact Patrick Gilster, the TA's Director of Planning and Funding Management at <u>gilsterp@samtrans.com</u> with any questions.

https://www.smcta.com/whats-happening/call-projects

2024 CFP RECAP

In Summer 2024, the TA released a joint CFP for the Cycle 7 Pedestrian & Bicycle (Ped/Bike) and Cycle 2 Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program, making available \$19 million for the Ped/Bike Program and \$6 million for the TDM Program. This first-of-its-kind CFP was issued for two TA funding programs, rather than the typical single program, to reduce local jurisdiction staff time preparing for numerous calls for projects and administrative time for the TA. The final Cycle 7 Ped/Bike Program included providing funding for all 24 projects totaling \$24.6 million in awards while the final Cycle 2 TDM Program provided \$2.2 million to fully fund all nine project awards.

To read more about each program and review the full list of awards, check out the <u>Ped/Bike</u> <u>Program</u> or <u>TDM Program</u> funding pages.



Winter 2025 – Peninsula Shuttle Program (Joint CFP with C/CAG)

The next <u>Peninsula Shuttle Program</u> joint CFP between the TA and City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG) Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027 will kick off at the start of 2025. The funding for this CFP is intended to start new local transportation services, augment existing services, or continue shuttle service previously funded by the Program. Shuttles funded through this program must be open to the general public, and conform to all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. Eligible applicants, including local jurisdictions and/or public agencies within San Mateo County, can apply for funding to establish local shuttle services designed to assist resident and employee travel within the County and/or to connect with regional transportation service (e.g., major SamTrans routes, Caltrain, BART, ferries).

Key Dates

- CFP Release: January 15, 2025
- Applications Due: February 28, 2025
- Expected Awards: May 1, 2025

Available Funding

- TA Measure A Shuttle Program \$16 million
- C/CAG Congestion Relief Program \$1 million

Spring 2025 – Regional Transit Connections Program

The first <u>Regional Transit Connections (RTC) Program</u> CFP will build on the newly on adopted Regional Transit Connections Plan that was adopted in Fall 2024. The purpose of this program is to fund transit improvements that connect San Mateo County with Alameda County, San Francisco County, and Santa Clara County. This program is targeted toward eligible transit agencies such as AC Transit, BART, Caltrain, SamTrans, SFMTA, VTA, and WETA. Three funding program sub-categories for transit capital, transit operations, and first/last-mile. The TA intends to meet individually with eligible sponsors in Winter 2025 to help each agency prepare for the first CFP. Since the RTC Program CFP is expected to be conducted every four years, multiple phases of work may be requested. Additionally, a mini-application will be available as part of the CFP to allow each agency to request seed funding for a First/last-mile plan as identified in the RTC Plan which will not require a match.

Key Dates

- CFP Release: April 3, 2025
- Applications Due: June 27, 2025
- Expected Awards: September 4, 2025

Available Funding

- Measure W Regional Transit Connections Program \$70 million
 - Capital (60%) \$42 million
 - Operations (25%) \$17.5 million
 - First/last-mile (15%) \$10.5 million



Summer 2025 – Transportation Demand Management Program

In 2024 the TA conducted a joint CFP with both the Cycle 7 Ped/Bike and Cycle 2 TDM funding programs. However, the TDM Program was significantly undersubscribed and the TA Board requested a mid-cycle CFP be conducted. In Spring 2025, TA staff will host individual education and informational discussions with local agencies and eligible sponsors to help identify more eligible projects. As part of the Strategic Plan 2025-2029 adoption, the maximum project request for the TDM category was proposed to be raised from \$200,000 to \$500,000. The TA intends to conduct a CFP for just the competitive funding sub-category and will rollover funding for the Intelligent Transportation Systems and Planning sub-categories to another joint Ped/Bike and TDM CFP in 2026.

Key Dates

- CFP Release: June 5, 2025
- Applications Due: August 1, 2025
- Expected Awards: November 6, 2025

Available Funding

• Measure A & W TDM Competitive Funds - \$5 million

Summer 2025 – Highway Program

The 2025 Highway Program CFP will include upward of \$175 million in combined funding from Measure A and W. The focus of the program is to reduce traffic congestion and improve throughput and safety on the most critical commute corridors in San Mateo County. With the passage of Measure W, the TA is able to fund more multimodal projects on the highway system with the goal of improving conditions for all transportation system users. Prior to the release of the CFP in Winter 2025, the TA will update the list of Measure A Supplemental Roadways eligible projects and conduct a streamlined update to the Highway Capital Improvement Program in collaboration with local agencies to incorporate more eligible multimodal arterial roadway projects that access the highway system. This action was directed in the newly adopted of the Strategic Plan 2025-2029 to help jumpstart more projects that can get on the ground quicker to improve safety and mobility for all users.

Key Dates

- CFP Release: June 5, 2025
- Applications Due: August 29, 2025
- Expected Awards: December 4, 2025

Available Funding

• Measure A & W Highway Program Funds - \$175 million

*Note the funding availability and planned dates are subject to change based on Measure A & W funding availability or TA staffing.