

# One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 4) Guidelines



Programming and Allocations Committee  
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# Agenda

## Topics

- OBAG 4 overview
  - Development timeline
- Proposed guidelines
  - County program process and nomination targets
  - Regional program categories
  - CTA and MTC planning and implementation funds



# OBAG 4 Overview

**Purpose:** collaboratively **implement *Plan Bay Area 2050+*** priorities for transportation, housing, and the environment through complementary local and regional investments that improve connectivity, equity, and sustainability.

## County Program

- Partner with **County Transportation Agencies** on planning and implementation
- Fund **local priority projects** including roadway safety, complete streets, and state of good repair improvements
- Provide **effective incentives** for progress on regional goals



*Balanced  
and mutually  
reinforcing*

## Regional Program

- Implement **effective initiatives and services** that advance housing, environment, and mobility goals
- Offer **targeted local grants** that complement county investments
- Provide **regional leadership and strategic support** for inter-jurisdictional challenges



# OBAG 4 Development Timeline

Quarter	Commission	Stakeholders
Winter 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Dec 2024: SB 125 programming</li><li>Jan: OBAG 4 update</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Dec 2024: Partnership Board OBAG 4 kickoff</li></ul>
Spring 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mar: OBAG 4 overview and key considerations</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Feb-Apr: CTA county program options and discussion</li></ul>
Summer 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jul: OBAG 4 update, OBAG 3 regional program review</li><li>Aug-Sept: TOC kitchen cabinet mtgs</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jul 2025: CTA regional programs review and discussion</li></ul>
Fall 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Oct workshop: OBAG 4/TOC</li><li>Nov: OBAG 4/TOC refinements</li><li>Dec: OBAG 4/TOC ad hoc discussion</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Oct: CTA workshop preview and discussion</li><li>Dec: CTA OBAG 4 county recap</li></ul>
Winter 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jan: OBAG 4/TOC ad hoc discussion</li><li>Jan: OBAG 4 framework adoption</li><li><b>Feb: OBAG 4 guidelines, TOC evaluation framework</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Jan-Feb: CTA/stakeholders review draft OBAG 4 guidelines</li><li>Mar: MTC/CTA review and initiate OBAG 4 county calls for projects</li></ul>

# OBAG 4 County Program

## Guidelines and Process

- Continue to partner with CTAs on county calls for projects
- Maintain longstanding policies, with targeted improvements
  - Focus investment in Transit-Oriented Communities (TOCs), in addition to Priority Development Areas (PDAs)
  - Simplify CTA evaluation criteria to emphasize local expertise
  - Extend CTA nomination deadline

## Call for Projects Schedule

Date	Milestone
February	Commission adopts guidelines
March	MTC initiates call for projects
Spring	CTAs conduct calls for projects
Summer	CTA evaluation and prioritization
October	CTA nominations due to MTC
Fall	MTC final evaluation
Early 2026	Commission awards projects

## Programming

- \$41 million for CTA base planning and implementation
  - Inclusive of OBAG 3 advance

# OBAG 4 County Program (Cont.)

County	CTA Base Planning	County Target Share	Illustrative County Award*	North Bay Augment Target**	Illustrative County Total
Alameda	\$5.4M	20.3%	\$64.8M	-	\$70.1M
Contra Costa	\$4.9M	13.6%	\$43.4M	-	\$48.3M
Marin	\$3.9M	2.9%	\$9.3M	\$1.25M	\$14.4M
Napa	\$3.9M	1.5%	\$4.8M	\$1.25M	\$9.9M
San Francisco	\$5.0M	14.8%	\$47.2M	-	\$52.2M
San Mateo	\$4.6M	9.5%	\$30.2M	-	\$34.8M
Santa Clara	\$5.8M	26.7%	\$85.3M	-	\$91.1M
Solano	\$3.9M	4.8%	\$15.3M	\$1.25M	\$20.4M
Sonoma	\$3.9M	5.9%	\$18.7M	\$1.25M	\$23.8M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$41.0M</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>\$319.0M</b>	<b>\$5.0M</b>	<b>\$365.0M</b>

\*Targets do not guarantee shares for any county; idealized scenario amounts shown for reference only

\*\*Regional program funds administered through the county call for projects

# OBAG 4 Regional Program

Category and Goal Area	Amount
<b>Planning and Implementation:</b> Carry out OBAG 4 programs and other performance-based planning and programming activities	\$40M*
<b>Growth Framework:</b> Assist local efforts to create a range of housing options that align with Plan Bay Area growth geographies	\$35M
<b>Environment:</b> Reduce transportation emissions and protect and enhance open space	\$90M
<b>Complete Streets:</b> Maintain and improve local streets and roads for all users, with a focus on safety and equity	\$35M
<b>Multimodal Network:</b> Improve mobility options and services across the multimodal system, emphasizing transit transformation	\$115M
<b>Set-Asides:</b> incentivize and reward TOC implementation progress, address unique transportation and land use needs in North Bay	\$50M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$360M</b>

*\*Current programming recommendation, inclusive of OBAG 3 advance*

# Staff Recommendation

## Revise the OBAG 3 and 4 programs (MTC Resos 4505 and 4740)

- Establishes OBAG 4 **program guidelines**, including specific policies for the county and regional components
  - County program call for projects process and requirements
  - Regional program categories, goal areas, and initial funding levels
- Programs OBAG 4 funds for **planning and implementation** activities by CTAs (\$41 million) and MTC (\$40 million)
  - Includes \$31 million in advanced programming previously approved for these activities in October 2025