

ACCOMPLISHMENTS REPORT

KEEPING ORANGE COUNTY MOVING

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ABOUT OCTA

Serving the diverse travel needs of Orange County and its 34 cities, the Orange County Transportation Authority plans, funds and implements transit and capital projects to create a balanced and sustainable transportation system.

Established in 1991 through the consolidation of seven transportation agencies, OCTA is governed by a 17-member board of directors, with the Caltrans district director serving as the 18th member in an ex officio capacity.

With a \$1.7 billion annual budget, OCTA delivers OC Bus, OC ACCESS and OC Flex services through a workforce of 1,349 employees and 953 contracted personnel.

OCTA SERVICES & PROGRAMS

With a focus on continually improving Orange County's transportation system, OCTA delivers the following services and programs:

- Bus and rail transit
- Freeway improvements
- Street improvements
- Managing agency for the LOSSAN Rail Corridor
- Environmental programs
- Rideshare
- Active transportation
- Motorist services
- Administering Measure M, Orange County's local half-cent transportation sales tax
- Long-range & multimodal transportation planning



FORMER OCTA CHAIR MARK MURPHY

With deep sadness, the Orange County
Transportation Authority acknowledges the passing
of its former Chair Mark Murphy. His years of service
on the OCTA and Metrolink Boards left a lasting
impact and his commitment to transportation in
Southern California will be remembered.



The OCTA Board of Directors established three strategic initiatives in 2024, focusing on its mission to keep Orange County moving.

PROVIDE PUBLIC A BALANCED, SUSTAINABLE AND EQUITABLE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Supported free transit programs for youth and community college students, significantly reducing financial barriers and expanding access to public transportation, with ridership from these groups rising from 3% to nearly 20% of total bus riders.

Allocated \$42.4 million to support community-based transit programs, tailoring transit services to meet the unique needs of neighborhoods across Orange County, ensuring accessibility and mobility for all.

Approved the purchase of 50 new zero-emission buses, a key step toward OCTA's goal of a 100% zero-emission fleet by 2040, improving air quality for residents.

Achieved 90% completion on the I-5 South County Improvements Project, enhancing safety and reducing congestion with the near-finalization of Segment 2 from Oso Parkway to Alicia Parkway.

Enabled faster, more efficient travel with 16 million trips recorded on the 405 Express Lanes and up to 12 minutes of travel-time reductions in the regular lanes, improving mobility for tens of thousands of drivers daily.



SAFEGUARD FUTURE THROUGH FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Secured \$305 million in state and federal funding to advance immediate coastal rail stabilization efforts, ensuring the safety and resilience of one of the nation's busiest rail corridors.

Awarded more than \$10 million to help cities and the county prevent street pollutants from reaching waterways and the ocean.

Approved the Measure M Next 10 Plan, allocating \$5.6 billion for critical transportation improvements over the next decade, and updated the Measure M forecast, projected to deliver \$14 billion in infrastructure investments.

SUSTAIN ORGANIZATIONAL EXCELLENCE, COLLABORATION AND DIVERSITY

Acquired a new headquarters building projected to save taxpayers \$50 million over the next 30 years, reducing reliance on leased office space and ensuring long-term financial sustainability.

Hosted a summit that brought together more than 350 small and diverse business owners, fostering connections and creating new opportunities for growth.

Showcased OCTA's innovative infrastructure while hosting more than 2,500 attendees at the American Public Transportation Association's TRANSform Conference in Anaheim.



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