



Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District

AC Transit Budget & Service Update

Receive a presentation from AC Transit on agency deficit projections and potential service and workforce reductions

Background

The Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) is the largest public bus-only transit system in California. For 65 years, AC Transit has connected East Bay residents to jobs, school, healthcare, and community life. However, rising costs have outpaced funding provided for AC Transit, and the District is now at a historic financial crossroads, facing a four-year, \$200 million deficit beginning in Fiscal Year 2027-28

The emergency relief funding that sustained service through the pandemic is now gone. At the same time, costs of operating transit are rising – from wages and benefits to fuel, parts, and bus production – while the rise in costs has outpaced revenues.

A recent State of California bridge loan provides temporary relief but does not solve the ongoing lack of funding. The passage of a proposed ballot measure in November could provide funding for AC Transit to continue full service. However, without that additional funding, our 65-year-old transit district faces unavoidable service cuts of up to 16% and potential lay-offs impacting as many as 300 employees.

Current Status

This is an informational presentation. AC Transit representatives will provide an update on the agency's financial outlook, including projected deficits and possible service and workforce reductions, and will invite public input.