The Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) is delivering transportation solutions critical to the vitality, prosperity and quality of life for all who live, work or play in Santa Clara County. In November 2000, Santa Clara County voters approved Measure A, a 30-year half cent sales tax devoted to specific public transit capital improvement projects and operations. Most of the ballot-defined projects are massive and very complex, requiring years to plan, design and construct. Although in just the 11th of a 30 year program (tax collection started mid-2006), VTA has achieved significant results toward meeting Measure A goals, including milestones achieved during FY 2017 (7/1/16 - 6/30/17):

- **Extending BART to the Santa Clara County cities of Milpitas, San Jose and Santa Clara** - The first phase, to Berryessa, is nearing completion, system testing is underway, and revenue service is projected for late 2018.

- **Improve Bus Service in Major Corridors** - Construction of Alum Rock Santa Clara Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) was completed and BRT revenue service along the corridor began May 2017. Also, construction of bus stop improvements for the Stevens Creek Rapid 523 was completed in late 2017 for this enhanced service that will serve the Berryessa BART Station when it opens in late 2018.

- **Caltrain service upgrades** - The Santa Clara Caltrain Station Pedestrian Underpass Extension, which provides safe pedestrian and bicyclist crossing under the railroad tracks, was completed and opened in June 2017.

PUBLIC HEARING: The CWC is holding a public hearing on FY 2017 Measure A expenditures to receive input from the community:

**RESULTS OF INDEPENDENT COMPLIANCE AUDIT**

on FY 2017 2000 Measure A Program Expenditures

The public is encouraged to attend but for those unable, written comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on May 9 at the addresses shown below. If you need accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) such as sign language interpreters or accessible print materials, or need documents translated in your primary language or an interpreter for this meeting, please contact VTA’s Customer Service at least five days prior to the meeting at (408) 321-2300, TTY (408) 321-2330.

**Documents, Questions and Submitting Comments for CWC Public Hearing:** Measure A Program documents and reports, including compliance audit results, are available at [www.vta.org](http://www.vta.org) and for public inspection from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays in the Building B lobby at 3331 N. First Street, Building, San José, CA 95134-1927. Questions or comments on the hearing should be emailed to board.secretary@vta.org or mailed to the Office of the Board Secretary at the above address.

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT:** Fulfilling its ballot-defined responsibilities, the independent Citizens Watchdog Committee (CWC) for Measure A commissioned an audit of the Measure A Program financial records for FY 2017. Macias Gini & O’Connell LLP, independent certified public accountants, conducted the compliance audit. They issued an unqualified (“clean”) opinion, meaning that in their professional opinion VTA complied in all material respects with the provisions defined in the ballot. Every annual Measure A compliance audit (12 to date) has received a clean opinion.