

OC TRANSIT VISION



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OVERVIEW

Travel in Orange County today is primarily by car, but what if you had more convenient and affordable transit options to get to work or enjoy a day out? OCTA is developing the OC Transit Vision to define the future of transit in Orange County. The Vision will take a high-level look at long-term transit needs throughout the County, which will include bus, rail, paratransit, and new types of transportation services. The OC Transit Vision will identify the corridors countywide with the greatest demand and potential and will assess which modes of high-capacity or premium transit, such as streetcar or bus rapid transit (BRT), may be appropriate for each corridor. Finally, the OC Transit Vision will prioritize the most immediately needed projects for near-term development.

BACKGROUND

OCTA provides vital transit services across Orange County. OC Bus serves 43 million passengers annually, the most of any Orange County transit provider. Bravo! comprises two rapid bus lines providing higher-quality service than local buses. The OC Streetcar, which will run from Santa Ana to Garden Grove, is scheduled to open late 2020 as the county's first urban rail line. OCTA also provides special event service, vanpools, and ACCESS service for people with disabilities.

In the coming decades, public transit is expected to play an increasingly important role in Orange County. Changes in demographics, environmental policy, and development will require additional transportation options for residents, employees, and visitors.

GET INVOLVED

Help OCTA shape the future of public transit in Orange County. Your ideas are essential to create a vision that serves the needs of our residents, employees, and visitors while reflecting the transit potential of Orange County. Stay involved and connected by signing up at www.octa.net/OCTransitVision



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PROJECT SCHEDULE

STATE OF OC TRANSIT

The State of OC Transit documents existing conditions of the transit system, evaluates future transit markets and provides statistics and trends that will help lay the groundwork to develop the vision for the next 20 years of transit in Orange County.

AUGUST 2016 – JANUARY 2017

INVESTMENT FRAMEWORK

The Transit Investment Framework will outline where and when it makes sense to invest in transit service. Grounded in the vision and goals, the investment framework will explore the land use, policy and funding supports needed to make transit work.

FEBRUARY – MAY 2017

TRANSIT PLAN

The OC Transit Vision will establish a long term vision for transit in Orange County. The plan will document operating, capital and programmatic priorities: funding and implementation strategies; and land use and other policies to support the growth of OCTA's transit services.

SEPTEMBER – DECEMBER 2017

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community engagement will occur throughout the project to guide the vision for transit in Orange County and ensure the plan meets the community's needs.

ONGOING

VISION & GOAL

A project vision, supported by goals and measures of success, will guide project decisions and recommendations, with input from the OCTA Board, the Citizens Advisory Committee, stakeholders and the community.

NOVEMBER 2016 – FEBRUARY 2017

TRANSIT OPPORTUNITY CORRIDORS

The Transit Vision will identify existing and future priority transit corridors and evaluate them for necessary investments. The project will explore potential modes of transit—rail, bus rapid transit, local bus—for each corridor along with capital projects that can make transit service work better.

APRIL – SEPTEMBER 2017

COMPLETE TRANSIT SYSTEM

To ensure the priority corridors are successful, the Transit Vision will identify approaches to integrating the many transit services in Orange County and develop recommendations to support first/last mile connections to transit. This will include recommendations for transit-supportive land uses as well as transit options for lower demand areas.

APRIL – SEPTEMBER 2017

