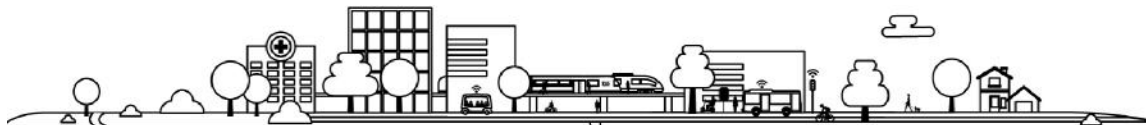


2024 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY PLATFORMS



Preserve Local Control: Local Sales Tax Dollars to Fund Local Improvements

Monitor efforts that attempt to utilize local sales tax measures to fund programs outside a voter-approved Transportation Expenditure Plan.

Advocate to preserve municipal tax and bond authorities and expand direct allocation to local agencies.

Support Increased Transit Options and Funding

Pursue legislative and administrative efforts to deliver adequate, sustainable funding for transit including first mile/last mile solutions and operations post-pandemic.

Seek broader awareness of transit reforms and CCTA's transit innovation projects and programs.

Encourage Regulatory Reform & Streamlining

Monitor legislative changes to Administrative Procedure Act and other similar laws.

Support proposals for revised regulatory processes that ease innovation in public transit, address AV realities, and provide parity and reduce duplication in project delivery.

Advocate with partner agencies to support a NEPA exemption for transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects, similar to California's SB 288.

Maximizing Opportunities in the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act

Position CCTA for surface transportation programs and prepare for anticipated grants in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act reauthorization legislation. As programs are implemented, monitor Funding Opportunity notices and regulatory adjustments.

THE STRATEGY

Partner with Bay Area transportation agencies, Caltrans and other statewide transportation organizations to build on the framework established by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Priority focus areas include funding vision zero safety efforts; zero emission transit; utilizing technology to smooth congestion; connected signal systems; electric vehicle readiness; "clean corridors" investments; and increasing accessible transportation options.

Monitor funding levels and oversight of IIJA programs to ensure they remain fully funded.

Seek and support federal solutions to resolve issues related to domestic manufacturing of autonomous vehicles and vehicle classification, including through agency rulemaking.

Continue support for legislation that encourages alternative delivery methods like public-private partnerships (P3) and Build America Bureau opportunities that seek to provide alternative funding and financing for transportation infrastructure projects.

Position CCTA as an expert witness before Congress to further call attention to the agency's – and region's – legislative priorities, as Congress conducts oversight of new programs.

Support Mobility Management & Coordination

Monitor funding opportunities (including direct allocation) and advocate for policies and mobility management services and clean transportation technologies: charging, information sharing, interstate operability, and electric bicycles.

Workforce Training

Advocate for federal workforce development programs to help equip the workforce of tomorrow with skills to better design, service and maintain new vehicle technologies.

Improving Accessibility for All

Ensure that CCTA is positioned to partner with federal resources furthering efforts to provide and improve accessibility for all community members.

Protect State Planning Efforts

Monitor and ensure that state and local planning efforts are not disrupted by administration changes in environmental or transportation policies or exemptions.

Federal Appropriations

Our goal is to maximize federal transportation appropriations for surface transportation programs.

THE STRATEGY

Partner with local, regional, and statewide transportation agencies as well as national associations to ensure that Congress appropriates funding consistent with amounts authorized in the IIJA, including discretionary transit funding.

Monitor and pre-position for federal competitive grant opportunities as discretionary grant programs are revised and redeveloped by U.S. DOT.

Advocate for the inclusion or development of programs or funding directives that support autonomous vehicle research, development, testing, deployment, and workforce development. This includes "AV Proving Grounds" and related legislative efforts.

Support appropriations to advance driverless vehicle and clean energy research and ensure that CCTA is well-positioned for the discretionary grant programs.

Support continuation of the RAISE, INFRA, MEGA, SMART, and ATTAIN discretionary grant programs with funding levels at or above past funding levels.

Connected & Autonomous Vehicles

We want to support policies and programs that incorporate new technologies, practices, and providers in an effort to improve mobility.

THE STRATEGY

Support and advocate for policies and funding to advance connected and autonomous vehicle technology to enhance safety, mobility, the environment, interstate operability for new technologies, economic growth, and job creation.

Collaborate with other stakeholders to position the former proving ground designations as national leaders and models for AV development.

Monitor grant opportunities from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Continue autonomous vehicle efforts including Buy America.