

VTA Overview 2026



Agency

The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority employs more than 2,000 people dedicated to providing solutions that move Silicon Valley. Unique among transportation organizations in the San Francisco Bay Area, VTA is Santa Clara County's authority for transit development and operations (light rail, bus and paratransit), congestion management, transportation-related funding, highway design and construction, real estate and transit-oriented development, and bicycle and pedestrian planning. With partners on the local, state, and federal levels, VTA works to innovate the way Silicon Valley moves and provide mobility solutions for all.

Responsibilities and Functions

Transit Service

Operate, maintain, and improve bus, light rail, and paratransit services.

Transit Planning and Construction

Plan, design and construct new bus and light rail and BART projects, stations, and facilities.

Highway Planning and Construction

Plan, design, and construct selected new highway and roadway improvements.

Congestion Management Program

Develop, implement, and monitor the Congestion Management Program (CMP), which is intended to link transportation and land use planning within Santa Clara County.

Transportation Programming

Establish transportation capital improvement project priorities for local, state, and federal funding.

Caltrain Service

In partnership with the transit agencies for San Mateo and San Francisco counties, VTA contributes funds to Caltrain Commuter Rail service between the cities of San Francisco and Gilroy.

Regional Transit Partnerships

Join with transit operators in other counties to provide:

- Intercity rail service on the Capitol Corridor between the cities of San Jose and Sacramento
- Regional bus service between the cities of San Jose and Santa Cruz along Highway 17
- Regional bus service between Santa Clara and Alameda counties across the Dumbarton Bridge
- Commuter rail service over the Altamont Pass and Sunol Grade between the cities of Stockton and San Jose

Implement Local Transportation Ballot Measure Programs

Join with transit operators in other counties to provide:

- 2000 Measure A Transit Improvement Program
- 2008 Measure B BART Operations and Maintenance Funding
- 2016 Measure B Mobility Enhancements

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