



2010-11 Federal Advocacy Program

Funding

- FY 2012 Appropriations - Secure federal funds for key capital projects and support funding for 2012 Project Priorities for:
 - Up to \$75 million for BRT Improvements within the Small Starts Program
 - Funding for bus lifting equipment program
 - Funding for AC Transit's Zero Emission Bus program
- Advocate for supplemental funding through the Federal Transit Administration to offset rising operating costs without jeopardizing total funding available for capital projects.
- Support funding for the Transbay Terminal.
- Support funding for the I-80 Corridor Mobility Project.
- Protect current Department of Homeland Security (FEMA) funding for the Transit Security Grant Program.
- Support/seek additional funding for lifeline services including, but not limited to services for access to work, school or medical facilities.

SAFETEA-LU Reauthorization

- Support funding for Authorization Project Priorities for:
 - Bus Rapid Transit service along Broadway-College corridor.
 - Upgrade of Intelligent Transportation Systems to improve operating efficiency and information to riders.
 - Improved energy efficiency and environmental emission systems at facilities.
- Support transportation reauthorization reform that emphasizes greater funding levels to large urban bus programs.

- Support legislation to alter the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) formula to favor large urbanized areas.
- Support consolidation of smaller formula programs such as JARC, New Freedom and 5310 Elderly and Disabled Programs and concentrate the funding in urban areas.
- Seek revisions to the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) grandfather clause that supports the direct representation of transit properties on local transportation policy boards.
- Support efforts to increase the gas tax or to increase other revenues to replenish the Highway Trust Fund/Mass Transit Account.

Other Concerns

- Advocate for transit-supportive legislation that mitigates global warming and/or calls for environmental stewardship and related funding.
- Support funding and coordination between Health and Human Service (HHS) agencies and other transportation agencies to provide services to HHS clients.
- Support modal parity in the commute tax benefits.
- Support legislation that relieves the fiscal burden of mandatory regulations.