

Adopt San Francisco's One Bay Area Grant Cycle 4 Project Nominations



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One Bay Area Grant Cycle 4 (OBAG 4)

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC's) OBAG program directs federal funds to projects that advance implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan

OBAG 4 continues the structure of past cycles with regional and county programs that invest in transportation, housing, and land use to help achieve state greenhouse gas reduction goals

OBAG 4 County Program

About \$319 million available region wide

- Covers four Fiscal Years, from 2027 to 2030
- Rewards jurisdictions that accept and produce housing, particularly affordable housing
- Targets investments in Priority Development Areas and Transit-Oriented Communities
- Flexibility to support local priorities

MTC guidelines require that county transportation agencies like SFCTA will

- Conduct call for projects, in partnership with MTC
- Use MTC evaluation criteria to select projects (may add county specific criteria)
- Submit project nominations to MTC by October 31, 2026

MTC evaluates and selects projects for funding

OBAG 4 County Program

Broad project eligibility consistent with federal fund sources including:

- Transit reliability and access
- Local road safety, complete streets
- Safe Routes to School Non-Infrastructure program
- State of good repair for transit and local roads



OBAG 4 County Program

FUNDING FRAMEWORK DISTRIBUTION (ADOPTED APRIL 2026)

CMA Planning (supplemental funds)	\$2,153,000
Safe Routes to School Non-Infrastructure Program	\$5,843,000
Competitive Call for Projects *	\$48,660,000
Total Nomination Target (120%)	\$56,656,000

OBAG 4

Competitive

Call for

Projects

Screening

Criteria

Screening Criteria (partial list)

- Consistent with Plan Bay Area 2050+
- Eligible project type
- Ability to meet timely use of funds deadlines
- Minimum request of \$500,000 OBAG funds
- 11.47% local match
- Adhere to Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual selection and contracting requirements (federal funds)

OBAG 4

Competitive

Call for

Projects

County

Program

Scoring

Prioritization Criteria (partial list)

- Project readiness and deliverability
- Multi-modal benefits
- Safety
- State of good repair
- Transit reliability and accessibility
- Community support
- Benefits to disadvantaged populations
- Other criteria such as: Access to schools, senior centers, other community sites; Environmental sustainability; Fund leveraging

OBAG 4 Competitive Call for Projects

MTC Scoring Process

MTC will evaluate and score nominated projects

- 75 points: normalize County scores across the region
- Up to 25 points: delivery and risk, regional alignment, and federal system performance goals
- Up to 10 bonus points: air quality benefits

MTC may balance project prioritization based on:

- Variety of project types
- Equitable investments
- Geographic spread

OBAG 4 Competitive Call for Projects Applications Received

Call for Projects Schedule

- **April 17:** Released Call for Projects
- **July 7:** Application deadline

We received 14 applications requesting \$89.2 million versus our \$48.7 million nomination target (120%).

Applications are available on our website:
sfcta.org/funding/one-bay-area-grant-program#panel-open-call

OBAG 4 Projects with Other Pending Grants

PROJECT NAME (SPONSOR)	OBAG FUNDS REQUESTED	NON-OBAG PENDING GRANTS	NON-OBAG GRANT DECISION EXPECTED**
Mission Street Safety Improvements (SFPW)	\$23,293,000	Active Transportation Program (ATP)	Statewide: Nov. 2026 Regional: Early 2027*
Howard Streetscape (SFMTA)	\$8,937,000	Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)	December 2026
22nd Street ADA Improvement (Caltrain)	\$14,147,000	All Stations Accessibility Program (ASAP)	Fall 2026*
TOTAL	\$46,377,000		

OBAG 4 Staff Recommendations

Project List for 120% Nomination Target

RANK ORDER*	PROJECT NAME (SPONSOR)	OBAG FUNDS REQUESTED	RECOMMENDED OBAG AMOUNT
1	Mission Street Safety Improvements (SFPW)**	\$23,293,000	\$23,293,000
2	Howard Streetscape (SFMTA)**	\$8,937,000	\$8,937,000
3	16th Street Plaza Redesign (BART)	\$1,062,000	\$1,062,000
4	Access for All: Downtown Curb Ramp and Access Improvements (SFPW)	\$10,005,000	\$10,005,000
5	Bayview Caltrain Station (SFCTA)	\$1,062,000	\$1,062,000
6	Treasure Island Electric Ferry Pilot (TIMMA)	\$5,000,000	\$4,301,000
Total Project List For 120% Nomination Target		\$49,359,000	\$48,660,000

OBAG 4 Staff Recommendations

Contingency List

RANK ORDER*	PROJECT NAME (SPONSOR)	REQUESTED OBAG AMOUNT	RECOMMENDED OBAG AMOUNT
6	Treasure Island Electric Ferry Pilot (TIMMA)	\$699,000	\$699,000
7	22nd Street Station ADA Improvement (Caltrain)**	\$14,147,000	\$14,147,000
8	Geary-19th Avenue Subway (SFCTA)	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
9	16th Street Mission Elevator Modernization (BART)	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000
10	Chinatown Community-Based Transportation Plan (SFMTA)	\$592,000	\$592,000
11	California Street Transit and Safety (SFMTA)	\$10,878,000	\$10,878,000
12	Traffic Signal Cabinet and Fiber Communications Upgrade Program (SFMTA)	\$2,666,000	\$2,666,000
Total Contingency List		\$38,482,000	\$38,482,000

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Projects Recommended for Non-OBAG Sources*

PROJECT NAME (SPONSOR)	REQUESTED OBAG AMOUNT	NON-OBAG FUNDING SOURCE
West Portal Station Horseshoe Improvement (SFMTA)	\$1,500,000	Prop D TNC Tax
Digital Wayfinding and New Paratransit Software Procurement (SFMTA)	\$507,000	Prop L

*Programming and allocation of Prop D and Prop L funds require separate Board action, which we anticipate agendizing later this year.

OBAG 4 County Program Schedule

September 9:

CAC acts on project nominations

September 15 and 22:

Board acts on project nominations

October 31:

County Program nominations due to MTC

Early 2027:

MTC selects projects

Thank you.

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