



## Measure A: It's time to finish the job.

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#### MEASURE A: 1/2 CENT MASS TRANSIT SALES TAX

- Connect BART to Milpitas, San Jose, Santa Clara;
- Build rail connection from San Jose International Airport;
- New vehicles for disabled access, senior safety, clean air buses;
- New light rail throughout Silicon Valley;
- Expand, electrify Caltrain;
- Increase rail, service;

Shall the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority enact a one-half cent sales tax for 30 years beginning 4/1/06 when the current tax expires, with annual audits published in local newspapers and an independent citizens watchdog committee?





#### We Support Measure A:

California Taxpayers' Association, and Santa Clara County Taxpayers' Association founder Murphy Sabatino\*

California State Automobile Association

Numerous Chambers of Commerce, including: San Jose/Silicon Valley, Santa Clara, Milpitas, Mountain View, Japanese American, Portuguese, Hispanic, Vietnamese-American, and Black Chamber of Commerce

Major employers, including:

Hewlett Packard, Intel, Cisco, Apple, Lockheed-Martin, Applied Materials and many others
\*Individual's titles are for identification purposes only.

Environmental groups and leaders like: Greenbelt Alliance, Santa Clara County Open Space Authority Founder-Jerry Estruth\*, Former Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter Conservation Chair-Barry Boulton\*, and Peninsula Conservation Center Coordinator-Pat Showalter\*

Public Safety organizations such as:
San Jose Firefighters Local 230,
Police Officers Research Association of
California, Santa Clara County Correctional
Peace Officers Association, Association of
Retired Police Officers and Firefighters, San
Jose Police Officers Association, and County
Sheriff Laurie Smith

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YES! I believe	it's time	for	<b>Traffic</b>	Relief	Now
It is time for I	Measure	A.			

To help on Measure A efforts, I will: (please check all that apply):

- ☐ Invite a speaker to my community group
  - Volunteer in campaign headquarters
- Make phone calls
- ☐ Contribute \$\_\_\_\_

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Address:

Phone\* (Day)

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Occupation\*

Employer (name of business if self-employed)

Work Address\*

Signature

\*If you are making a donation, this information is required by law.

Contributions or gifts to Taxpayers for Traffic Relief Now are not deductible for federal income tax purposes.

#### Clip and Mail This Card to:

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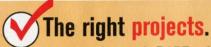






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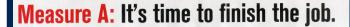
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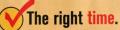
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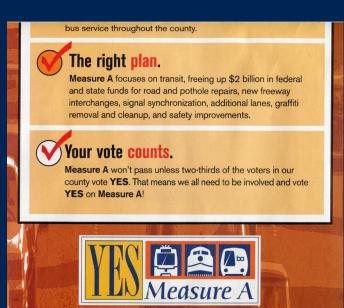


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### **True Traffic Relief**

Measure A allows more than \$2 billion to be spent on road repairs and highway improvements. Here are just some of the projects the Valley Transportation Authority has committed to funding with state and federal funds if Measure A is approved:



Nearly \$1 billion for highways



Nearly \$250 million to improve county expressways



\$220 million for local streets and roads



\$450 million for pothole repair and street maintenance in all 15 cities and towns in Santa Clara County, as well as county roads



\$90 million for bicycle improvements, pedestrian projects and livable communities



\$100 million for signal synchronization and timing



\$20 million for graffiti removal and cleanup

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#### Connects BART To Santa Clara County

Measure A extends BART from Fremont to Milpitas, San Jose and Santa Clara, with stops at San Jose State and Santa Clara Universities. The extension will move 78,000 daily commute trips out of their stalled cars and onto BART cars, easing congestion on Montague Expressway and highways 680, 880, 280, 101 and 237.

### Links Transit with the San Jose International Airport

Measure A builds platform-toplatform rail links to connect BART, Caltrain and Light Rail directly to the airport-giving passengers and employees alike a low-cost, lowhassle alternative to our crowded highways.

### Expands and Speeds Up CalTrain

Measure A increases the speed

of Caltrain, and adds more service by doubletracking the line and electrifying the system from Gilroy up the Peninsula, easing congestion on Highways 101, 85 and 280.

#### **Builds Light Rail Extensions Countywide**

Measure A extends the current light rail system with two new lines into East San Jose and the Evergreen Valley. In addition, Measure A fully funds two additional light rail lines to meet future traffic needs and commute patterns. The two potential new lines funded through Measure A will be selected from the following options: Sunnyvale/ Cupertino, Santa Teresa /Coyote Valley, Stevens Creek, West San Jose/Santa Clara, Palo Alto.

### Expands and Improves Commuter Bus Service

Measure A increases the current bus fleet from 525 to 750 buses. Plus it replaces the entire dieselfueled fleet with zero emission vehicles for cleaner air and a healthier environment.

### Increases Service for Seniors and Disabled Persons

Measure A ensures that all of the BART, Caltrain

and Light Rail cars, as well as the entire bus fleet, are fully accessible to seniors and disabled persons. In addition, expanded hours and areas of service will improve access for everyone.

### Provides a System of Express Buses

Measure A greatly increases express bus servi e to link neighborhoods throughout the county with Silicon Valley's major employment, education, entertainment and retail centers.

#### **Builds a Regional Rail Network**

Measure A takes cars off of the road by expanding our regional rail system. Measure A adds trains and service to the popular Altamont Commuter Express (ACE) line, and funds train service across the Dumbarton Bridge.

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