

REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSIT PROGRAM - 24%

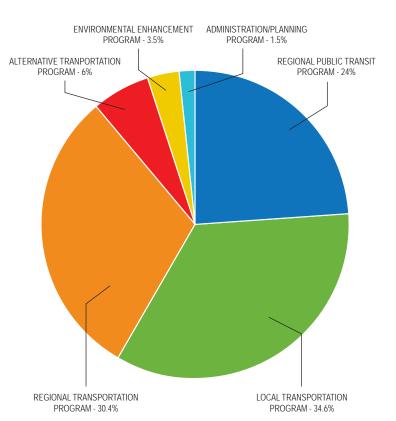
Expanding mass transit programs in order to get people out of their cars and improve air quality.

- LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM 34.6%

  Maintaining and improving local streets and roads by paving streets and sidewalks and repairing potholes.
- REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM 30.4%

  Improving freeway interchanges, adding additional lanes, increasing safety, and improving major commute corridors.
- ALTERNATIVE TRANPORTATION PROGRAM 6% Consolidating County rail lines.
- ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM 3.5%

  Improving air quality and the environment through the School Bus Replacement Program and the Transit Oriented Infrastructure for In-Fill Development Program.
- ADMINISTRATION/PLANNING PROGRAM 1.5% Administering the programs provided to the Transportation Authority and Fresno COG.

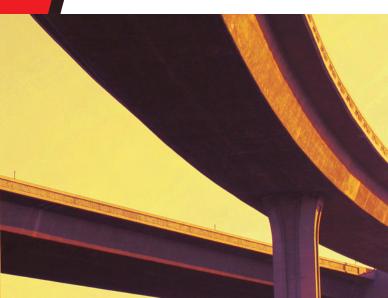


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# BUILDING THE FUTURE OF FRESNO COUNTY







## AT A GLANCE

In 1986, Fresno County voters passed a half-cent sales tax increase in order to improve the roads and transportation in the county. In the twenty years that followed, Measure C was the primary catalyst for across-the-board improvements and a complete overhaul of Fresno County's entire transportation network. More than 14,000 new jobs were created, over \$1 billion was pumped into the local economy, and State Routes 41, 168, and 180 all saw extensions and improvements during this period.

Additionally, as a result of each city and the County having control over its own projects, the County and the 15 cities completed numerous local projects that were important to members of that community.

Projects that never even could have been taken on were completed due to matching funds and the collaboration of the entire county.

The passage of the original Measure C truly was a turning point for Fresno County's infrastructure and transportation systems, and paved the way (literally and figuratively) for all the improvements we are about to undertake under the auspices of the Measure C Extension 2007-2027.



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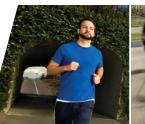
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# FAQ's







# Measure C board members answer some of the questions they are most often asked.

#### HARRY ARMSTRONG

# Q: "When will State Route 180 be done?"

A: The good news is 180 West to Brawley Avenue opened to traffic in November 2008 and the 180 Extension East to Temperance Avenue broke ground in March 2008. Our goal at the Fresno County Transportation Authority is to connect State Route 180 to Interstate 5 on the Westside and have a NEW highway all the way to Kings Canyon National Park. This will provide an efficient route to transport our locally grown goods, a safer option for commuters, and it will allow tourists to enjoy the treasures of Fresno County.

#### KIRK HUNTER

## Q: "What can you tell me about Taxi Scrip?"

A: The Measure C Senior Taxi Scrip
Program enables Fresno County residents
who are 70 years of age or older to
utilize taxi services at a 75% discount
on taxi fares by purchasing the Taxi
Scrip. This program allows seniors to
have their independence and travel
virtually anywhere in a safe, affordable,
and convenient way.

#### **HENRY PEREA**

#### Q: "Why should I want to vanpool?"

A: The Measure C Commuter Vanpool Program covers up to \$350 a month in leasing costs for up to one year, parking permits, start-up costs, and even emergency rides home. I strongly encourage people to take a closer look at this program. Vanpooling is a wonderful alternative to driving to work alone and spending thousands of dollars on gas. Better yet, vanpooling takes cars off the roads which in turn will improve the Valley's air quality.

#### JUDY CASE

# Q: "When will Highway 180 East be completed to Cove Road?"

A: The Measure C staff has worked diligently to prepare for the construction of Highway 180 and the project is considered "shelf ready." This will provide an enhanced opportunity to take advantage of any federal stimulus money for infrastructure.

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### **GIVING SENIORS A LIFT**

To a great number of seniors, getting around town is a luxury they just can't afford. Once they lose the ability to drive, many seniors are forced to rely on family members or friends to help them get to everyday places like the grocery store or a doctor's office. This is often a deflating blow to the self-esteem of formerly independent adults. But thanks to a new program funded by Measure C, seniors are now able to reclaim their independence and mobility for a fraction of the cost.

The Senior Taxi Scrip Program is an exciting new arrangement between Measure C and local taxi companies that allows seniors to obtain Taxi Scrip (like gift certificates) for only twenty-five cents on the dollar. Normally, the cost of using a taxi as a routine mode of transportation would be prohibitive since many seniors are on fixed incomes or have tight budgets, but with the Senior Taxi Scrip Program, taxi service is four times more affordable and makes taxi travel a much more viable option.

To be eligible for the Senior Taxi Scrip Program, a person must be a Fresno County resident, must be at least 70 years old, and must complete and submit the eligibility forms. If you or someone you know is interested in obtaining Taxi Scrip, please visit www.MeasureC.com or call 559-233-4148.

## PUTTING THE PEDAL TO THE METAL

With air pollution becoming a bigger and bigger issue and our knowledge regarding the harmful effects of airborne particulates from automotive exhaust increases, the issue of bike lanes, trails, and facilities is more important than ever to the residents of Fresno County.

The County has long had bike lanes snaking through its many cities and rural areas, but it's never had a unified bike lane system. Bike lanes that can take a cyclist from one end of town to another without stopping abruptly – forcing the cyclist to jump onto the sidewalk or face being squeezed out by motorists. Currently, new bike lanes are being built that will enhance the existing bike lane system, meaning that in the foreseeable future cyclists will be able to ride all over Fresno and Clovis.

All told, 4% of the Local Transportation Program is earmarked to fund significant improvements to the existing and planned pedestrian, trail, and bicycle systems, minimizing traffic disruption and maximizing safety.



For people who'd like to take a more active role in decreasing emissions and don't mind saving gas and money in the process, the Commuter Carpool Program is the perfect starting place.

Beginning July 1, 2009 the Commuter Carpool Program will reward motorists who carpool to work or school. Participating motorists who carpool for an entire month at least twice a week, and register online at <a href="https://www.valleyrides.com">www.valleyrides.com</a> are eligible to win a monthly \$1,000 prize and are automatically entered into a grand prize drawing for a brand new car.

Carpooling is important, not only because it helps get cars off the road during busy commute times, it also reduces fuel consumption, air pollution, the need for parking space, and the release of greenhouse gasses.

# IT'S OFF TO WORK WE GO

In order to reduce traffic congestion and air pollution, Fresno County has recently adopted the Commuter Vanpool and Farmworker Vanpool Programs. Designed to get commuters to work safely using a cost-effective alternative to single occupant vehicles, the Commuter Vanpool and Farmer Vanpool Programs offer financial assistance by covering monthly lease subsidies, driver replacement costs, emergency ride home programs, driver incentives, parking permits, monthly vouchers, start-up costs such as medical exams.

The Commuter Vanpool Program is open to both public and private industry competition, as well as potential public/private partnerships. In order to join the program, applicants must contact an authorized vanpool leasing company, visit <a href="https://www.MeasureC.com">www.MeasureC.com</a> or call (559) 233-4148.



# PASS THROUGH DOLLARS

For the original measure, funds were given to individual cities and the County with the understanding that they would allocate the money as they saw fit. If a city wanted to spend all of its funds on street maintenance and none on bike trails, or most on public transportation and only a little on ADA compliance, it was free to do so.

With the passage of the Measure C Extension 2007-2027, cities are no longer allowed to wholly decide where the money will be spent.

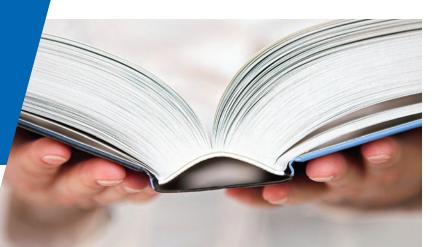
Cities are now given money that has been earmarked for certain projects or project categories and are expected to spend these "pass through dollars" on the aforementioned projects, or risk losing future money.

To oversee this process, Measure C voters approved an oversight committee made up of private citizens (see *Citizens on Patrol*) to hold the County and the 15 cities accountable for their spending. The Committee audits, reviews, and makes their findings public, thereby insuring that the money is spent appropriately.

Measure C Extension 2007-2027 brought with it so many new rules and processes that two new handbooks were developed by Authority and Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG) staff, with consultation from VRPA Technologies, Inc. These handbooks contain step-by-step instructions to assist the local agencies receiving extension funds on how to claim money for each category or program, as well as instructions regarding reporting requirements as mandated by the voter approved 2006 Measure C Extension Expenditure Plan. Once a handbook for each program has been developed and approved, the handbooks will be incorporated into a Strategic Implementation Plan that will updated every two years.

COMPLICATED

**MATTERS** 



# SAFER, CLEANER, BETTER BUSES



The passage of the Measure C Extension 2007-2027 brought with it the promise of new and improved school buses for the entire County – in the form of the School Bus Replacement Program. The Program, which has begun banking money but has not yet gone into an active phase, will replace public, private, and faith-based school busses throughout Fresno County, beginning with the oldest and grossest polluters in the fleet.

Once enough money from Measure C Extension 2007-2027 is banked, old buses that emit toxic fumes and emissions will be replaced with newer, cleaner-burning buses that meet all current California Air Resources Board emission standards and will include air conditioning and life-saving seatbelts for all students.

## **CITIZENS ON PATROL**

With the passage of Measure C Extension 2007-2027, a 13-member Citizens' Oversight Committee was created essentially as a watchdog group to keep the public informed and to ensure that Measure C funding program revenues and expenditures are spent as promised to the public.

The Fresno Council of Governments is responsible for providing staff to support the Committee and for providing technical and administrative assistance to support and publicize the Committee's activities, with the staff assignment subject to approval of the Committee.

The Committee may receive, review, and recommend actions or revisions to plans, programs, audits, or projects within the scope of its purpose. Responsibilities also include the annual review of sales tax receipt spending.



# FRESNO YOSEMITE International Airport

#### **FLYING HIGH**



For those who live near an airport, the sound of an incoming airplane or outgoing jet can be a very loud and an all-to-common occurrence. While the large jumbo jets that shuttle people around the country may make the voyage more convenient for travelers, they're basically a giant headache to airport neighbors. In order to reduce the impact from airport-generated noise, Measure C has helped finance improvements to over 840 homes that neighbor Fresno Yosemite International Airport.

Measure C dollars have also gone towards building electrical lighting systems, constructing storm drains, and resurfacing taxiways at FYI – in addition to financing many of the beautification and practical upgrades seen at both Chandler and FYI airports. In total, local airports are expected to receive approximately \$17 million over the twenty-year life of the extension.

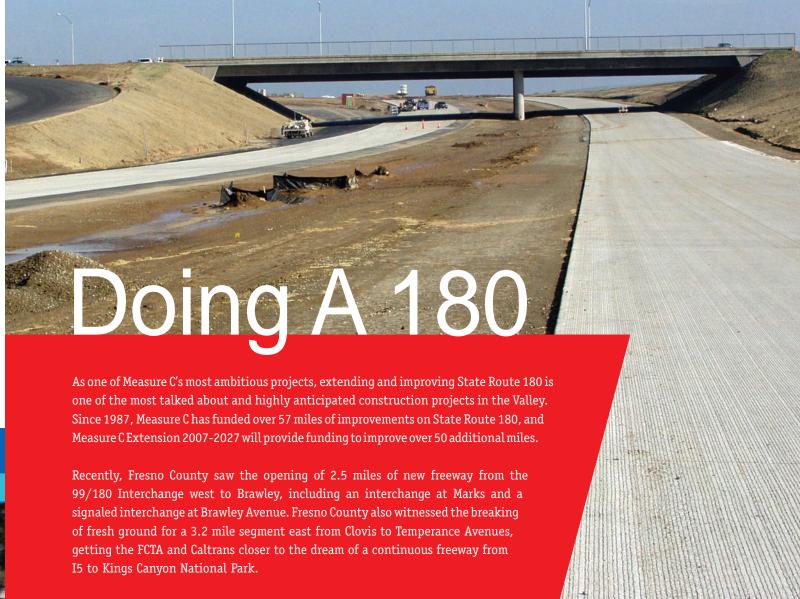
# GET ON THE BUS

In order to reduce traffic and improve air quality, Measure C Extension 2007-2027 provides money to the three county transit agencies: Fresno Area Express (FAX), Clovis Transit, and Fresno County Rural Transit Agency. These transit agencies use the funds to address service upgrades, including adding more routes, getting newer buses (including low emission), augmenting night and weekend service, building additional bus shelters, and creating safer access to public transit services.

Through the extra funding, FAX was able to add Route 56, which provides service to the Community College at Willow and International, Clovis Transit was able to add an additional bus to Route 50, which increases service from one hour to 30 minutes, and both transit agencies are now able to offer free service to all riders 65 and older. FAX's Handy Ride and Clovis Transit's Roundup, paratransit services for people whose disabilities prevent them from using the fixed-route services, added additional service on weekends.

A county-wide fare box system that would electronically verify money, count passengers, print transfers, and distribute passes is currently in the planning phase. This proposed system would be utilized by all three transit agencies, making it much easier for passengers to move around the County, regardless of where they're coming from or where they're going.





### NO REST FOR THE WEARY

Using monies from both Measure C and Measure C Extension 2007-2027, the widening and resurfacing of 23 miles of the Academy Avenue corridor has been an ongoing process for several years. Currently, all of the project-related environmental work is complete and the segment between California Avenue and State Route 180 is virtually finished. In addition, irrigation facilities have been relocated between Manning and North Avenues.



TOTALS T.D. WITH INTEREST

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1. REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSIT PROGRAM		Y.T.D. INTEREST	Y.T.D. TOTAL WITH OUT INT	TOTALS T.D. WITH INTEREST		Y.T.D. INTEREST	Y.T.D. TOTAL WITH OUT INT
PUBLIC TRANSIT AGENCIES - <b>TOTAL 19.66%</b> Fresno Area Express (FAX) Clovis Transit Fresno County Rural Transit Agency (FCRTA)	13.70% 1.97% 3.99%	<b>36,188.78</b> 24,611.76 3,594.68 7,982.34	10,553,582.84 7,354,226.10 1,057,505.50 2,141,851.24	10,589,771.62 7,378,837.86 1,061,100.18 2,149,833.58	PEDESTRIAN / TRAILS - <b>TOTAL 3.10%</b> Urban (Clovis & Fresno Spheres of Influence) - <b>2.15%</b> Clovis Fresno County of Fresno	5,935.42 4,204.63 590.20 3,029.40 585.03	1,376,819.51 1,154,130.37 173,634.04 905,223.34 75,272.99
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE STUDY (PTIS) / TRANSIT CO Public Transportation Infrastructure Study (PTIS)/Transit Consolidation	ONSOLIDATION - <b>TOTAL 0.29%</b> 0.29%	2,167.31	155,673.40	157,840.71	Rural - 0.95%  Coalinga  Firebaugh  Fowler	3,017.74 Flex Flex Flex	<b>222,689.14</b> Flex Flex Flex Flex
ADA/SENIORS / PARATRANSIT - <b>TOTAL 0.79%</b> Fresno COG	100.00%	5,903.97	424,075.81	429,979.78	Huron Kerman Kingsburg Mendota	Flex Flex Flex Flex	Flex Flex Flex Flex
FARMWORKER / CAR/VAN POOLS - <b>TOTAL 1.16%</b> Farmworker Vanpools Car/Vanpools	0.58% 0.58%	<b>8,669.14</b> 4,334.57 4,334.57	<b>622,693.60</b> 311,346.80 311,346.80	<b>631,362.74</b> 315,681.37 315,681.37	Orange Cove Parlier Reedley San Joaquin Sanger Selma	Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex	Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex
NEW TECHNOLOGY RESERVE - TOTAL 2.10%  New Technology Reserve	2.10%	19,713.14	1,127,290.14	1,147,003.28	County of Fresno	Flex	Flex
2. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM			BICYCLE FACILITIES - <b>0.90%</b> Clovis 8.57%  Coalinga 1.63%	<b>1,979.74</b> 140.69 <i>Flex</i>	<b>404,986.82</b> 41,391.00		
LOCAL ALLOCATION - TOTAL 30.60% Street Maintenance - 15.30%  Clovis Coalinga Firebaugh Fowler Fresno Huron Kerman Kingsburg Mendota Orange Cove Parlier Reedley San Joaquin	8.57% 1.63% 0.61% 0.57% 46.16% 0.67% 1.21% 1.11% 0.99% 0.97% 1.19% 2.31%	78,465.08 38,393.03 2,357.81 1,523.28 262.55 260.96 12,100.75 281.77 430.83 389.60 357.30 393.35 401.33 743.48 195.90	16,791,640.59 8,213,113.81 685,108.18 170,781.65 95,289.06 92,368.78 3,471,648.81 99,648.12 140,061.27 132,377.08 123,683.79 121,872.81 138,212.45 221,173.11 78,458.60	16,870,105.67 8,251,506.84 687,465.99 172,304.93 95,551.61 92,629.74 3,483,749.56 99,929.89 140,492.10 132,766.68 124,041.09 122,266.16 138,613.78 221,916.59 78,654.50	Firebaugh Fowler Fowler Fresno Huron Kerman Kingsburg Orange Cove Parller Parller Reedley San Joaquin Sanger Selma County of Fresno  1.057% 46.16% Huron 0.67% Kerman 1.21% Kingsburg 1.11% Mendota 0.99% 07ange Cove 0.97% Parller 1.19% Reedley 2.31% San Joaquin 3.38% Sanger 2.31% Selma 2.21% County of Fresno 29.10%	Flex Flex Flex 746.27 Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex	Flex Flex Flex Flex 222,994.25 Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex Flex
Sanger Selma County of Fresno	2.31% 2.21% 29.10%	710.96 16,103.64	221,224.27 213,801.19 2,207,404.64	223,103.79 214,512.15 2,223,508.28	3. REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM		
ADA Compliance - 0.50%  Clovis Coalinga Firebaugh Fowler Fresno	8.57% 1.63% 0.61% 0.57% 46.16%	1,256.43 77.30 51.39 8.80 8.74 395.82	267,773.41 22,521.92 5,700.30 3,231.22 3,135.72 113,658.86	269,029.84 22,599.22 5,751.69 3,240.02 3,144.46 114,054.68	REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM - <b>TOTAL 30.40%</b> Urban 14.70%  Rural 14.70%  Fresno Airports - City of Fresno 1.00%	277,784.58 137,994.07 137,994.07 1,796.44	16,318,866.65 7,891,030.91 7,891,030.91 536,804.83
Huron Kerman	0.67% 1.21%	9.43 14.30	3,373.81 4,695.55	3,383.24 4,709.85	4. ALTERNATIVE TRANPORTATION PROGRAM		
Kingsburg Mendota Orange Cove Parlier	1.11% 0.99% 0.97% 1.19%	12.96 11.90 12.87 13.33	4,444.23 4,159.90 4,100.67 4,635.08	4,457.19 4,171.80 4,113.54 4,648.41	ALTERNATIVE TRANPORTATION PROGRAM - <b>TOTAL 6%</b> Rail Consolidation 6.00%	56,324.10	3,220,828.94
Reedley San Joaquin Sanger	2.31% 0.38% 2.31%	24.52 Flex 63.03	7,348.41 <i>Flex</i> 7,350.07	7,372.93 Flex 7,413.10	5. ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM		
Selma County of Fresno Flexible Funding - 14.80%	2.21% 29.10%	23.47 528.57 <b>38,815.62</b>	7,107.31 72,310.36 <b>8,310,753.37</b>	7,130.78 72,838.93 <b>8,349,568.99</b>	ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM - <b>TOTAL 3.50%</b> School Bus Replacement 2.30%  Transit Oriented Infrastructure for In-Fill 1.20%	<b>32,855.73</b> 21,590.91 11,264.82	<b>1,878,816.89</b> 1,234,651.10 644,165.79
Clovis Coalinga Firebaugh	8.57% 1.63% 0.61%	2,280.53 1,763.69 304.82	662,586.23 203,072.23 106,169.26	664,866.76 204,835.92 106,474.08	6. ADMINISTRATION/PLANNING PROGRAM		
Fowler Fresno Huron Kerman Kingsburg Mendota Orange Cove Parlier Reedley San Joaquin Sanger Selma County of Fresno	0.57% 46.16% 0.67% 1.21% 1.11% 0.99% 0.97% 1.19% 2.31% 0.38% 2.31% 2.21% 29.10%	296.02 11,704.92 329.51 518.64 459.64 415.84 466.89 480.28 909.45 224.81 2,220.81 864.71 15,575.06	100,821.12 3,357,989.98 112,005.65 163,900.13 152,035.83 140,045.18 140,039.89 161,139.12 266,519.17 266,519.17 256,048.43 2,135,094.35	101,117.14 3,369,694.90 112,335.16 164,418.77 152,495.47 140,461.02 140,506.78 161,619.40 267,429.18 86,991.88 268,739.98 256,913.14 2,150,669.41	ADMINISTRATION / PLANNING PROGRAM - <b>TOTAL 1.5 %</b> Fresno County Tranportation Authority (FCTA) - Administration 1.00%  FCTA - Services and Supplies  Fresno COG 0.50%	<b>10,306.66</b> 8,051.34 1,068.61 1,186.71	805,207.24 536,804.82 - 268,402.42
					Total Allocation Amount Plus Accrued Interest FCTA - Measure C 1/2% Sales Tax Deposit  TOTAL DEPOSIT Diff	536,293.65 <b>536,293.65</b>	53,680,482.43 53,680,482.43 0