



OneBayArea Grant



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Transportation
**planning, funding and
coordinating** agency
for the nine-county
San Francisco
Bay Area





BayArea Plan

- Regional long-term sustainable community growth strategy
- Responds to California Senate Bill 375
 - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions 15% per capita by 2035
 - House the region's population growth at all income levels
 - Links transportation and land use planning




Growth Strategy

Focused Growth

 Non-urbanized land

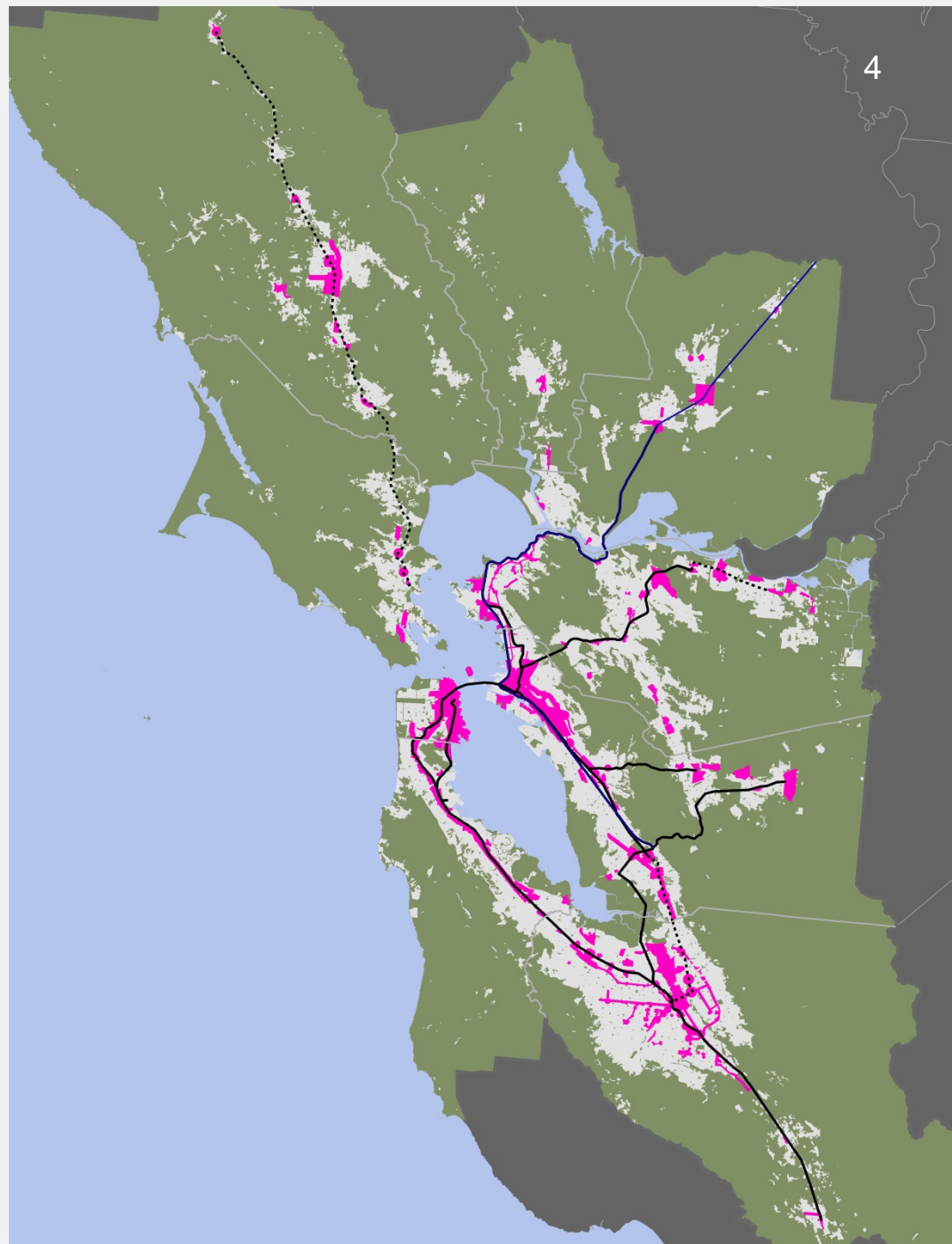
 Urbanized land

 Priority Development Areas (PDAs)

■ Less than 5% of land area

■ Nearly 80% of new homes

■ Over 60% of new jobs



Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA)

- California State fair-housing law
 - Identifies number of housing units, including affordable units, each community must plan to accommodate Housing Elements
- Current RHNA closely linked to Plan Bay Area land use plan
 - Priority Development Areas
 - Transit
 - Employment



OneBayArea Grant Incentives

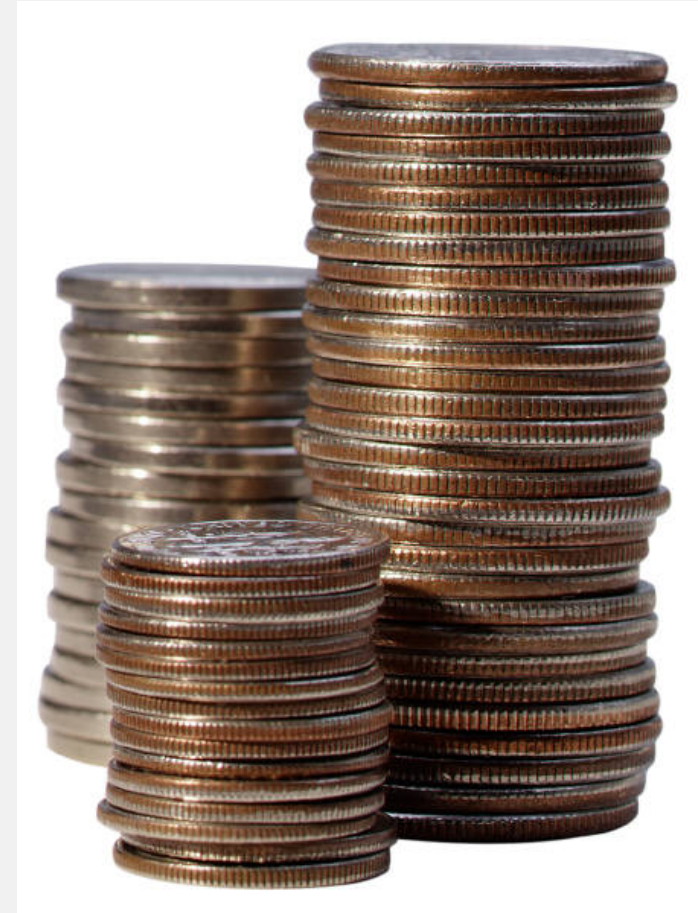
- Reward jurisdictions that produce housing near transit and create healthy communities
- Target investments in PDAs
- Provide more local funding overall and more flexibility on how money can be spent
- Monitor how expenditures address adopted performance objectives



One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Program Funding

Federal transportation funding

- Surface Transportation Program,
Congestion Mitigation
Air/Quality, Program
 - \$795 million over 4 years
 - \$475m region
 - \$320m counties



More Flexibility for Local Decision Making

■ Compared to Prior Funding Cycle

- Total funding pot grows 150%
- Local share of the overall program grows from 20% to 40%
- Programs no longer in silos
- Project eligibility criteria eased

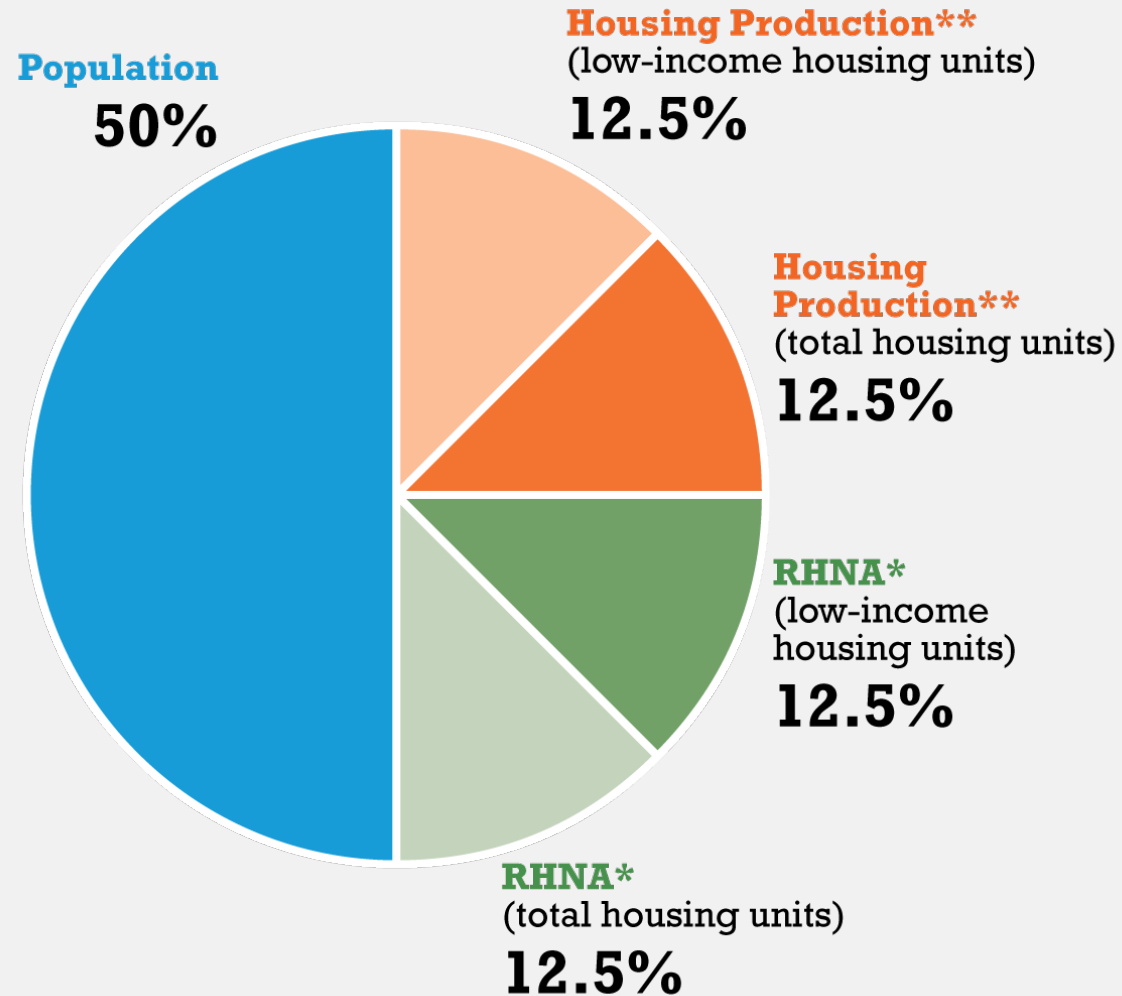


**Local
Share up
20%**



**Project
Criteria
Eased**

OBAG Distribution Formula



OBAG Requirements

- Flexibility in distribution, but OBAG requires:
 - Counties
 - 70% of funds to be spent in PDAs for larger counties; 50% for smaller counties
 - Development of PDA Investment and Growth Strategies
 - All jurisdictions
 - Housing element adoption
 - Complete streets resolution or consistency with general plan



Eligible OBAG Projects

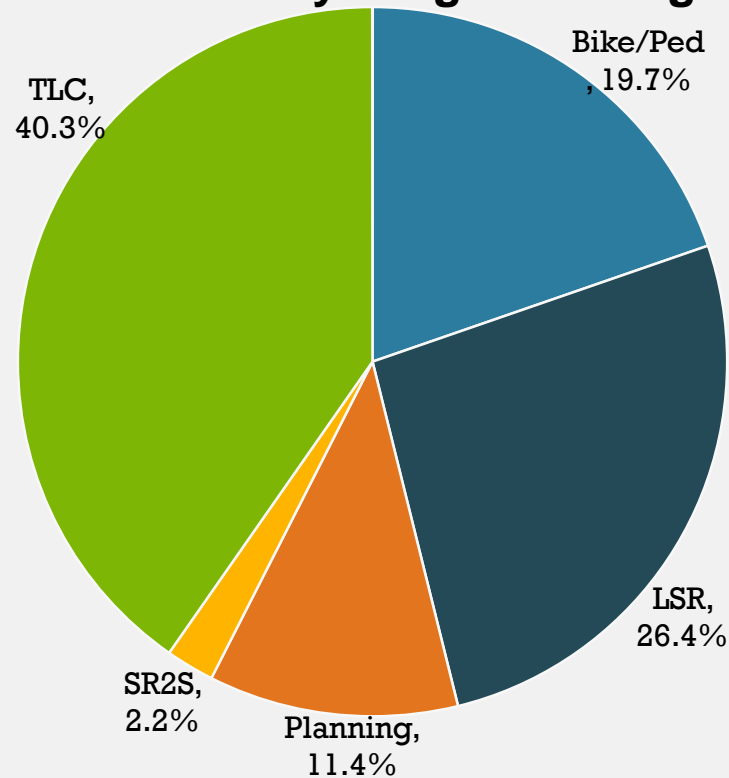
- Each county transportation agency may program OBAG funds to any one of the following transportation improvement categories:

- Local Streets and Roads Preservation
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements
- Transportation for Livable Communities (Streetscape Improvements)
- Safe Routes to Schools
- Complete Streets Projects
- Priority Conservation Area
- Planning Activities



OBAG Project Selection Outcomes

Breakdown by Program Category



- Overall funding increased from previous cycle - \$126.8 M to \$320 M
- More projects received grants (from 133 to 195)
- Average grant size increased from \$1.0 M to \$1.6 M and Project size increased from \$2.1 M to \$3.3 M

For More Information

Website Links:

OneBayArea Grant Program

<http://www.mtc.ca.gov/funding/onebayarea/>

Plan Bay Area

http://www.mtc.ca.gov/planning/plan_bay_area/

Focus Program

<http://www.bayareavision.org/initiatives/index.html>

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