

# Approve Programming Priorities for San Francisco's FY 2024/25 State Transit Assistance County Block Grant Funds



San Francisco  
County Transportation  
Authority

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# STA County Block Grant Program - Overview

- County block grant program replaced regional paratransit and regional Lifeline Transportation Program (LTP) in 2018
- Revenues from state sales tax on diesel fuel
- Funds may be used for transit operating and capital needs
- Only transit operators may receive funds
- By May 15 of each year, CMAAs must submit distribution policy (programming) to MTC
- Since 2018, we have programmed funds to paratransit and an SF LTP that addresses transportation needs of low-income populations

# FY 2024/25 STA County Block Grant

- Up to \$5,342,905 estimated to be available
- Due to the uncertainty of forecasting STA revenues, MTC recommends programming 95% of estimated STA revenues

	AMOUNT AVAILABLE
Programming at 95% of Estimate	\$5,075,760
Programming at 100% of Estimate	\$5,342,905

- STA amounts are finalized following the State's reconciliation of actual revenues generated at the end of each fiscal year

# FY 2024/25 STA County Block Grant

RECOMMENDED FISCAL YEAR 2024/25  
STA BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMMING  
LIST IN PRIORITY ORDER (SPONSOR)

1. Paratransit Program  
(SFMTA) \$3,300,000

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2. Elevator Attendant Program  
(BART) Up to \$356,901

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3. Treasure Island Electric Ferry  
Service (WETA) \$1,418,859  
(Up to \$1,686,004)

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**Total** \$5,075,760  
(Up to \$5,342,905)

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# Paratransit (SFMTA)

**STA funds recommended: \$3,300,000**

**Total Cost: \$34,743,157**

- Services for seniors and persons with disabilities
- Taxi trips, pre-scheduled van and inter-county trips, group van trips to senior centers, Essential Trip Card, Shop-a-Round and Van Gogh shuttles, Ramp Taxi Incentives program
- Funding at same amount as previous STA funding cycle



Between STA and Prop L sales tax, the Transportation Authority is providing 48% of the FY 2024/25 paratransit budget.

# Elevator Attendant Program (BART, SFMTA)

**STA funds recommended: Up to \$356,901**

**Total Cost: \$7,311,358 for two years**

- Improves safety, mobility and accessibility for BART and Muni customers who rely on elevators at the four downtown shared stations
- Supports economic recovery for downtown and encourages people to use transit
- Supplements STA funds previously approved for FYs 2023/24 - 2024/25 to help cover a 7.8% (\$526,086) cost increase
  - STA revenues from FY 2023/24 are coming in higher than the 95% estimate and are being applied toward the cost increase, as well



# Treasure Island Electric Ferry Service (WETA)

**STA funds recommended: \$1,418,859, up to \$1,686,004**

**Total Cost: \$3,775,883**

- 'Seed' funding toward first 12 months of electric ferry service operations, starting in 2026 to meet CARB requirement
- Benefits Equity Priority Community by reducing point source emissions and supports expected increased population on Treasure Island
- Planned funding includes fare revenues, Treasure Island private developer operating subsidy, future grants, and TIMMA toll revenues (once adopted)



# Thank you.

[sfcta.org/funding/lifeline-transportation-program](https://sfcta.org/funding/lifeline-transportation-program)

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