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VTA'S ROLE IN COUNTYWIDE PLANNING

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TRANSIT CONTEXT

- Strong transit ridership in East San Jose
- Santa Clara / Alum Rock is an important transit corridor
- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) service from Eastridge to
 Downtown
- New transit service plan to connect riders to BART
- Network of frequent bus service (15 minute or better service on most routes)



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VTA IN EAST SAN JOSE

 BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension through Downtown San Jose and Santa Clara

- BART Phase II Transit Oriented Communities Strategies and Access Planning Study
- New Transit Service Plan (2019)
- Countywide Bicycle Plan (2018)
- Pedestrian Access to Transit Plan (2017)
- Valley Transportation Plan 2040 (2014)



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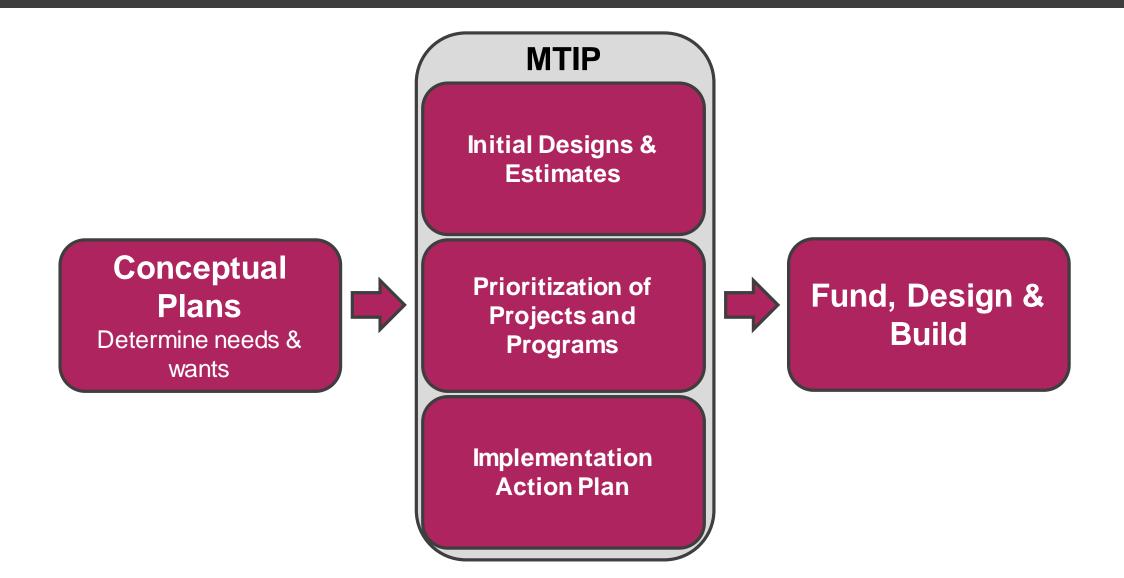
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MTIP

Multimodal Transportation Improvement Plan

MTIPs Are Beyond Conceptual Plans

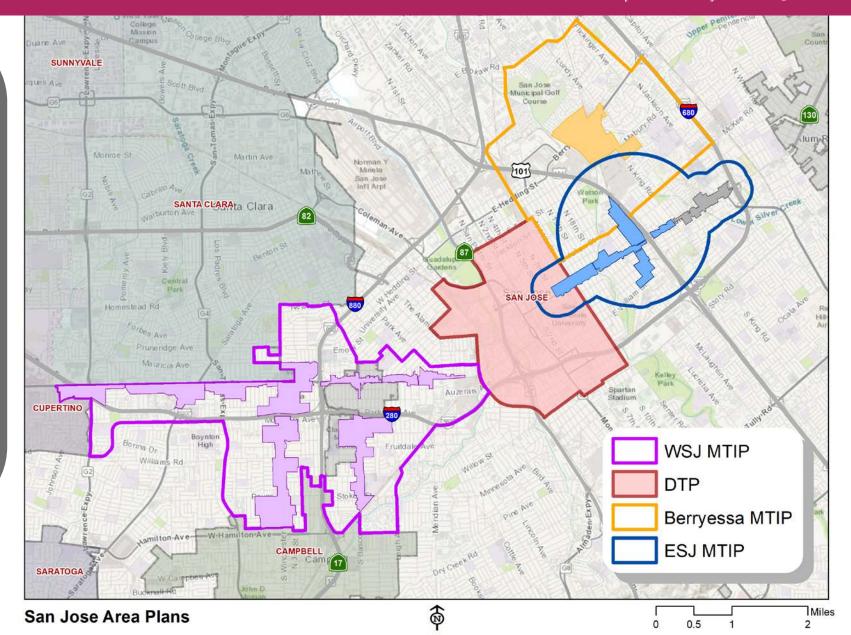


MTIP OBJECTIVES

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- Build from and <u>advance</u> past/ongoing planning efforts
- To <u>identify and prioritize</u> projects that align with local and citywide goals
- Produce <u>designs</u>, estimates, and implementation strategies for highest priority improvements
- Focus City efforts to <u>implement</u> highest priority items



PAST/ONGOING EFFORTS

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- Pedestrian Master Plan (2008)
- Five Wounds BART Station Area Community Concept Plan (2010)
- Envision 2040 General Plan (2011)
- 5 Urban Village Plans (2013 2018)
 - East Santa Clara Street (2018)
 - Roosevelt Park (2013)
 - 24th and William (2013)
 - Five Wounds (2013)
 - Little Portugal (2013)
- <u>VTP 2040 (2014)</u>
- Vision Zero San José (2015)
- BART Station Access (2016)
- Pedestrian Access to Transit Plan (2017)

- San José Complete Streets Design Standards and Guidelines (2018)
- Trail Plans for Coyote Creek, Five Wounds, and Lower Silver Creek
- Countywide Bike Plan (2018)
- Better Bikeways for Central San José (Ongoing)
- Better Bike Plan 2025 (Ongoing)





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- 2. How well does this project align with city goals?
- 3. What are the obstacles to delivering this project?

Community Serving

Community Goals

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Equity



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Preservation and Protection

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Local Economy



Public Life



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Safety & Health



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Climate

Deliverability

Construction Considerations

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Funding Partnership Opportunity Exists

PROJECT TIMELINE







Preliminary Project Ideas



Survey: bit.ly/enmovimiento-survey

Website: <u>sanjoseca.gov/esj-mtip</u>

June 19th Pop-up Events:

- East San José Carnegie Branch Library (2:30pm 6pm)
- Mexican Heritage Plaza (2:30pm 6pm)

Why Consultants Need Community-Led Outreach

Meghan Weir June 19, 2019

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WE PUT PEOPLE FIRST

Developing transportation systems to promote broader community goals of mobility, equality, economic development, and healthy living.



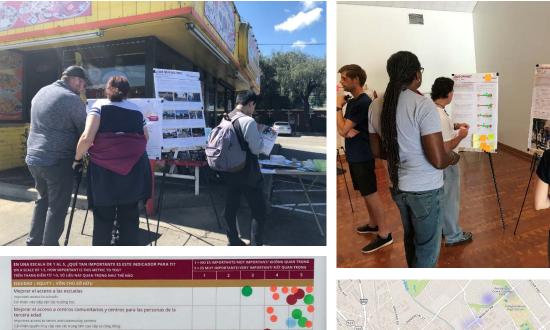
HOW TO ALIGN WITH COMMUNITY GOALS?

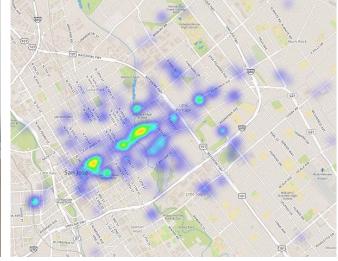
- Design engagement approach with input from the community
- Define goals based on input from the community
- Incorporate community goals in performance evaluation
- Expand conversation to address local priorities and concerns

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- Make engagement convenient
- Give people choices about how to participate
- Address concerns that are not always part of the transportation conversation
- Make the connection to local values and priorities explicit





STRONGER OUTCOMES







People Impacted

Our Unique Approach

Promotor Model

At Somos, our initiatives are advanced by trained community leaders, what we call Promotores (peer-educators).

Community Engagement

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• Shifting power back to the hands of people living in community to lead solutions and develop best practices in literacy

Community Bldg

- Mutual Support
- Collective Identity
- Skill Building
- Issue Analysis
 - Vision

Popular Education

Popular education is based on the lived experience of those participating in the learning and incorporates nontraditional methods of learning.

Community ACTION!

• Changes in policy, practices and norms

By Activating the Leadership of the Neighborhood

We Engage. We Build. We Act.



THE Impact:







Mission

Somos Mayfair supports children, organizes families and connects neighbors to uplift the dreams, power, and leadership of community and address systemic inequities





