



## Prop K Sales Tax - Paratransit

This fact sheet provides some highlights of the Paratransit program in the Prop K half-cent transportation sales tax Expenditure Plan. This is the current sales tax program that is in effect, approved by San Francisco voters in 2003.

- The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) provides paratransit service to seniors and persons with disabilities who are unable to use Muni's regular fixed route service. The SFMTA's paratransit program, includes:
  - Door-to-door shared van service
  - Shop-a-Round / Van Go Shuttles
  - Ramp Taxi Incentive Program
  - Essential Trip Card Program (during COVID-19 pandemic)
- The SFMTA has provided, on average, 762,000 paratransit trips per year in the last 5 years pre-COVID.<sup>1</sup>
- The paratransit program is the only operating program funded by the Prop K sales tax. Over the life of the Prop K Expenditure Plan, the paratransit program will receive 8.6% of sales tax revenues collected.
- Since the inception of Prop K (2003) the half-cent sales tax has, on average, provided 42% of funding for the SFMTA's paratransit program based on the budget at the time of allocation. SFMTA estimates the Prop K share to be about 40% based on final budgets reflecting de-obligation of Prop K sales tax and/or other budgeted funds. (See Table 1 and Figure 1 for annual budget and Prop K share details.)
- Prop K funds are well leveraged by other federal, state and local funds used to support SFMTA's paratransit program. As an example, for the current fiscal year starting July 1, 2021, Prop K sales tax provided \$10.2 million for paratransit of a \$32.6 million contract budget (see Table 2).
- We advanced funds for the paratransit program to help keep up with increased costs and demand which increased faster than the revenue sources that support paratransit. While this has contributed to the stability of the SFMTA's paratransit program, we expect that Fiscal Year 2024/25 will be the last full year of funding for paratransit from the Prop K sales tax (with about a half year of funding in FY 2025/26).<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Data provided by Jonathan Cheng, SFMTA Paratransit Program manager

<sup>2</sup> Transportation Authority 2017 Prop K Strategic Plan as amended (09.17.2021)



**Table 1: SFMTA Paratransit Program: Prop K Sales Tax Share of Funding<sup>3</sup>**

Amounts are based on budget provided at time of allocation of funds by the SFCTA Board.

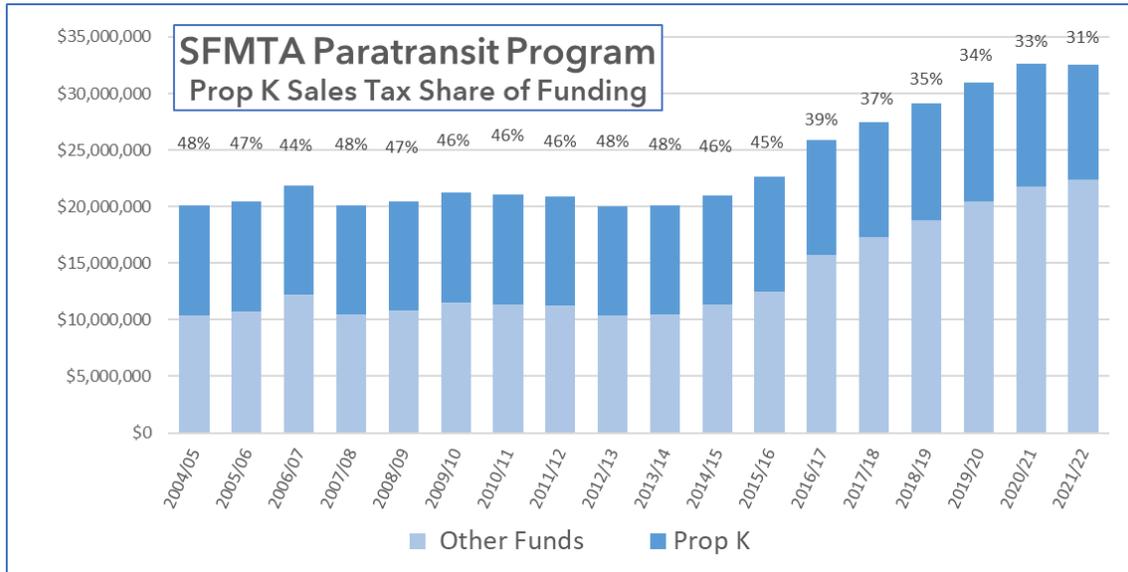
Budget Year	Total SFMTA Paratransit Budget	Sales Tax Funding	Sales Tax Fund Share
FY 2004/05	\$ 20,082,520	\$ 9,670,000	48%
FY 2005/06	\$ 20,417,999	\$ 9,670,000	47%
FY 2006/07	\$ 21,867,483	\$ 9,670,000	44%
FY 2007/08	\$ 20,139,537	\$ 9,670,000	48%
FY 2008/09	\$ 20,494,048	\$ 9,670,000	47%
FY 2009/10	\$ 20,006,595	\$ 9,670,000	46%
FY 2010/11	\$ 19,166,319	\$ 9,670,000	46%
FY 2011/12	\$ 19,709,531	\$ 9,670,000	46%
FY 2012/13	\$ 19,047,651	\$ 9,670,000	48%
FY 2013/14	\$ 19,606,050	\$ 9,670,000	48%
FY 2014/15	\$ 21,021,739	\$ 9,670,000	46%
FY 2015/16	\$ 22,651,133	\$ 10,193,010	45%
FY 2016/17	\$ 25,372,752	\$ 10,193,010	39%
FY 2017/18	\$ 26,709,789	\$ 10,193,010	37%
FY 2018/19	\$ 28,560,887	\$ 10,321,010	35%
FY 2019/20	\$ 29,354,462	\$ 10,500,472	34%
FY 2020/21	\$ 28,708,996	\$ 10,930,724	33%
FY 2021/22	\$ 32,572,974	\$ 10,233,010	31%
Annual Average Sales Tax Share:			42%

<sup>3</sup>Source: Prop K Allocations, 2004/05-2021/22.



**Figure 1: SFMTA Paratransit Program: Average Annual Prop K Sales Tax Share of Funding<sup>4</sup>**

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<sup>4</sup>Source: Prop K Allocations, 2004/05-2021/22.

**Table 2. Fiscal Year 2021/22 SFMTA Paratransit Budget<sup>5</sup>**

Funding Type	Fund Source	Funding Amount	Fund Share
Local	SMFTA Operating Budget	\$11,186,500	35%
Local	Prop K Half-Cent Sales Tax	\$10,223,010	32%
Federal	FTA Section 5307	\$4,782,205	15%
State	State Transit Assistance	\$3,012,914	9%
Local	BART	\$2,155,785	7%
Local	Department of Disabled and Aging Services	\$800,000	2%
<b>Total Funding</b>		<b>\$32,170,414</b>	<b>100%</b>

<sup>5</sup>Source: Prop K Allocation Request Form (SFCTA Resolution 22-002, July 27, 2021)