

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

June 10, 2009

Item Number 3d

Resolution No. 3847, Revised, and 3871, Revised

- Subject:** Revisions to Resolution 3847, New Freedom First Cycle Program of Projects for Large Urbanized Areas, and 3871, Revised, New Freedom Second Cycle Program of Projects for Large Urbanized Areas
- Background:** The Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) New Freedom Program addresses the transportation needs of disabled persons through the provision of new services and facility improvements that go beyond the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA). The Program provides grants for operating and capital costs.
1. In February 2008, the Commission adopted Resolution 3847, which approved the FY 2005-06 New Freedom Program of Projects. In Resolution 3847, the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) was awarded \$200,000 in New Freedom funds. SFMTA had originally requested \$418,400 in New Freedom funds for a project with a total cost of \$523,000. Because the project was only awarded \$200,000 in New Freedom funds, and the FTA only requires a 20 percent local match for a capital project funded by a New Freedom grant, SFMTA requested that MTC reduce the total cost of the SFMTA project from \$523,000 to \$250,000 and reduce the scope of work accordingly. Staff concurs with this request.
 2. In September 2008, the Commission adopted Resolution 3871, which approved the New Freedom Second Cycle Program of Projects. In Resolution 3871, the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) was awarded \$177,857 in New Freedom funds. SamTrans had originally requested \$521,581 in New Freedom funds for a project with a total cost of \$654,579. Because the project was only awarded \$177,857 in New Freedom funds, and the FTA only requires a 20 percent local match for a mobility management project funded by a New Freedom grant, SamTrans requested that MTC reduce the total cost of the SamTrans project from \$654,579 to \$222,321 and reduce the scope of work accordingly. Staff concurs with this request.
- Issues:** None.
- Recommendation:** Refer Resolution No. 3847, Revised and 3871, Revised to the Commission for approval.
- Attachments:** MTC Resolution No. 3847, Revised, and 3871, Revised

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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 3847, Revised

This resolution adopts the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Freedom (Section 5317) Program of Projects for the large urbanized areas of the San Francisco Bay Area.

The following attachment is provided with resolution:

Attachment A FY 2005-06 New Freedom Program of Projects for
Large Urbanized Areas

This resolution was revised on June 24, 2009 to amend Attachment A to reduce the local match amount for the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency project, and to modify the total project cost and project description accordingly.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the MTC Executive Director's Memorandum to the Programming and Allocations Committee dated February 13, 2008, and the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary sheets dated February 13, 2008 and June 10, 2009.

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NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM - FY 2005-06 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR LARGE URBANIZED AREAS

No.	Subrecipient	Project		Total Project Cost	Federal New Freedom Recommended Share
		Name	Description		
1	AC Transit	Paratransit Inventory	Conduct a detailed inventory of all available transit resources, including funding, equipment, and personnel, in Alameda and Western Contra Costa County to determine how best to structure a coordinated system. Also investigate institutional settings and financial implications of establishing a mobility manager.	\$180,000	\$144,000
2	Benicia, City of	Taxi Scrip Program Extension	Expand the Benicia Breeze Taxi Scrip Program to destinations in Concord, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, and Walnut Creek to provide access to social service, medical centers, shopping, recreation and other quality of life destinations in Central Contra Costa County for seniors, persons with disabilities, and Medicare card holders.	\$30,000	\$15,000
3	Berkeley, City of	Ed Roberts Campus/Ashby BART Station Enhancements	Support construction of a universally designed helical ramp, oversized accessible elevators, and an accessible elevator lobby for people who will visit the Ed Roberts Campus.	\$1,106,568	\$669,405
4	Central Contra Costa Transit Authority	Community Connection Program Expansion	Provide a \$5,000 per van annual subsidy for maintenance of up to 25 retired paratransit vans for use by community-based organizations to provide transportation services to seniors and people with disabilities, with at least 50 trips per month to ADA-eligible individuals.	\$125,000	\$62,500
5	Central Contra Costa Transit Authority	Comprehensive Mobility Options Inventory	Conduct a comprehensive inventory of all available mobility options for seniors and persons with disabilities to serve as a building block for later developing a mobility management function for majority of Contra Costa County and the Tri-Valley.	\$43,750	\$35,000
6	Contra Costa County Employment & Human Services Dept	Contra Costa Volunteer Driver Program Expansion	Expand existing volunteer driver programs for disabled, homebound seniors to areas in Contra Costa County that are low-income and/or have high populations of ethnic groups who do not speak English as their primary language.	\$153,114	\$45,000

**NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM - FY 2005-06 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR LARGE URBANIZED AREAS
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No.	Subrecipient	Project		Total Project Cost	Federal New Freedom Recommended Share
		Name	Description		
7	San Mateo County Transit District	Peninsula Ride Connection	Provide mobility management services to seniors and people with disabilities in San Mateo County, including: assessing feasibility of countywide phone information and assistance service; coordinating corps of volunteer mobility ambassadors; updating the Senior Mobility Guide; coordinating and administering shared van program; promoting mobility in city planning processes; and developing business plan.	\$184,200	\$147,200
8	San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency	NextMuni Audible Arrival Time/Push-to-Talk (PTT)	Evaluate results of the pilot PTT installations, which translate bus arrival information and other messages to speech at bus shelters; and purchase and install PTT at an additional 50 locations.	\$250,000	\$200,000
9	Santa Clara Valley Transportation Agency	Mobility Options Travel Training Program	Provide travel training and fixed-route transit support information to persons with disabilities and seniors over a three-year period. Includes on-site and mobile presentations; specialized training for individuals with visual, cognitive, and developmental disabilities; group travel instruction; one-on-one travel instruction; and peer mode travel instruction.	\$454,254	\$227,127
Total					\$1,545,232

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ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 3871, Revised

This resolution adopts the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) New Freedom (Section 5317) Second Cycle Program of Projects for the large urbanized areas and the Second Cycle Program Priorities for the small urbanized areas of the San Francisco Bay Area. Further, this resolution directs that the Program Priorities for the small urbanized areas be submitted to Caltrans with the request that the projects be considered for funding in the statewide competition, and incorporated in the statewide Program of Projects submitted to the Federal Transit Administration.

The following attachments are provided with this resolution:

- Attachment A New Freedom Second Cycle Program of Projects for
Large Urbanized Areas
- Attachment B New Freedom Second Cycle Program Priorities for
Small Urbanized Areas

This resolution was revised on February 25, 2009 to amend Attachment B to be consistent with the statewide Program of Projects for small urbanized areas.

This resolution was revised on June 24, 2009 to amend Attachment A to reduce the local match amount for the San Mateo County Transit District project, and to modify the total project cost and project description accordingly.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary sheets dated September 10, 2008, February 11, 2009, and June 10, 2009.

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**NEW FREEDOM PROGRAM – SECOND CYCLE
PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR LARGE URBANIZED AREAS**

No.	Subrecipient	Project		Total Project Cost	Federal New Freedom Recommended Share
		Name	Description		
1	AC Transit	Mobile Data Terminals/ Automatic Vehicle Locators	Purchase and install mobile data terminals and automatic vehicle locators on up to 70 East Bay Paratransit vehicles to improve scheduling and enable real-time data collection.	\$660,000	\$300,000
2	CCCTA/ County Connection	Contra Costa Mobility Management Phase II	Develop a Mobility Management Plan using the transportation inventory developed in Phase I. Engage stakeholders to further define and focus on key service components unique to and common to all areas of the County. Will include recommendations, goals, objectives, actions, timeline, and funding plan for establishment of a Mobility Management Center.	\$100,000	\$80,000
3	Lafayette, City of	Lamorinda Spirit Van Program	Provide semi-escorted door-through-door transportation for seniors and persons with disabilities for essential errands and social functions.	\$92,503	\$24,481
4	LightHouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired	Accessible BART Station Maps	Develop and distribute a booklet of accessible maps of BART stations, above and beyond what is currently available, to facilitate safe and more effective travel for individuals who are blind or visually impaired. The map would be designed in tactile format with large print overlay, and will include tactile micro-dots that when tapped with a smartpen would provide audible info.	\$218,000	\$174,400
5	Marin Transit	Mobility Management Office	Establish a pilot Mobility Management Office to promote, enhance, and facilitate access to transportation service for individuals with disabilities, older adults, and low-income individuals. Coordinate and integrate transportation support services between Marin Transit and Marin County's Dept. of Health and Human Services.	\$144,813	\$115,850
6	Outreach & Escort	Mobility Management Center – Santa Clara County	Establish a Mobility Management Center to coordinate transportation resources for seniors and individuals with disabilities. Focus would be on emergency preparedness planning and coordination of transp. resources in response to an emergency event.	\$499,250	\$399,440

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 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR LARGE URBANIZED AREAS**
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No.	Subrecipient	Project		Total Project Cost	Federal New Freedom Recommended Share
		Name	Description		
7	SamTrans	Peninsula Rides Implementation	Implement and continue Peninsula Rides Program (formerly Peninsula Rides Connection), including: 1) implement Mobility Ambassador Program; 2) update Countywide transportation inventory; and 3) update, translate to accessible formats, reprint and distribute Senior Mobility Guide.	\$222,321	\$177,857
8	San Francisco MTA	Paratransit Shopping Shuttle	Provide City-wide group van transportation services twice a month to registered seniors and persons with disabilities who have difficulty using public transit for their grocery shopping needs. Service would include help on and off the vehicle with groceries.	\$520,000	\$260,000
9	Santa Rosa CityBus	Low-Floor Bus Purchase	Purchase full-sized, low floor bus for enhanced demand-responsive/deviated fixed route service to Oakmont, a senior community in Santa Rosa.	\$600,000	\$80,089
Total					\$1,612,117