Vision
With the BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension, VTA embarks on a transformative project that unites and empowers the community it serves, fulfilling the vision of “ringing the bay” with high-quality, green transit.

Supported by strong state and federal commitments, it prioritizes equitable access, including affordable housing, quality transit, and inclusive neighborhoods.

The Phase II Extension Project supports Silicon Valley’s economy, connecting its residents to millions of jobs and generating 75,000 diverse job opportunities. VTA’s vision is one of empowerment, inclusion, and progress, leaving a lasting legacy for Santa Clara County and the Bay Area.

Transforming Communities through Transit
VTA’s BART Silicon Valley Phase II is a six-mile, four-station extension of the regional BART system from Berryessa/North San José Station, serving 55,000 weekday riders. The extension will traverse from east San José through downtown San José to the City of Santa Clara, providing riders with a fast and convenient transit alternative, while enhancing connections to other regional transit services.

This extension will support mobility for transit dependent populations, increase access to employment centers and opportunities, and stimulate economic development in Silicon Valley. Around stations, the project will help foster vibrant, pedestrian-friendly, transit-oriented communities that nurture neighborhood identities and support local businesses and microenterprises.

Facts Snapshot

- **Benefits**:
  - An average travel time saving benefits of 30 minutes for a 50-mile commute
  - Providing equitable transit for low-income communities
  - Connecting 1.7 million transit-dependent riders annually to high-quality transit
  - Intermodal connection to Caltrain, intercity, light rail, and regional bus service made possible through the extension

- **Bay Area commuters**
  - will gain access to 2 million people in Santa Clara County will gain access to 3.5 million Bay Area Jobs

- **Direct Megaregional BART Connection**
  - between four largest Bay Area Cities (San Francisco, Oakland, Fremont, and San José)

- **Minimized disruption**
  - to local businesses to the extent feasible through single-bore construction methodology

- **Activation of station sites and streets**
  - that foster walkability, vibrancy, activity, and cultivate a transit-oriented community

- **VMT reductions**
  - are estimated to reduce annual CO emissions by 50 tons and annual greenhouse gas emissions by 19,500 tons per year by 2040