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SFMTA logo



Cover graphic: the international icons for the twelve types of transportation in the SFMTA system (rideshare, paratransit, taxi, light rail, bus, walking, bicycling, bicycle share, driving, carshare, parking, and commercial vehicles) arranged in a half moon shape.

Background image: transportation options near Pier 39.

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The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) Fiscal Year 2013 - Fiscal Year 2018 Strategic Plan sets the direction for the Agency over the next six fiscal years and forms the basis for the Agency's two-year capital and operating budgets. Developed by the SFMTA Executive Team, this plan is a culmination of nearly a dozen forums with SFMTA staff from each division (Administration; Capital Programs & Construction; Finance & Information Technology; Safety, Training, Security & Enforcement; Sustainable Streets; and Transit) and key stakeholders representing transit customers, community, government, business, labor, and transportation service provider partners.

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The information gathered to create this document incorporates more than 1,000 comments from internet and telephone surveys, email messages, and workshop comments, including a strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats analysis, a review of local, regional, state, federal, and international policies and trends, and comparisons to peer organizations.

This document is version 1.0 of the six-year Strategic Plan. The Agency will update the plan every two years to inform development of the Agency's capital and operating budgets. Moreover, we will submit an annual report to the SFMTA Board each year to track and report on Agency progress and network performance.

FOREWORD

SFMTA Board Chairman Tom Nolan



Image: Tom Nolan

On behalf of the SFMTA Board of Directors, we adopt this Fiscal Year 2013-2018 Strategic Plan. We believe this plan sets the right course for our Agency and the city's transportation network. Since our directive to staff to develop the plan a year ago, the level of engagement and commitment by everyone involved has been very satisfying. We trust in the Director of Transportation to lead his team towards realizing our residents' vision and mandate when they voted to create the SFMTA: an integrated, multimodal transportation Agency delivering excellent customer service and providing great transportation choices for San Francisco.

We look forward to adopting Agency policies, budgets, projects and programs that will successfully deliver this plan. For us, that means we will continue to uphold the city's *Transit First* policy by improving transit service, improving walking and bicycling environments, improving taxi, carsharing and ridesharing partnerships and managing private automobile and parking demand.

It is our intent that this plan be the guiding document for all decisions regarding how we will move forward together. As a living document, it will be refined periodically over the next six years with regular reports to track progress towards the accomplishment of the goals. Although at times we will be challenged to make exceptions, we will look at the big picture impacts where those challenges arise. This means looking beyond the individual or isolated impacts of the project to assess the impact to the city's transportation system as a whole and the quality of life for residents, workers and visitors to the city.

Banner:

SFMTA Vision: San Francisco: great city, excellent transportation choices. SFMTA Mission Statement: We work together to plan, build, operate, regulate and maintain the transportation network, with our partners, to connect communities.

Director of Transportation Ed Reiskin



Image: Ed Reiskin

Our challenges are immense and there is no time like the present to tackle them. Our strategic vision lays the path for a very different SFMTA and transportation experience than the one we know today.

Imagine that six years from now... Our transit system, the backbone of our city's quality of life and economy, will provide fast and reliable access to our city and region, making it a great choice for getting around San Francisco. We will see our transit fleet upgraded to better accommodate the needs of families, seniors, and the disabled community. We will also see improved bicycling conditions so that a wider range of bicycle riders, from families to seniors, will choose the bicycle for everyday transportation. Walking in this great city will be safer and the public spaces that connect our neighborhoods will become more accessible. Taxis will be more convenient to use and connect people to where they want to go. Using technology more effectively, parking will be more rational and easier to find. Sharing of cars, rides, and bicycles will grow and provide greater access for many more residents, workers, and visitors who will choose to live in, work in, and visit the city. These services, combined with private shuttles, will meet more of our everyday transportation needs, freeing up more time to spend with family and friends. Using smartphone apps and social media, people will have better access to data that is meaningful and helpful. Information, payment, and reservations will be more integrated and customized to better meet your personal travel and business needs.

The next six years chart the course for a future of integrated of transportation choices that will improve the quality of life for us all. I will lead the SFMTA team to accomplish the goals in this plan and deliver the required actions. We will build a culture of innovation and collaboration with greater attention to customer service, project partnership and delivery, and team accountability. We will have better-trained staff and improved communications to support smart decision-making with greater transparency for our customers and partners.

While our challenges are great, so are the opportunities. We know we cannot realize this vision alone and we will need to strengthen our partnerships in the city, our region, and beyond to make this plan truly successful so that San Francisco becomes even greater through excellent transportation choices.

WHO WE ARE

The San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA) is a unique organization. Created in 1999 through a voter initiative to combine the former Municipal Railway (Muni) and Department of Parking and Traffic (DPT), this resident-led change to the City Charter was designed to create an integrated transportation agency to manage the city's streets more effectively in support of the *Transit First* policy. Since then, the Agency has continued to evolve through the merger with the Taxi Commission in March 2009 and the establishment of a direct reporting relationship with the San Francisco Police Department's traffic enforcement detail. This evolution has created a comprehensive agency that oversees the movement of people and goods on city streets to enhance the economy, environment, and quality of life.



Graphic: The twelve types of transportation (walking, public and private transit, paratransit, taxi, driving, commercial, parking, carshare, rideshare, bicycle share, and bicycle) in the SFMTA system arranged in a circle around the SFMTA logo.

WHAT WE DO

The SFMTA plans, designs, builds, operates, regulates, and maintains one of the most diverse transportation networks in the world. In addition to the four modes of transportation (transit, walking, bicycling, and driving, which includes private vehicles, taxis, carsharing, and commercial vehicles), the Agency directly oversees five transit modes (bus, trolley bus, light rail, historic streetcar, and cable car), in addition to overseeing paratransit service, which serves individuals unable to use fixed-route transit service. The SFMTA also partners with regional transit operators who connect the city

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with the region using four additional transit modes (heavy rail (BART), commuter railroad, regional bus, and ferry).

In addition to being an operator and regulator, the SFMTA has a robust planning, design, and construction function that includes reviewing all proposed land use developments with our partners; planning, designing, and building the transportation modal networks (transit and paratransit, streets, signals, bicycle, pedestrian, taxi, commercial delivery and loading); and providing long-range forecast analyses of the fleets, facilities, and right-of-way infrastructure in the city and their relation to the region.

The SFMTA also oversees on- and off-street public parking and manages it to complement the policy objectives of this *Transit First* city. Last but not least, the Agency creates and enforces rules on the city's streets, transit system, and parking. Combined, these efforts make an all-in-one transportation agency that directly impacts the daily life of everyone who moves about the city.

OUR CORE VALUES

As the transportation agency for the one of the most dynamic cities in the world, our values reflect the city we serve. We hold these values:

For the Transportation Network:

- *Transit First*: Transit, walking, bicycling, taxi, carsharing, and ridesharing have the highest priority
- Complete and Green Streets: Streets are designed and managed to be attractive, inviting public spaces for people
- Green, Clean, and Quiet Mobility: Use greenest, most efficient, and quietest technologies available
- Social Equity and Access: Prioritize the most affordable and accessible modes

For Our Team:

- Leadership: Realizing and implementing the vision to the fullest
- Teamwork: Working together in partnership to provide excellent customer service
- Integrity: Working with the highest standards of honesty and ethics
- Accountability: Taking joint responsibility to set and meet or exceed the Agency's goals
- Effectiveness: Achieving results through collaboration and efficient use of resources
- Respect: Holding those with and for whom we work in high esteem and regard

Focus Area	Issues	Opportunities
System/ City/ Region Walking	 Projected 25% increase in jobs and 15% increase in population by 2035; more seniors, fewer families with children Funding, particularly federal and state, is declining Local and regional funding becomes more important to finance our capital and operational needs Insufficient resources to operate and maintain the transportation system and to address state-of-good-repair and expansion needs Different modes are not integrated, systems are hard to navigate and require separate payment Mixed traffic, circling, and double parking slows down transit, taxis, and deliveries Electric vehicle parking demand impacts public garages Population aging 	 Better linkages between transportation and smart land uses can create efficiencies in future development New funding sources and new funding partnerships can help meet growing needs New technology and good planning will allow integration of all modes, customer information, and payments Dedicating lanes and spaces for shared mobility can be effective City is positioned to be greater voice in regional, state, and federal forums Transportation system can benefit from zero- and low-emission vehicles Public support to implement best
	 Demand for walking increasing Most collisions are preventable Traffic speeds not compatible with land uses in key locations 	 Fublic support to implement best practices in street design and the Mayor's Directive on Pedestrian Safety Technology applications for speed enforcement and education Infrastructure support for walking is cost-effective

KEY ISSUES AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR SYSTEM, CITY AND REGION

Focus	Issues	Opportunities
Area		
Transit	 Transit system safety Transit speeds lowest in the nation; vehicles are operating mostly in mixed traffic Peak crush loads mean people shifting back to auto, with some switching to bicycle and walking State-of-good-repair and major maintenance needs Existing vehicle fleet is difficult for families to use and needs major overhaul Many stops not fully accessible 	 New technology and educational opportunities to improve system safety Ability to speed transit and increase reliability through cost-effective measures like dedicated transit lanes, all-door boarding, stop spacing, and signal priority tools Upcoming fleet replacement cycle Public support to prioritize the funding of mission-critical assets to ensure the preservation of a safe and reliable system Capital and operations funding through development agreements
Bicycling	 Interest in bicycling is growing; mode share expected to double in next five years Bicycle network connectivity is fragmented Limited bicycle parking supply 	 Expanding bicycle infrastructure is cost-effective: lanes, parking facilities, signals and marketing yield high returns Bike sharing provides cost-effective access for inner-urban trips Business community is open to bicycle parking as prudent customer strategy
Parking	 Parking is not efficiently used and creates congestion through double parking and circling; results in slower transit speeds Residential parking is not consistent across city Disabled placard abuse is compromising access to parking spaces for the disabled community Demand for parking for family vehicles is increasing State Vehicle Code limits best practices in parking management 	 New technologies make it easier to find and pay for parking Demand-responsive parking pricing Parking maximums and California's Parking Cash-Out Law provide incentives for <i>Transit First</i> modes Growing support to amend the State Vehicle Code to allow flexibility in local parking management and better parking management strategies across the state

Focus	Issues	Opportunities
Area		
Taxi/ Carshare/ Rideshare	 Demand for taxis not being met Improved collaboration is needed for carshare/vehicleshare growth Shuttle and ridesharing providers need expanded coordination and partnerships with city 	 Public support to identify the number of taxis needed in the city and improve taxi services Growth of carshare and vehicleshare usage leads to the reduction of single occupant automobile trips Ridesharing and regional shuttles
		can mitigate regional traffic coming to the city

STRATEGIC PLAN FRAMEWORK AND RELATED PLANS

The development of this Strategic Plan is the first attempt to integrate and create consistency with all the plans the Agency develops or contributes to. The U.S. Department of Transportation requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to create long-range transportation plans as prioritization documents for how state and federal funds will be programmed. These plans also include policies and performance outcomes. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), the Bay Area's MPO, is responsible for the development of the Regional Transportation Plan. Recent passage of California Senate Bill 375 requires regional planning agencies in California to partner with each other to develop a Sustainable Communities Strategy to integrate a region's housing, employment, transportation and energy needs. The SFMTA used the strategic planning process as an opportunity to draw from these guiding principles and policies of the regional, state, and federal agencies and develop this six-year Strategic Plan.

In addition to the regional plans, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA) is the designated congestion management agency for the city and, in coordination with the SFMTA, develops the 25-year long-range transportation plan for the city and county. The SFMTA and SFCTA are collaborating on the development of the San Francisco Transportation Plan, drawing heavily from regional planning efforts, demographic projections and local long-term land use development plans. Lastly, the Agency develops internal multimodal and modal mid- and long-range plans for transportation capital and operational needs. The Capital Plan provides an unconstrained prioritization of capital needs and filters projects based on performance criteria. The five-year Capital Improvement Program includes those multimodal capital needs that can be delivered in that funding timeframe.



Figure 1: Relationship between the FY 2013- FY 2018 SFMTA Strategic Plan with other regional and SFMTA plans

Figure 1: graphic showing how the 6-year Strategic Plan relates to the other planning documents for the SFMTA: The Coordinated Regional Plans (the Regional Transportation Plan, the Sustainable Communities Strategy, the San Francisco Transportation Plan, the San Francisco Climate Action Plan, and the SFMTA 25-year Capital and Operating Plan) were developed concurrently by Bay Area planning agencies and each have informed the development of the FY 2013 – FY 2018 SFMTA Strategic Plan. The development of the Strategic Plan now starts a closed loop cycle of planning within the SFMTA that leads to the development of the 5-Year Capital Improvements Program, the development of Initiatives and Actions for the Agency, the 2-year capital and operating budgets, the annual division work plans, the annual SFMTA staff

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individual work plans, and finally to the Annual Mobility Report.

The six-year Strategic Plan is a workplan to meet the mid- and long-term goals of the Agency and is the basis for the two-year capital and operating budgets to meet the strategic goals and objectives. This integration is a first for the Agency and forms the basis for ensuring that the two-year capital and operating budgets support the strategic goals and objectives. Once these capital and operational budgets are approved, each division within the Agency will use the budgets to prioritize work products and include performance measures for each employee through a performance evaluation plan. Each division will have a unique role to play and lead elements of the Strategic Plan. This framework provides a continuous link from the employee to Agency policy to ensure consistency and accountability at all levels.

The framework for this new plan focuses on a new vision and mission for the Agency and the goals and objectives needed to achieve this vision. The development of strong strategic goals and objectives with specific targets and timeframes guides SFMTA divisions to develop and own initiatives and actions as part of the two-year budget.

The elements included in this Strategic Plan are defined as follows:

- Vision: What we, as a city, want to be by fiscal year 2018
- Mission: What the SFMTA does
- Goals: Key areas on which to focus Agency efforts to achieve our vision
- **Objectives:** Specific ways the Agency can accomplish the goals
- **Performance Indicators, and Targets:** How the Agency will track implementation of the Strategic Plan

VISION, MISSION, GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The new vision for the SFMTA identifies what we want to be as an agency and as a city by the end of the next six years, allowing the SFMTA to better address its broadened responsibilities, opportunities, and challenges over this timeframe. Developed by the SFMTA Executive Team, the vision and mission statement are intended to be powerful statements to guide the Agency. Our new vision statement conveys our commitment to enable a range of choices in how to get around the city with the *Transit First* policy as our key directive. Rather than try to list every positive outcome, we wanted a simple statement to convey our vision to motivate our staff, our stakeholders, and the public as a whole.

Our concise mission statement will guide staff to meet the vision. The key element in this statement is "work together," as we are currently an amalgamation of different work cultures and functional areas and teamwork will be essential to achieving our goals. Adding "with our partners" recognizes that the SFMTA cannot do it alone and that the city's transportation network is dependent on agencies and stakeholders at the local, regional, state, and federal levels. There is also an opportunity to partner with businesses

and other stakeholders to create new opportunities. Lastly, "connect communities" is the outcome, the reason why we operate and maintain the transportation network.

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Strategic Goals:

We developed the strategic goals through a process led by the SFMTA Executive Team, with input from SFMTA staff and external stakeholders to determine the most important areas to focus our future efforts. From the initial surveys with the general public and a focused strengths, weakness, opportunities, and threats (SWOT) analysis, five key themes consistently emerged as needing the most attention. These were: 1. Customer service (for all modes); 2. Communications (internal and external); 3. Transportation network improvements (all modes); 4. Financial sustainability (operating and capital); and 5. Organization development (human resources). These key themes evolved into the four overarching goals for the Strategic Plan that will shape how the Agency focuses its attention, resources, and staff.

The four goals are:

- 1. Create a safer transportation experience for everyone.
- 2. Make transit, walking, bicycling, taxi, ridesharing, and carsharing the preferred means of travel.
- 3. Improve the environment and quality of life in San Francisco.
- 4. Create a workplace that delivers outstanding service.

The following section provides an overview of each goal, the objectives that relate to that goal, the key performance indicators that serve as proxies for measurement, and the targets to measure progress towards each goal. This feedback loop of information, evaluation, and corrective measures is designed to provide the necessary information to meet the vision and intent of this Strategic Plan.



Left image: cyclist passing taxi queue. Right image: wheelchair user using the lift to board the bus

Goal 1 Create a safer transportation experience for everyone

The safety of our system, its users, and our employees is of the utmost importance to us. Creating a safer transportation experience for everyone means a secure and comfortable system for users of all transportation modes and SFMTA programs, as well as safe facilities and vehicles and areas in which to work.

Over the next six years, the SFMTA will work to accomplish this goal through programs and initiatives like meeting the Agency's goals for achieving a state-of-good-repair for our fleet and facilities, expanding safety training programs for our employees, reducing walking, bicycle, transit, taxi, and auto incidents and accidents, and working with our colleagues and city partners to reduce crime on and near our transit system. The three objectives listed below are the main areas in which we will focus our efforts and resources. Each objective is tied closely to the others, and only with a consistent and continual effort made in each area will the SFMTA achieve the goal of a safer transportation system for everyone.

Objective 1.1: Improve security for transportation system users.Objective 1.2: Improve workplace safety and security.Objective 1.3: Improve the safety of the transportation system.

The performance indicators listed below are the key measures that will indicate how the SFMTA is performing with respect to this goal. We will monitor and manage many other measures to provide a comprehensive picture of how we are doing in terms of safety.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	FY 2014	FY 2016	FY 2018
	TARGETS	TARGETS	TARGETS
OBJECTIVE 1.1: # of SFPD-reported	Achieve	Achieve	Achieve
transit system-related crimes (i.e. assaults,	10%	10%	10%
thefts, etc.)/100,000 miles	reduction in	reduction in	reduction in
	incidents	incidents	incidents
	each budget	each budget	each budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle
OBJECTIVE 1.2: # of Workplace	Achieve	Achieve	Achieve
injuries/200,000 hours (100 FTEs)	10%	10%	10%
	reduction in	reduction in	reduction in
	incidents	incidents	incidents
	each budget	each budget	each budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle
OBJECTIVE 1.3: # of preventable Muni	Achieve	Achieve	Achieve
collisions/100,000 miles	10%	10%	10%
	reduction in	reduction in	reduction in
	incidents	incidents	incidents
	each budget	each budget	each budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle



Left image: group using the elevators to access the Muni subway platforms Right image: a group of crossing guards with signs

Goal 2

Make transit, walking, bicycling, taxi, ridesharing & carsharing the preferred means of travel

The SFMTA is committed to making non-private auto modes of transportation not just a viable option, but the preferred means of travel in San Francisco. As we look towards the future and estimate the growth of the city and the Bay Area region, we realize that we need to increase mobility for our residents, workers, and visitors without relying on private automobiles. Driving will be a necessary choice for many people at certain times; however, we will start to see more people choose a car-free or reduced-car-use lifestyle using the various modes. Also, for people who do need to drive, we will endeavor to make it easier to find and pay for parking.

The objectives listed below pinpoint key areas that the SFMTA is committed to improve. Specifically, the SFMTA will continue to implement the Transit Effectiveness Project, the Van Ness Bus Rapid Transit Project, the launch of the bikeshare pilot, and the continued construction of the Central Subway. In addition to these large-scale projects, the SFMTA will work with its city partners and community advocates to complete the Bicycle Plan and implement the Better Streets policy with specific neighborhood transportation improvement projects.

The SFMTA is also committed to doing our part to make San Francisco more inviting to live in, work in, and visit without needing or wanting to use a private vehicle. Over the next six years, the Agency will investigate innovative programs like promoting the use of ridesharing and shuttles, prioritizing neighborhood parking, improving taxi use, and exploring transit vehicle interior designs to accommodate family needs like strollers, infants, groups, groceries, and luggage.

Objective 2.1: Improve customer service and communications.

Objective 2.2: Improve transit performance.

Objective 2.3: Increase use of all non-private auto modes.

Objective 2.4: Improve parking utilization and manage parking demand.

The performance indicators listed below are the key measures that will indicate how the SFMTA is performing with respect to this goal. We will monitor and manage many other measures to provide a comprehensive picture of how we are doing in terms of *Transit First*.

KEY PERFORMANCE	FY 2014	FY 2016	FY 2018
INDICATORS	TARGETS	TARGETS	TARGETS
OBJECTIVE 2.1: Customer rating:	Establish	Establish	Establish
Overall customer satisfaction; Scale of 1	baseline and	baseline and	baseline and
(low) to 5 (high)	improve	improve	improve
	satisfaction	satisfaction	satisfaction
	rating by 0.5	rating by 0.5	rating by 0.5
	point each	point each	point each
	budget cycle	budget cycle	budget cycle
OBJECTIVE 2.2: Percent of trips that	Eliminate	Eliminate	Eliminate
have less than a 2-minute spacing	bunches and	bunches and	bunches and
between vehicles by line and route on	gaps for 25%	gaps for 45%	gaps for 65%
the Rapid Network ("bunches"); percent	of ridership	of ridership	of ridership
of trips where gaps in service exceed			
scheduled headway by more than 5			
minutes by line and route on the Rapid			
Network ("gaps")			
OBJECTIVE 2.3: Mode Share	n/a	n/a	FY 2018
			Mode split
			goal - Private
			Auto: 50%
			Non- private
			auto: 50%
OBJECTIVE 2.4: % average	Maintain 75%	Maintain	Maintain
occupancy of public metered parking	- 85% range	75% - 85%	75% - 85%
spaces (SF <i>park</i> areas and SFMTA	of occupancy	range of	range of
garages)	in SF Park	occupancy in	occupancy in
	areas	SF <i>park</i> areas	SF Park
			areas

Goal 3 Improve the environment and quality of life in San Francisco

One of the keys to a good quality of life is access to a green, clean, efficient, affordable, and cost-effective transportation system. With the inclusion of this goal in the Strategic Plan, the SFMTA is committed to understanding the needs of those that use the system.

We will allocate our resources more effectively and reduce our structural deficit while maintaining a transportation system that will provide more reliable connectivity for people and businesses.

The SFMTA is already one of the nation's leaders in the reduction of transportationrelated greenhouse gas emissions (CO2e). In conjunction with the San Francisco Department of the Environment, we will continue our programs to further reduce emissions and resource consumption through the expansion of the biofuels program, reducing the emissions of non-revenue vehicle fleets, and identifying greener choices for private vehicles. We are further committed to meeting the needs of San Francisco residents and businesses, whether it is facilitating workers and customers to and from their businesses via an integrated multimodal transportation system or through judicious use of curb markings and marked loading zones to allow deliveries to be made efficiently. Overall, we are dedicated to the financial sustainability of the SFMTA and the environmental and economic sustainability of San Francisco as a whole.

Objective 3.1: Reduce the Agency's and the transportation system's resource consumption, emissions, waste, and noise.

Objective 3.2: Increase the transportation system's positive impact to the economy.

Objective 3.3: Allocate capital resources effectively.

Objective 3.4: Deliver services efficiently.

Objective 3.5: Reduce capital and operating structural deficits.

The performance indicators listed below are the key measures that will indicate how the SFMTA is performing with respect to this goal. We will monitor and manage many other measures to provide a comprehensive picture of how we are doing in terms of enhancing San Francisco's environment and quality of life.

KEY PERFORMANCE	FY 2014	FY 2016	FY 2018
INDICATORS	TARGETS	TARGETS	TARGETS
OBJECTIVE 3.1: Annual metric tons	n/a	n/a	25% below
of CO2e for the transportation system			1990 levels
			by 2017 for
			the system
OBJECTIVE 3.2: Customer rating:	Establish	Establish	Establish
Business community satisfaction with	baseline and	baseline and	baseline and
transportation network's ability to meet	improve	improve	improve
their needs; Scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high)	satisfaction	satisfaction	satisfaction
	rating by	rating by	rating by
	0.5 point each	0.5 point each	0.5 point each
	budget cycle	budget cycle	budget cycle

KEY PERFORMANCE	FY 2014	FY 2016	FY 2018
INDICATORS	TARGETS	TARGETS	TARGETS
OBJECTIVE 3.3: % of projects	Establish	Establish	Establish
delivered on-time and on-budget by	baseline and	baseline and	baseline and
phase	reach 10%	reach 10%	reach 10%
	improvement	improvement	improvement
	over baseline	over baseline	over baseline
	each budget	each budget	each budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle
OBJECTIVE 3.4: Average annual	5% reduction	5% reduction	5% reduction
transit cost per revenue hour	in fully	in fully	in fully
	allocated	allocated cost	allocated cost
	cost of transit	of transit	of transit
	service	service	service
	per budget	per budget	per budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle
OBJECTIVE 3.5: Operating and	Make	Close	Close
capital structural deficit	progress	operating and	operating
	towards	mission	structural
	closing	critical capital	deficit and
	operating and	structural	mission
	mission	deficit by at	critical capital
	critical	least 50%	deficit
	capital		
	structural		
	deficit		

Goal 4

Create a workplace that delivers outstanding service

The creation of the SFMTA in 1999 combined Municipal Railway and the Department of Parking and Traffic into one transportation agency. With the addition of the Taxi Commission ten years later, the SFMTA is in the unique position of directing the entire transportation system in San Francisco. However, the combination of these once separate entities has also challenged us to come together as one agency to create a range of excellent transportation choices. In order to deliver outstanding services, the SFMTA must create a collaborative and engaging work environment that trains, encourages, and supports its staff at all levels, while holding each other and the Agency accountable.

We are committed to investing in our workforce and will initiate a variety programs to promote a collaborative organizational culture across SFMTA facilities and divisions. We will also improve communications with our colleagues and our external stakeholders, hold our employees accountable with meaningful performance planning and evaluation, and recognize and celebrate our high-performing employees. With approximately 5,000 employees, the SFMTA workforce is one of the Agency's major assets and we will work to come together as a stronger team over the next six years.

Objective 4.1: Improve internal communications.

Objective 4.2: Create a collaborative and innovative work environment.

Objective 4.3: Improve employee accountability.

Objective 4.4: Improve relationships and partnerships with our stakeholders.

The performance indicators listed below are the key measures that will indicate how the SFMTA is performing with respect to this goal. We will monitor and manage many other measures to provide a comprehensive picture of how we are doing in terms of making the SFMTA a great, productive, and effective place to work.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	FY 2014	FY 2016	FY 2018
	TARGETS	TARGETS	TARGETS
OBJECTIVE 4.1: Employee rating: Do	Establish	Establish	Establish
you feel you have the information you	baseline and	baseline and	baseline and
need to do your job? Do you feel	improve	improve	improve
informed about Agency issues, challenges	satisfaction	satisfaction	satisfaction
and current events?	rating by	rating by	rating by
Scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high)	0.5 point	0.5 point	0.5 point
	each budget	each budget	each budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle
OBJECTIVE 4.2: Employee rating:	Establish	Establish	Establish
Overall employee satisfaction.	baseline and	baseline and	baseline and
Scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high)	improve	improve	improve
	satisfaction	satisfaction	satisfaction
	rating by	rating by	rating by
	0.5 point	0.5 point	0.5 point
	each budget	each budget	each budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle
OBJECTIVE 4.3: % of employees with	100% of	100% of	100% of
performance plans prepared by start of	employees	employees	employees
fiscal year	with	with	with
	performance	performance	performance
	plans at the	plans at the	plans at the
	start of the	start of the	start of the
	fiscal year	fiscal year	fiscal year

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	FY 2014	FY 2016	FY 2018
	TARGETS	TARGETS	TARGETS
OBJECTIVE 4.3: % of employees with	100% of	100% of	100% of
annual appraisals based on their	employees	employees	employees
performance plans	with annual	with annual	with annual
	performance	performance	performance
	appraisals	appraisals	appraisals
	completed	completed	completed
	and	and	and
	submitted to	submitted to	submitted to
	Human	Human	Human
	Resources by	Resources by	Resources by
	completion	completion	completion
	of fiscal year	of fiscal year	of fiscal year
OBJECTIVE 4.4: Stakeholder rating:	Establish	Establish	Establish
Satisfaction with SFMTA decision-	baseline and	baseline and	baseline and
making process and communications.	improve	improve	improve
Scale of 1 (low) to 5 (high)	satisfaction	satisfaction	satisfaction
	rating by	rating by	rating by
	0.5 point	0.5 point	0.5 point
	each budget	each budget	each budget
	cycle	cycle	cycle

MONITORING AND EVALUATION OF THE PLAN

The Strategic Plan will serve as the foundation on which we will develop specific policies, programs, and projects over the course of the next six years. We will develop initiatives and actions for the next two years in conjunction with the operating and capital budgets in Spring 2012. This process will be repeated at each budget cycle, with the initiatives and actions changing as needed to take into account the progress made towards meeting each objective listed in the Strategic Plan. These initiatives and actions will inform the divisional and individual workplans for each section of the Agency. This closed loop process will lead to full accountability at all levels and the achievement of our goals.

SFMTA staff will also assess each decision brought to the Board for conformance with the Strategic Plan. The section in the SFMTA Board Calendar Item template will be revised to fully describe how the project, policy, or contract directly advances the goals of the Strategic Plan and outline the impact of the proposed actions in meeting the Strategic Plan's targets.

A key tool in evaluating the progress made towards meeting the Strategic Plan's targets will be the Annual Mobility Report released after the end of each fiscal year. The first of these scorecards will be published in July 2012 to set the baseline for future analysis. In addition to the annual report, the Agency will produce quarterly reports on the key indicators in order to more effectively focus resources throughout the year.



Top image: Children and adults with bicycles.

Bottom image: Pedestrians crossing King Street in front of a T-Third light rail vehicle.

MOVING FORWARD

We are excited and optimistic as we move forward to implement this Strategic Plan. San Francisco is a great city and will become more so with transportation choices that meet the needs of its people. We are honored to be able to move San Francisco in this direction, and look forward to working with you all to make it happen.

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Cover graphic: the international icons for the twelve types of transportation in the SFMTA system (rideshare, paratransit, taxi, light rail, bus, walking, bicycling, bicycle share, driving, carshare, parking, and commercial vehicles) arranged in a half moon shape.

Background image: Cyclists and runners using a path with the Golden Gate Bridge in the background.