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Partnership Planning					
CT District	Grant Recipients	Project Name	County	Project Description	Grant Award
4	Metropolitan Transportation Commission / Sacramento Area Council of Government	Smarter Growth Along the I-80 Capitol Corridor	San Francisco, Solano, Sacramento and Yolo.	The Metropolitan Transportation Commission in coordination with the Sacramento Area Council of Governments will conduct a study comparing the joint interregional projections with all the local general plans along the corridor and the predicted future market demand for infill development and transit-oriented housing, and evaluate the transportation investment and air quality impacts of the two Regions' smart growth scenarios for the Interstate 80 Corridor.	\$300,000
6	Council of Fresno County Governments	Phase 2 Freeway Deficiency Study in Fresno and Madera Counties	Fresno & Madera	Council of Fresno County Governments and the City of Fresno would provide a much-needed plan for the improvement of freeway interchanges and other regional transportation system improvements in response to the projected increase in travel demand. The plan will allow Fresno and Madera Counties to improve transportation for people and the movement of goods, which will improve the economic vitality of the Region.	\$240,000
7	Southern California Association of Governments / City of Los Angeles	Downtown LA Freeway System Study	Los Angeles	The Southern California Association of Governments and the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation will study and evaluate the adequacy of the existing freeway system serving Downtown Los Angeles and the freeway to surface street interface in light of shifts in regional traffic patterns, increasing number of trucks, congestion at interchanges, and recent changes in Downtown land uses, specifically new residential communities and new regional destination points such as Staples Center and the Walt Disney Concert Hall.	\$300,000

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11	San Diego Association of Governments / San Diego Unified Port District	Global Gateway Intermodal Access Improvements Project	San Diego	The San Diego Association of Governments and the San Diego Unified Port District will identify the essential access and infrastructure necessary to link the San Diego Unified Port District Marine Cargo terminals to the California Freeway Network and National Highway System. This project intends to improve safety and security of goods movement, provide an integrated planning process that will seamlessly transition to the environmental process, and consider the implications of freeway operations in the context of the planning process.	\$250,000
				<i>Total Partnership Planning</i>	<i>\$1,090,000</i>
Transit Planning Grants - Statewide Transit Planning Studies					
3	Sacramento Area Council of Governments	County of Sacramento: South and East County Transit - Short Range Transit Plan	Sacramento	The Sacramento Area Council of Governments proposes to update the existing SRTP for the following reasons: the recent expansion/changed service area; rerouting of current fixed routes due to the recent extension of the Sacramento Regional Transit District Light Rail; creating local fixed routes for the Sacramento Delta Communities; review equipment and facility needs; and study the feasibility of replacing some general dial-a-ride services with fixed routes for popular origins and destinations.	\$56,000
4	Metropolitan Transportation Commission / BART	BART Strategic Stations Assessment	Alameda, Contra Costa, San Francisco and San Mateo	The Metropolitan Transportation Commission and BART will develop a strategic assessment of BART station areas that evaluates trade-offs between transit-oriented development opportunities and access investments (e.g., parking garages, bicycle facilities) at a system- and corridor-level, while also considering the known capacity constraints on existing transit infrastructure.	\$185,000

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4	Metropolitan Transportation Commission / SamTrans	San Mateo TOD Opportunity Study	San Mateo	The Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the San Mateo County Transit District will build upon existing transit-oriented development studies and guidelines to assess development opportunities and provide a specific plan of action for implementing high-density residential mixed-use development within close proximity of each transit station along the Bay Area Rapid Transit and Caltrain corridors within San Mateo County.	\$280,000
7	Southern California Association of Governments / Orange County Transportation Authority	Commuter Rail Station Needs Assessment	Los Angeles / Orange / San Bernardino	The Southern California Association of Governments SCAG and the Orange County Transportation Authority will assess demand for parking, transit feeder service, airport fly-away service, and opportunities for transit-oriented development at 15 commuter rail stations located along the 91 Line (Riverside to Fullerton to Los Angeles), the Inland Empire to Orange County Line, and the Orange County Line.	\$280,000
11	San Diego Association of Governments	Freeway Transit Lane Monitoring Program	San Diego	The San Diego Association of Governments will develop performance measures and monitoring parameters for the project that would allow Caltrans and SANDAG to determine the feasibility of continuing the project and/or applying it to other corridors in the region. The demonstration project will evaluate the safety and feasibility of operating buses in freeway shoulder lanes (Route 960).	\$150,000
11	San Diego Association of Governments Uptown Partnership, Inc.	Hillcrest Corridor Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Planning and Conceptual Design	San Diego	The San Diego Association of Governments and Uptown Partnership, Inc. will build upon the completed traffic study by providing conceptual design for both transit and related pedestrian improvements, including bus lanes and stations, for this mixed-use, urban corridor.	\$132,000
				<i>Subtotal Statewide Transit Planning Studies</i>	<i>\$1,083,000</i>

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Transit Planning Grants - Transit Technical Assistance					
2	Lassen County Transportation Commission	Short Range Transit Development Plan	Lassen	Lassen County Transportation Commission will prepare a SRTDP for the region of Lassen County. This project will lead to the development of a plan that will identify the steps necessary for an optimally effective and coordinated transit system.	\$44,000
3	SACOG / Unitrans / Yolo TMA	Community Connections: A Business Case	Yolo	Placer County Transportation Planning Agency will develop financial and implementation plans for coordinating and consolidating dial-a-ride services in the South Placer region.	\$14,150
3	El Dorado County Transportation Commission	El Dorado County Transit Authority Marketing Plan	El Dorado	El Dorado County Transportation Commission and El Dorado County Transit Authority will do a strategic marketing plan for El Dorado County Transit.	\$30,322
3	Placer County Transportation Planning Agency	South Placer Regional Dial-A-Ride Transit Study	Placer	Development of a financial and implementation plans by year for coordinating/consolidating a dial-a-ride services in the South Placer region.	\$45,780
4	Metropolitan Transportation Commission / City of San Ramon	Short Range Transit Plan	Contra Costa	Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the City of San Ramon will develop the San Ramon Valley Master Transit Plan that will reflect local defined transit needs and priorities for the City of San Ramon.	\$20,000
4	Metropolitan Transportation Commission / Napa County Transportation Planning Agency	Northern Napa Valley Transportation Assistance Plan	Napa	Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Napa County Transportation Planning Agency will examine the existing upper valley transit services for potential improvements. The study will also determine if existing resources can be deployed to accommodate some type of service to more inaccessible communities in the northern Napa Valley.	\$45,000

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5	Association of Monterey Bay Area of Governments	Salinas Valley Short Range Transit Plan Update	Monterey	Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments will evaluate the transit systems in Greenfield, King City, and Soledad to identify deficiencies and opportunities through the short-range transit planning process.	\$42,834
5	San Luis Obispo Council of Governments / City of Paso Robles	Paso Robles Marketing Plan	San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo Council of Governments and the City of Paso Robles wish to develop and implement a strategic marketing plan for potential new transit routes servicing the communities of Paso Robles, Templeton, and Atascadero.	\$26,559
5	San Luis Obispo Council of Governments	Transit Mobility Training for Seniors	San Luis Obispo	San Luis Obispo Council of Governments is proposing a regional effort to increase awareness, understanding and use of public transit choice by seniors via a regional mobility training pilot program.	\$35,000
6	Kern County Council of Governments / Kern Regional Transit	Transportation Development Plan	Kern	Kern Council of Governments and Kern Regional Transit (KRT) will develop a short-range transit development plan for Frazier Park and the surrounding rural communities of Gorman, Lebec, Lake of the Woods, and Pinion Pines. This study will analyze KRT's existing transit service to the study area and make recommendations on how to improve transit operations.	\$35,412
7	Southern California Association of Governments / LA County Department of Public Works	Sun Village Transportation Study	Los Angeles	Southern California Association of Governments and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works propose to conduct a transit needs study in the unincorporated Los Angeles County area of Sun Village to improve public transit services by identifying unmet needs, gaps, and deficiencies in the existing transit network.	\$40,000
					\$379,057

Subtotal Transit Technical Assistance

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Transit Planning Grants - Transit Professional Development					
2	Modoc County Transportation Commission	Modoc Transportation Handbook	Modoc	Modoc County Transportation Commission and the Modoc Transportation Agency will develop a transportation handbook that defines operating frameworks for the regional transportation agencies as they relate to transit planning.	\$40,000
4	Metropolitan Transportation Commission / San Francisco Airport Commission	Ground Transportation Planning Interns - San Francisco International Airport	San Mateo	Metropolitan Transportation Commission and San Francisco Airport Commission propose to hire two undergraduate or graduate school transportation planning students to work on multi-modal transportation planning and operations at a major US airport that also serves as a major transportation hub for Bay Area Rapid Transit, San Mateo County Transit District, and private transit providers.	\$44,000
4	Metropolitan Transportation Commission / City of Concord	Citywide Transportation Hazard Elimination Plan	Contra Costa	Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the City of Concord will hire an intern to develop a survey identifying hazardous locations, sections, and elements with the City of Concord Transit systems, including major arterial routes, bus routes and pick-up locations, pedestrian and bicyclist pathways, and other transportation-related obstacles.	\$45,000
5	Association of Monterey Bay Area of Governments / Santa Cruz Metro Transit District	Santa Cruz METRO Transit Planning Development	Santa Cruz	Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments and the Santa Cruz Metro Transit District (SCRTD) will provide appropriate training and peer exposure for the professional development of the incumbent Transit Planner and planning staff at SCRTD. The training includes workshops, seminars, and conferences concerning geographic information systems in public transit planning, effective community participation in planning decisions, and exploring the land-use connection to the provision of public transit including issues associated with transit-oriented development and bus rapid transit.	\$22,500

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7	Southern California Association of Governments / Riverside County Transportation Commission	Rising Stars in Transit - Internships for University Students	Riverside	Southern California Association of Governments and Riverside County Transportation Commission will provide multiple internship opportunities for local students in the transportation-planning field. The students will work with various manager and departments to gain a comprehensive overview of specific transit planning functions.	\$50,000
10	San Joaquin Council of Governments	Transit Professional Development	San Joaquin	San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) will hire consultants to train SJCOG staff on the RidePro ride matching software. This system is the backbone of the Commute Connection (rideshare referral service, vanpool, carpool, and park-and ride service) for San Joaquin County.	\$11,440
10	Merced County Association of Governments	Increasing Transit Ridership Through Marketing	Merced	Merced County Association of Governments will send transit staff to a transit-marketing seminar and to interview marketing managers of selected transit systems in California.	\$8,700
11	San Diego Association of Governments	San Diego Transit Planning Internship	San Diego	San Diego Association of Governments and San Diego State University will staff and train three interns in transit planning in a joint agency context. The interns will work on transit planning and implementation activities at SANDAG and the Metropolitan Transit System.	\$50,000
				<i>Subtotal Transit Professional Development</i>	\$271,640
				Total Transit Planning Grants	\$1,733,697