

**From:** VTA Board Secretary

**Sent:** Monday, January 6, 2025 1:39 PM

**To:** VTA Board of Directors

**Subject:** Invitation to the 1/13 Equity in Infrastructure Project (EIP) Pledge Event

Dear Board Members,

Please join the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and public agencies across the Bay Area to witness the signing of the national Equity in Infrastructure Project Pledge.

The Project exists to increase the number, size and proportion of contracts going to Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUBs) in the infrastructure space. This creates more competition for public contracts, saving taxpayer dollars and delivering better value for infrastructure investments while building generational wealth and reducing the racial wealth gap.

**The following organizations will be signing the EIP Pledge:**

- Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit)
- Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART)
- Caltrain
- Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District
- The Metropolitan Transportation Commission
- Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
- San Francisco Bay Ferry
- San Francisco International Airport (SFO)
- San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA)

We hope you can join us in this important step toward building a more equitable future in infrastructure development. Event details:

**WHAT:** EIP Pledge signing

**WHEN:** Monday, Jan. 13 @ 11 AM

**WHERE:** Milpitas BART Station

**Please reply to this email by Friday January 10 at 10 a.m. if you plan to attend.**

**Thank you.**

**From:** VTA Board Secretary  
**Sent:** Monday, January 6, 2025 1:47 PM  
**To:** VTA Board of Directors  
**Subject:** VTA Information: Ridership for November 2024

**VTA Board of Directors:**

Attached is a memorandum from Derik Calhoun, Chief Operating Officer, regarding VTA ridership for November 2024.

If you have any questions, please reply to this e-mail.

Thank you,

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Date: December 31, 2024  
Current Meeting: NA  
Board Meeting: January 9, 2025

## BOARD MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority  
Board of Directors

**THROUGH:** Carolyn M Gonot, General Manager/CEO

**FROM:** Derik Calhoun, Chief Operating Officer *DC*

**SUBJECT:** VTA Ridership – November 2024

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Policy-Related Action: NA

Government Code Section 84308 Applies: No

## INFORMATION ITEM

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

To present the bus and light rail ridership performance of the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN/GOALS:**

The report is an information item only.

### **BACKGROUND:**

This report is routinely produced after each month. This report is for the month of November 2024.

### **CLIMATE IMPACT:**

The report is an information item and will have no impact on climate change.

### **DISCUSSION:**

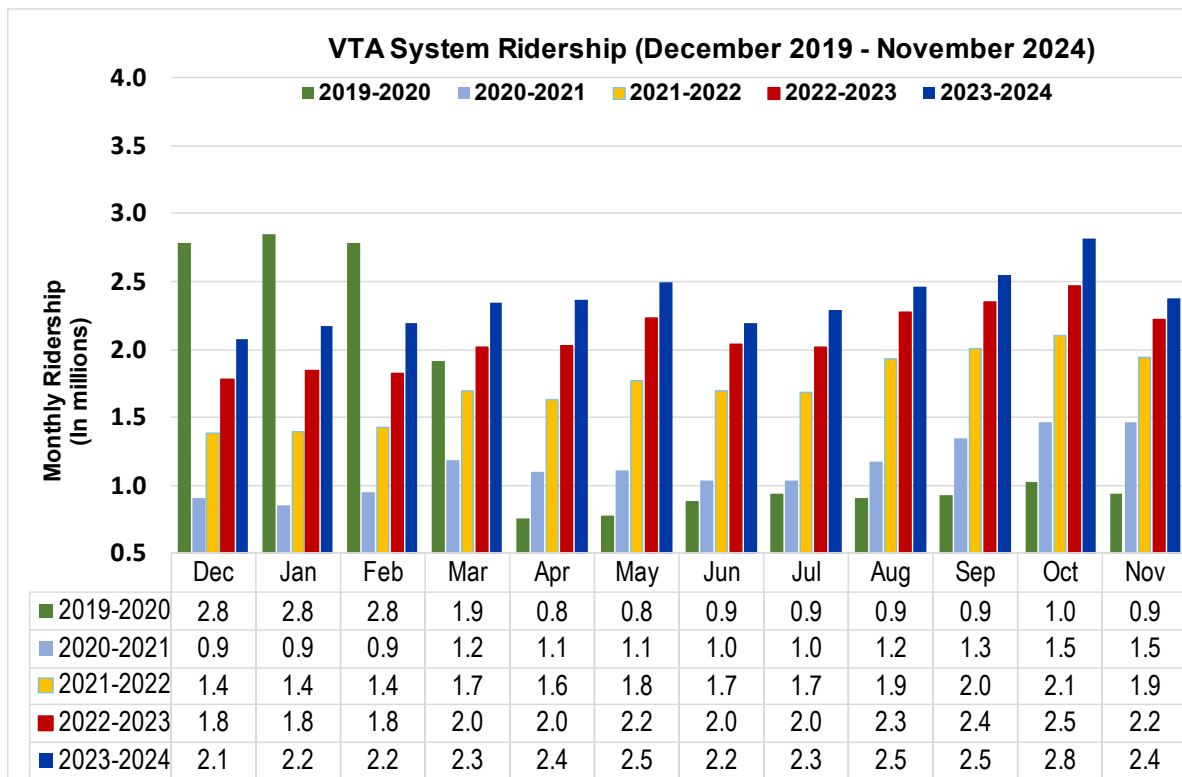
November 2024 total monthly system ridership was 2,379,467, an increase of 7.2% over November 2023. The total monthly bus ridership was 1,961,739, an increase of 5% over November 2023. The total monthly light rail ridership in November 2024 was 417,728, an increase of 19.5% over November 2023. The average weekday system ridership for November 2024 also increased by 8.1%. The Calendar year-to date (January 2024 through November 2024) system ridership (bus and light rail) was 26,244,275, an increase of 12.6% compared to the same period last year.

Levi's Events: There was one San Francisco 49ers game at the Levi's Stadium in November 2024 that recorded about 17,214 riders.

On November 5, 2024, free fare rides were offered for Election Day.  
 Extra service was provided on November 28, 2024, for the Annual Silicon Valley Turkey Trot.

VTA Ridership	Current (November 2024)	Prior year (November 2023)	Percent Change	Current (Jan'24-Nov'24)	Prior (Jan'23-Nov'23)	Percent Change
Bus	1,961,739	1,869,126	5.0%	21,755,870	19,217,279	13.2%
Average Weekday	77,574	73,344	5.8%	75,405	66,889	12.7%
Average Saturday	45,567	41,044	11.0%	43,852	39,032	12.3%
Average Sunday / Holiday	36,484	32,943	10.7%	37,132	32,653	13.7%
Light Rail	417,728	349,600	19.5%	4,488,405	4,085,314	9.9%
Average Weekday	15,733	12,974	21.3%	15,075	13,985	7.8%
Average Saturday	9,128	8,355	9.3%	9,008	9,752	-7.6%
Average Sunday / Holiday	11,485	8,745	31.3%	9,877	9,014	9.6%
System	2,379,467	2,218,726	7.2%	26,244,275	23,302,593	12.6%
Average Weekday	93,307	86,318	8.1%	90,480	80,874	11.9%
Average Saturday	54,695	49,399	10.7%	52,860	48,784	8.4%
Average Sunday / Holiday	57,753	41,688	15.1%	47,009	41,667	12.8%

The system ridership (Bus and light rail) in millions from December 2019 through November 2024 is presented in the chart below:



Note: Pre-pandemic data reflected in the chart for the months of December 2019 through February 2020 and a few days in March 2020. Mid-March 2020 onwards had impacts from COVID-19.

The boardings per total hour and boardings per revenue hour for bus and rail for November 2024 are shown in the table below:

	Boardings per Total hour <sup>1</sup>			Boardings per Revenue hour <sup>2</sup>		
	November 2024	November 2023	Percent Change	November 2024	November 2023	Percent Change
Bus	16.1	15.9	1.6%	17.2	16.9	1.7%
Light Rail	31.8	26.6	19.5%	34.1	28.4	20.1%

Total hours – Includes revenue hours and deadhead hours (hours that a vehicle travels when out of revenue service). <sup>2</sup> Revenue hours - Scheduled hours of service available to passengers for transport on the routes. Includes recovery/layover time.

**From:** VTA Board Secretary

**Sent:** Tuesday, January 7, 2025 2:44 PM

**To:** VTA Board of Directors

**Subject:** VTA Information: January 9, 2025 Board of Directors Regular Meeting Updated Agenda Packet

**Board of Directors:**

The VTA Board of Directors Agenda packet for the **Thursday, January 9, 2025** meeting has been updated to include additional information (materials and/or presentations) for the following items:

- **Agenda Item #5.1** -Committee Reports (*5.1.E Revised Report*)
- **Agenda Item #5.2** -General Manager Report (reports)
- **Agenda Item #6.2**- Transit Security Advisory Committee Appointments (*Revised Report*)
- **Agenda Item #7.4**- Second Amendment to Employment Agreement for General Manager Carolyn Gonot (*Report and Contract*)
- **Agenda Item #7.5** - VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project – December 2024 Update (Presentation)

You may access the updated outline/packet on [our agenda portal](#).

Thank you,

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**From:** VTA Board Secretary  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 7, 2025 4:18 PM  
**To:** VTA Board of Directors  
**Subject:** VTA Information: Weekly Eastridge to BART Project Update 010625

Weekly EBRC Project Update 010625

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# PROJECT UPDATE



*Top of bridge, preparing for concrete pour. [Photo: VTA/CC]*

**Eastridge to BART Regional Connector  
Weekly Construction Update  
Monday, January 6, 2025**

Happy New Year!

Work over the holiday was light. Activities were mainly kept to the continuation of the sanitary/sewer relocation.

We have experienced safety concerns over alleged gang activity, and unhoused individuals harassing staff and interrupting overnight construction activities. VTA met with San Jose Police Department (SJPD). SJPD will increase patrols to ensure the safety of the crews and public. SJPD arranged for off duty police officers to be present beginning Sunday evening. Off duty officers are not always going to be available. VTA is exploring having armed private security to ensure safety. SJPD has been added to this weekly update.

Safety is a top priority. Community members must stay out of the construction area for their own safety and the safety of the crews and VTA staff. Harassment of crew and staff working on this project will not be tolerated and police will be called to manage any threat to safety.

There has been a number of cars, and an RV permanently parked along S. Capitol Avenue @ Excalibur in the project right of way that are impeding the construction schedule. People are living in these vehicles. VTA is working with SCC Sheriff tow notices were issued on January 1. All individuals were contacted by Home First, service provider for unhoused, offering assistance services in advance of receiving a tow notice. Cars not moved after the 72 hours will be towed.

Weekly staff/contractor construction meetings resume this week, **Wednesday, January 8, 2025.**

*Moving Forward,*

The EBRC Community Outreach and Construction Team

**Anticipated, ongoing work through January 17, 2025**

Overnight activities to complete sanitary sewer are ongoing around Capitol Expressway/Capitol Avenue and Capitol Expressway/Story Road intersections. This work requires lane closures that cannot occur during the day.

Overnight activities to install rebar on frames 19, 18, 17, and frame 16. These are located on Capitol Expressway between Ocala Avenue and Story Road.

During the daytime, weather and conditions permitting, the following activities are ongoing:

- Concrete placement for the superstructure (Stem and soffit). Work is forming and pouring the base of the bridge (Frames 17 and 16), in the median of Capitol Expressway between Ocala Avenue and Story Road.
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- Concrete placement for the superstructure (Deck). Work is forming and pouring the top of the box girder (Frames 19 and 18), in the median of Capitol Expressway between Ocala Avenue and Story Road.
- Work will be conducted at all corners of the intersection of Capitol Expressway and Story Road, with activities taking place in front of the Chevron Gas Station, Auto Zone, World Oil Gas Station, and Capital Car Wash. Temporary Lane closures will continue to be implemented.
- Several activities, including street lighting, fiber optic cable, bioswale installation, curb and gutter, and roadway paving, continue at S. Capitol Avenue between Excalibur and Story until complete.
- Irrigation work, potholing, and other construction activities will occur on Capitol Expressway and Tully Road.
- Pile driving on the west side of Capitol Expressway north of Tully Road will occur.

### **Community Outreach**

Community outreach staff and MCM's CRO continue to address residential concerns regarding noise, pothole/tire damage claims, and coordinate activities with businesses.

### **Field Office on Capitol Expressway and Story Road**

- The Community Outreach Field Office is open on Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Fridays from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm, and by appointment.
- For questions or concerns, the public can contact the Community Outreach Office by calling (408) 321-7575 or via email at [community.outreach@vta.org](mailto:community.outreach@vta.org)

*\*\*\* We wish everybody a safe and Happy New Year! \*\*\**

The Construction and Engagement Team

If you have any questions, please contact VTA Community Outreach, [community.outreach@vta.org](mailto:community.outreach@vta.org), or call 408-321-7575.





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**From:** VTA Board Secretary

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 8, 2025 5:42 PM

**To:** VTA Board of Directors

**Subject:** VTA Information: January 9, 2025 Board of Directors Regular Meeting 2nd Update to the Agenda Packet

**Board of Directors:**

The VTA Board of Directors Agenda packet for the **Thursday, January 9, 2025** meeting has been updated to include additional information (materials and/or presentations) for the following items:

- **Agenda Item #5.2** -General Manager Report (presentation)
- **Agenda Item #7.2** - Adoption of the 2025 Advocacy Program for the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (Presentation)

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