



FACT SHEET: Real Estate

Berryessa/North San Jose Transit Center Transit-Oriented Development



Overview

The Berryessa/North San Jose Transit Center is a 3.3-acre property owned by VTA adjacent to the Berryessa BART Station, located on Mabury Road and Berryessa Station Way.

Currently, this vacant land is underutilized and has the potential for a mixed-used Transit-Oriented Development (TOD). These types of projects provide opportunities for people to live and work near public transportation, which helps clear the air, ease traffic, and adds infrastructure investments to the community.

VTA's Transit-Oriented Development Program works with municipal, non-profit, and private partners to encourage the development of housing, retail, and employment centers in places that will help increase transit ridership and contribute to a vibrant community.

For the Berryessa site, VTA has formed a partnership with the Santa Clara County Office of Supportive Housing, the agency that administers the 2016 Measure A Affordable Housing Bond. This partnership, which is still being finalized, will encourage development of affordable housing on the Berryessa site.

Objectives

- Prepare this site for future Transit-Oriented Development, beginning with talking to the community about its vision and needs
- System-wide ridership growth
- Increase mixed-use development, including affordable housing opportunities near transportation
- Provide job opportunities near transit

Outcomes

The proposed improvements may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Housing and jobs near transit centers
- Cleaner air and lower greenhouse gas emissions
- Traffic relief
- Increased public transit ridership

Outcomes

- Meet Housing Demand – Helps address the regional housing crisis
- Environmental and Public Health Benefits
- Reduce Auto Dependence – TOD residents have lower parking needs
- Economic Competitiveness – TOD locations are attractive to employers
- Neighborhood and Fiscal Benefits – TOD can create significant household savings (people living near transit spend less on transportation costs)

Current Activities

VTA is working with Santa Clara County, the City of San Jose, and the community to plan a space that allows people to live and work near public transportation. TOD in this location would allow for mixed-use residential and commercial development to occur on-site. The City of San Jose is also in the final stages of creating the Berryessa BART Urban Village Plan, which will also shape any development on this site.

More information on the Urban Village Plan can be found at: <https://www.sanjoseca.gov/your-government/departments/planning-building-code-enforcement/planning-division/citywide-planning/urban-villages/urban-village-plans-under-development/berryessa-bart>

Project/Development Schedule

VTA does not have a specific project proposed at this time. VTA anticipates issuing an RFP upon guidance from the VTA Board in the spring of 2021 after soliciting community feedback.

How to Reach Us

For more information on this project, please contact VTA's Community Outreach Department at (408) 321-7575, TTY (408) 321-2330. You may also visit us on the web at www.vta.org/berryessadevelopment or e-mail us at community.outreach@vta.org.