

One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) Overview and Key Considerations

Programming and Allocations Committee

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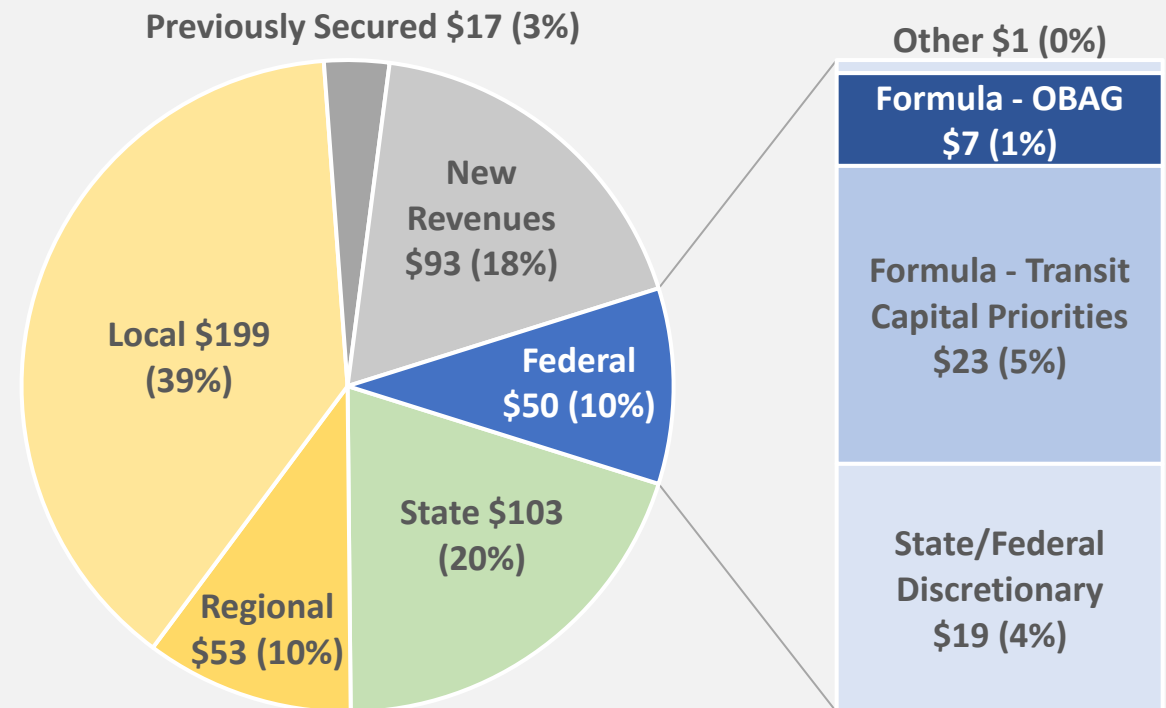
OBAG Funding

OBAG Funding Sources

- Federal highway formula programs:
 - Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP)
 - Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (STP)
- OBAG 3 (FY 2023-26) provides approximately \$190 million per year

Regional Transportation Funding

Plan Bay Area 2050+ estimates (2025-50) in billions



OBAG 3 Structure

***Purpose:** leverage federal discretionary funds to advance integrated transportation and land use goals of Plan Bay Area*

County Program (50%)

- Funds local priority projects that support regional goals
- Partnership with County Transportation Agencies (CTAs)
- Focuses transportation funding in growth areas

Regional Program (50%)

- Implements regional priority projects and programs
- Offers targeted local grant opportunities
- Supports regional goals related to land use, climate, equity, and access

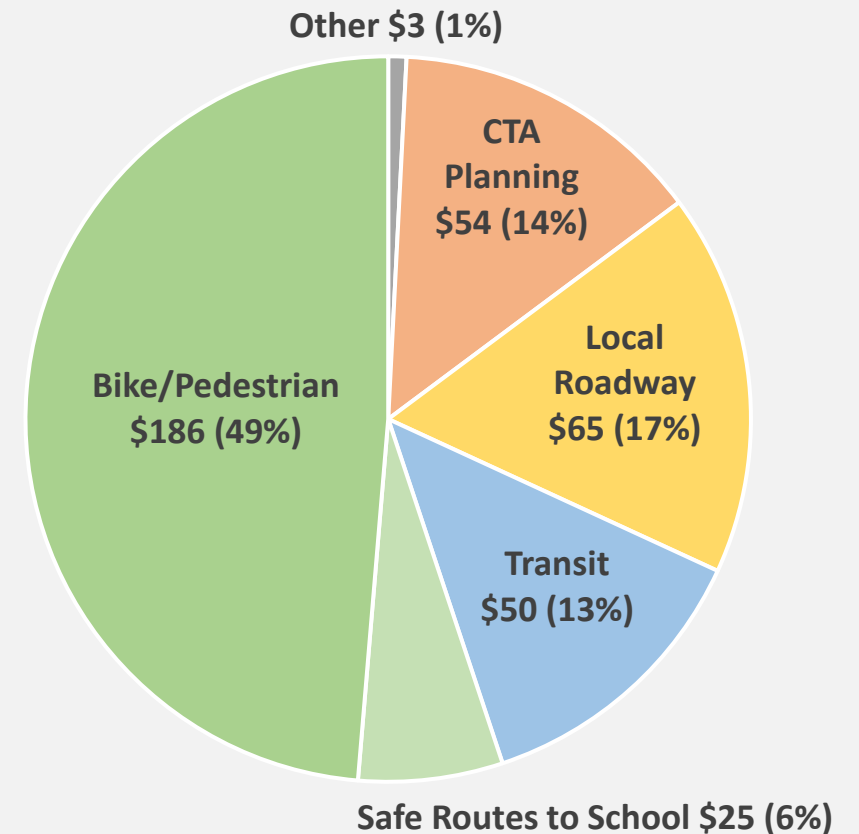
OBAG 3 County Program

Highlights

- 90% of projects support Priority Development Areas (PDAs)
- Over 50% of projects are active transportation improvements
 - Bicycle and pedestrian capital projects
 - Countywide Safe Routes to School outreach and education programs
- Over \$200 million invested in Equity Priority Communities (EPCs)

Projects by Primary Mode

Amounts in millions



OBAG 3 Regional Program

Highlights

- Support for integrated transportation and land use planning
- Expanded investments in safety, equity, and climate
- Transit Transformation Action Plan implementation

Regional Program Category	OBAG 3	Other Sources
Planning and Implementation	\$51M	\$12M REAP
Regional Growth Framework	\$30M	\$58M REAP
Climate, Conservation & Resilience	\$97M	\$60M CRP
Complete Streets & Community Choice	\$54M	\$3M REAP
Multimodal Systems	\$163M	\$24M REAP
Totals	\$394M	\$157M Other

- New and one-time funding programs complement OBAG 3 regional framework
 - Regional Early Action Planning (REAP)
 - Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)
 - Primarily awarded to local projects

Regional Program Highlights

Example Projects

- Climate Initiatives
 - Parking Management
 - Mobility Hubs
 - Transportation Electrification
- Growth Framework
 - Priority Development Area planning
 - Priority Production Area planning
 - Priority Conservation Area improvements
- Multimodal Improvements
 - Transit Signal Priority
 - Mapping and Wayfinding
 - Bikeshare expansion

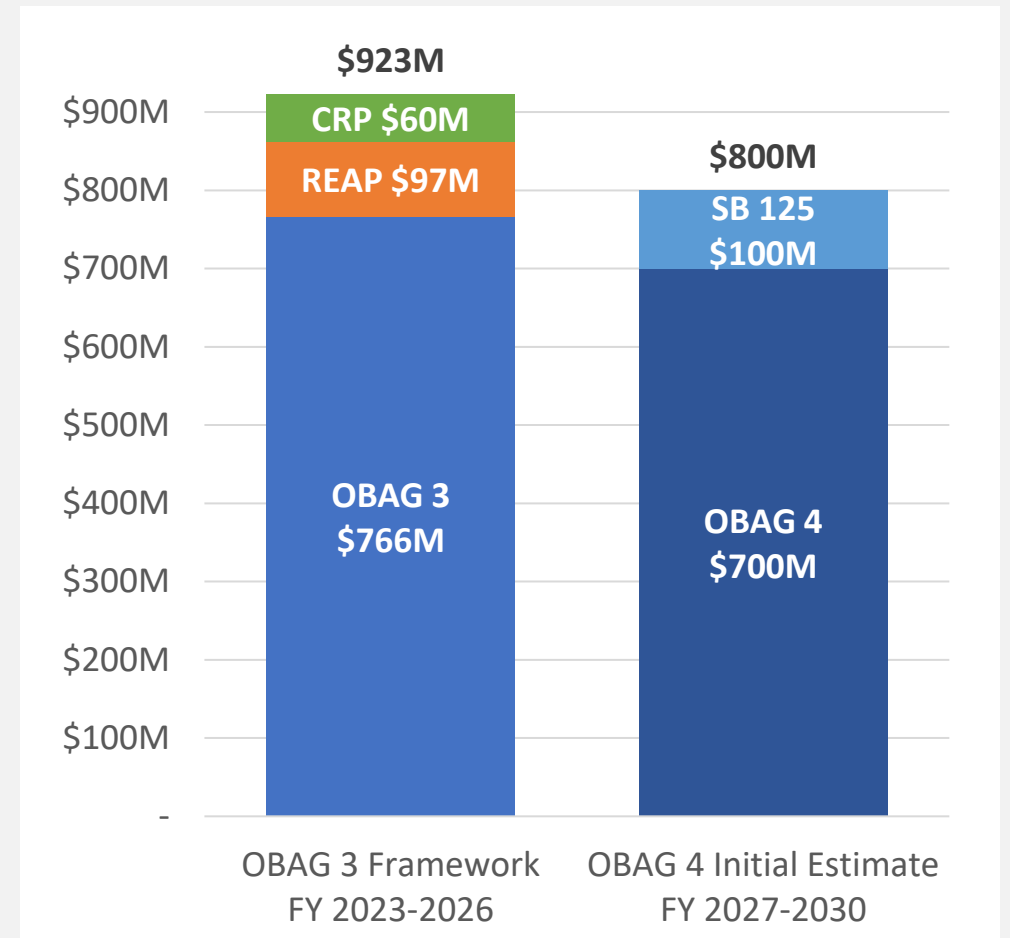


OBAG 4 Capacity

Key Considerations

- Future funding uncertainty
 - Dependent on federal surface transportation reauthorization
 - Assumes constant STP/CMAQ apportionment at 2026 levels
- Smaller funding framework
 - \$100 million OBAG 4 capacity committed to transit operations for SB 125 regional contribution
 - No complementary fund sources assumed during OBAG 4 period

Initial Estimate



Initial OBAG 4 estimate for planning purposes only

Transit-Oriented Communities (TOC) Policy

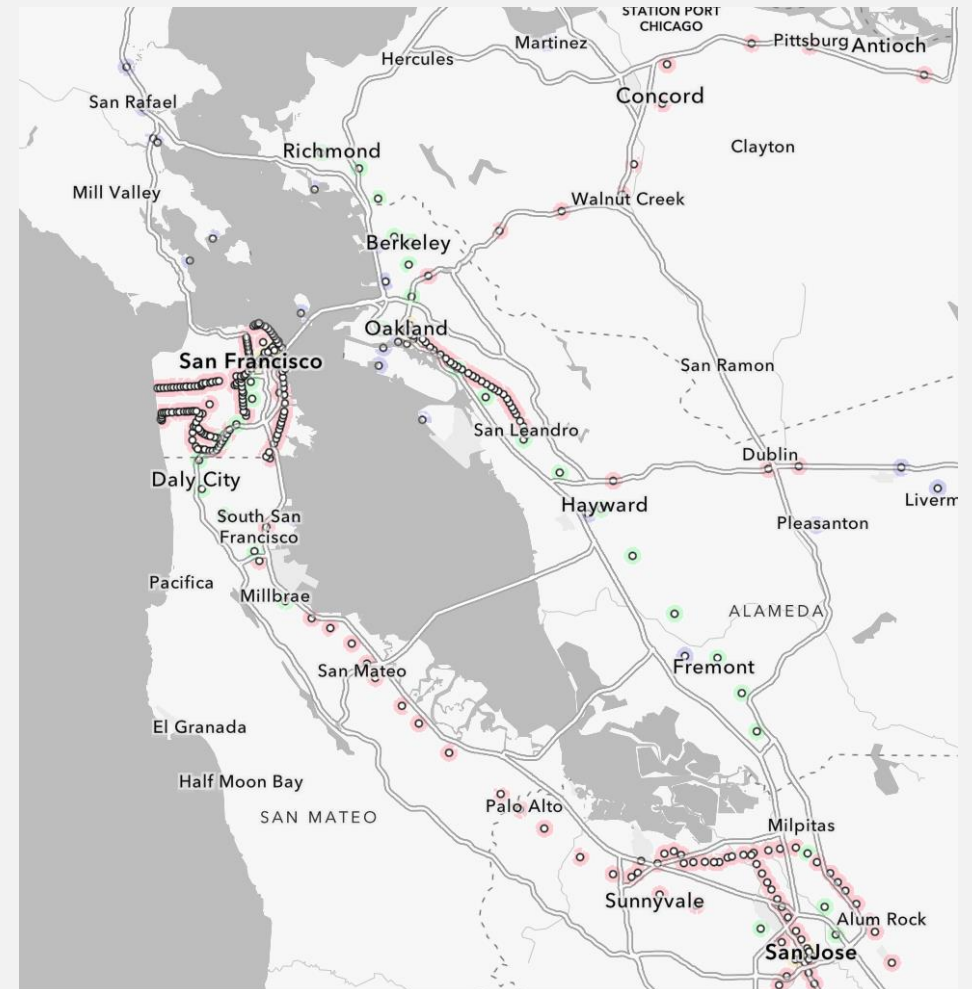
Summary

- Adopted September 2022
- Incentivizes jurisdictions to plan for affordable housing and accessible transit hubs

OBAG 4 Potential Features

- Compliance tiers establish OBAG 4 eligibility by jurisdiction
- Set-aside incentive for top tier jurisdictions
- Tier thresholds/requirements informed by ongoing outreach

TOC Area Snapshot



Additional information and full map: [link](#)

OBAG 4 Development Schedule

Fall 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Initiate partner outreach and introduce key considerations
Winter 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assess priorities and evaluate alternatives• Host CTA working groups
Summer 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft policies and continue partner outreach
Fall 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refine policies and complete final engagement
Early 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recommend policy adoption• Release county call for projects

Committee Items

- March 2025: OBAG overview and key considerations
- Fall 2025: OBAG 4 draft policy framework
- Early 2026: OBAG 4 final policy adoption