

Friday, October 3, 2025

Redwood City Main Library 1044 Middlefield Rd, Redwood City, CA 94063



Program

8:30 - 9:00 AM Breakfast

9:00 - 9:10 AM Welcome by CA Sen. Josh Becker

9:10 - 9:20 AM What is Move Bay Area?

9:20 - 10:25 AM Visionary Panel

10:25 - 10:40 AM Bay Area Council Study Sneak Peak

10:40 - 11:30 AM Group Discussions

11:30 - 11:45 PM Share-outs

11:45 - 12:30 PM Keynote Interview - CA Sen. Scott Wiener

12:30 - 1:10 PM Lunch

1:10 - 2:30 PM West Bay Solutions & Successes Panel

2:30 - 2:45 PM Final Remarks

2:45 - 3:00 PM Evaluation Survey



Welcome by



Senator Josh Becker CA-13

Senator Josh Becker is a public policy innovator working at the nexus of community activism, technology and social justice. Elected to the State Senate in November 2020, Senator Becker represents the residents of California's 13th Senate District, which comprises most of San Mateo County and the northern part of Santa Clara County. Josh has long been a champion in pushing businesses to create social good. He founded Full Circle, supporting Bay Area nonprofits and civic leaders, co-founded New Cycle Capital to build socially responsible businesses, and was the CEO of Lex Machina, focusing on bringing openness and transparency to the law. Senator Becker is a 20-year resident of Menlo Park, where he lives with his wife, Jonna, their two children, Leo and Aaron, and the family dog, Percy.

Moderated by



Chris Lepe
Founder & Principal,
Mariposa Planning
Solutions

Chris Lepe has over 20 years of experience advancing equity and climate protection in transportation and urban planning, including 15 years with Transform and five years leading his consulting firm, Mariposa Planning Solutions. He serves on Urban Habitat's Board of Directors, is active in efforts to protect San Jose's Berryessa Flea Market from transit-oriented displacement. Chris holds a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from San Jose State University and a B.A. in Environmental Studies from UC Santa Cruz. These days, Chris spends his time and passion outside of work raising his eight-year-old "mini-me", gardening, swimming, and organizing family hikes and camping trips.



Dana Weissman
Principal,
Fehr & Peers

Dana Weissman is a Principal at Fehr & Peers - a transportation consulting firm based in the Bay Area. Dana's multimodal planning work reflects her passion for roadway safety, active travel, and access to parks and open space. Dana enjoys collaborating with engineers, architects, epidemiologists, and other stakeholders to build consensus around preferred investment strategies that achieve the unique goals of each community. In addition to her project work, Dana currently serves as President of the WTS San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, supporting the advancement of the local transportation industry. Dana lives with her family in San Francisco and enjoys getting everywhere by bicycle, taking advantage of all the outdoor adventures the city has to offer.

Keynote Speaker



Senator Scott Wiener CA-12

Senator Scott Wiener has been a leading voice for accessible, sustainable transportation since his time on the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. He co-authored SB 1, California's largest transportation funding measure, generating \$5 billion annually for road repairs and transit investments, and successfully advocated to triple funding for public transit and bike/pedestrian infrastructure. He has authored legislation to improve safety for cyclists, pedestrians, and transit riders, and to enable congestion pricing and automated speed enforcement. Currently, he is co-authoring SB 63 with Senator Jesse Arreguin to place a historic regional transportation funding measure on the 2026 ballot.

Interviewed by



Julie Lind

Executive SecretaryTreasurer/ Executive
Officer, San Mateo County
Central Labor Council

Julie Lind, a fourth-generation union member, has led the San Mateo Labor Council since 2016 after joining in 2010. The Council represents 104 unions and over 95,000 members countywide. Julie also serves as Co-Chair of the AFL-CIO's State Federation/CLC Advisory Committee, Vice President of the California Labor Federation, and Chair of the San Mateo County Union Community Alliance. She sits on the UC Berkeley Labor Center and Labor Occupational Health Project advisory boards, as well as the Trades Introduction Program (TIP San Mateo) Steering Committee. She holds a B.A. in English and an M.P.A. from San Jose State.

Bay Area Council Study Sneak Peak



Emily Loper
Senior Vice President
of Public Policy, Bay
Area Council

Emily Lubin Loper is Senior Vice President of Public Policy at the Bay Area Council, where she leads the transportation portfolio. Since 2014, she has helped secure billions in transit funding, including \$5 billion in state funding in 2023 and \$4.5 billion through Regional Measure 3 in 2018. She has advanced regional ferry expansion and supported innovative transportation technologies. Previously, she has worked for Senator Dianne Feinstein in Washington, DC, and Supervisor David Chiu in San Francisco. Loper holds an M.P.A. from USC and a B.A. in Political Science and International Relations from UCLA. An East Bay native, she lives in Oakland with her husband and two children.

Panelists VISIONARY TRANSPORTATION, CLIMATE & HEALTH



David Canepa
President,
San Mateo County
Board of Supervisors

David Canepa was elected to the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors in 2016, and currently serves as President. A fourth-generation county resident and former Daly City Mayor, he champions bold initiatives to address climate change, expand public transportation, tackle the housing shortage, and promote health, safety, and equity for children, families, and older adults. In addition to his county leadership, Supervisor Canepa serves on several regional boards and commissions, including the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Caltrain, the San Mateo Medical Center, the Behavioral Health Commission, and the Commission on Aging, where he advances community-focused solutions.



Adina Levin
Executive Director
Seamless Bay Area

Adina Levin is Executive Director for Seamless Bay Area, a nonprofit focusing on bringing about a convenient, riderfocused, equitable public transportation system. She cofounded Friends of Caltrain, a nonprofit organization that supports the successful modernization of Caltrain in the context of an integrated system of sustainable transportation. She is the Chair of the Regional Network Management Customer Advisory Group and serves on the MTC Policy Advisory Council. She has co-founded multiple for-profit and nonprofit organizations. She is locally active on housing affordability with Peninsula for Everyone and Menlo Together.



Benjamin McMullan
Systems Change Advocate
Center for Independence
of Individuals with Disabilities

Benjamin McMullan moved to the Bay Area seventeen years ago to be closer to his two older brothers. In addition, he always knew he needed to live in a region with reliable public transportation in order to lead a full and independent life. He is the Systems Change Advocate at the Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities, which serves San Mateo County. In this role, he organizes people with disabilities to advocate for systemic change at the local, state, and federal levels. Ben serves as the chair of the Paratransit Advocacy Council and is a member of both the SamTrans Advisory Council and the Caltrain Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Panelists VISIONARY TRANSPORTATION, CLIMATE & HEALTH



Laura Neish
Executive Director
350 Bay Area
350 Bay Area Action

Laura Neish is the Executive Director of 350 Bay Area and 350 Bay Area Action. After a long career in strategic management consulting, Laura left the corporate world to pursue her passion: addressing injustice. Because the changing climate amplifies injustice everywhere, it was a natural fit to join 350 Bay Area to work on getting real climate solutions passed. Laura has long volunteered with community organizations, and in her spare time, she spends time outdoors, frequently with her adult daughter.



Alicia Trost
Chief
Communications
Officer at BART

Alicia Trost (she/her) is the Chief Communications Officer at BART. While overseeing all communication fronts at BART, she also champions cross-functional teamwork to implement transformational improvements to the customer experience. Trost is passionate about being on the leading edge of the transit industry's approach to communication, public engagement, and storytelling to tenaciously showcase its value to riders, taxpayers, and policymakers. She is a risk-taker who loves to create moments of joy for transit riders. Trost commutes by train and brings the voice of BART riders into the boardroom and all executive decisions.



Panelists WEST BAY SOLUTIONS & SUCCESSES



Michelle Bouchard

Executive Director,
Caltrain





Tilly Chang

Executive Director

San Francisco County

Transportation Authority

Tilly Chang is Executive Director of the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, which plans, funds, and delivers projects to improve travel choices citywide. She oversees administration of San Francisco's half-cent transportation sales tax and other voter-approved funding, and leads countywide congestion management, including development of the San Francisco Transportation Plan. Beyond her local leadership, she serves as Vice Chair of the Intelligent Transportation Society of America and sits on advisory boards for UC ITS, UC Berkeley Civil and Environmental Engineering, and SF Self Help for the Elderly.



Panelists

WEST BAY SOLUTIONS & SUCCESSES



Rosanne Foust
President & CEO,
SAMCEDA

Rosanne Foust is President & CEO of the San Mateo County Economic Development Association (SAMCEDA), where she leads cross-sector partnerships to strengthen the regional economy. She has championed major projects including Caltrain Electrification, High Speed Rail, Highway 101 Managed Lanes, and funding measures like Measure W and Measure RR. During the pandemic, she directed over \$20 million in relief to 1,500+ small businesses. A former Redwood City Councilmember, Rosanne also serves on numerous regional boards and is a Senior Fellow with the American Leadership Forum. Her leadership has earned her induction into the San Mateo County Women's Hall of Fame and recognition from the Silicon Valley Business Journal, San Francisco Business Times, and elected officials at every level.



Jeff GeeRedwood City
Councilmember

Jeff Gee is a four-term Councilmember representing District 1 in Redwood City and has twice served as Mayor. He currently chairs the SamTrans Board of Directors, serves on the Caltrain Joint Powers Board, and leads the Transbay Joint Powers Authority Board. In addition to public service, Jeff sits on several nonprofit boards, is a Trustee at Palo Alto University, and a past-Chair of the San Mateo County Chamber of Commerce. He also heads Swinerton Management & Consulting, guiding program and construction management services nationwide, and recently became Dean of APPA's Planning, Design and Construction track.



Dominica Henderson SFMTA Board Director

Dominica Henderson is Chief Social Impact Officer for the Oakland Housing Authority, overseeing housing subsidy programs and resident services for more than 17,000 households. With over 20 years in housing policy and leadership roles at three housing authorities, she has advanced innovative strategies to improve public housing and foster thriving communities. Previously, she worked on HOPE SF and as a Legislative Aide in San Francisco's District 5. Dominica serves on the NAHRO Legislative Network Advisory Committee and the boards of Teachers Rooted in Oakland and the SFMTA. She holds degrees from Wellesley College and the Harvard Kennedy School.

Our Partners

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Our mission is to build a grassroots climate movement in the Bay Area and beyond to eliminate carbon pollution and achieve a clean energy future with racial, economic, and environmental justice.



Act Now Bay Area mobilizes volunteers to meet critical needs across the region, partnering with trusted nonprofits to advance equity, justice, and resilience for communities impacted by poverty, displacement, and systemic barriers.



The Center for Independence of Individuals with Disabilities (CID) in San Mateo is an independent living center whose mission is to support people with disabilities through advocacy, services, and systems-change to promote full, equal community integration and self-determination.



The San Mateo County Economic Development Association (SAMCEDA) supports, champions, recognizes and brings attention to the San Mateo County business community.



The San Mateo County Central Labor Council aims to empower working people and their families by promoting dignity, rights, and security through democratic engagement, collective bargaining, and community activism.



San Francisco Transit Riders (SFTR) is a rider-supported nonprofit focused on advocating for a better, greener, and more equitable public transportation system in San Francisco.



Our mission is to transform the Bay Area's fragmented and inconvenient public transit into a world-class, unified, equitable, and widely-used system by building a diverse movement for change and promoting policy reforms.



Transbay Coalition is a grassroots public transportation advocacy group championing bold near-term solutions to the Bay Area's regional transportation crisis.



Friends of Caltrain is a nonprofit advocacy organization dedicated to promoting and enhancing Caltrain services and public transit in the Bay Area through community engagement, education, and policy intitatives.



Corporations have too much power in our society.
We address this imbalance by harnessing grassroots volunteers, local leaders, and resources to help working people get a seat at the table.



The City of Redwood City is a San Francisco Bay Area community located in the heart of Silicon Valley, the technology-rich region extending from the San Francisco Peninsula to the foothills of the Santa Cruz Mountains.



The WTS San Francisco Bay Area chapter was founded in 1981 as a chapter of WTS International, and attracts, sustains, connects, and advances women's careers to strengthen the transportation industry.



Move Bay Area brings transportation, climate, and health leaders with community in-person to discover commonality and regional solutions to our transportation challenges with the goal of shaping a regional transportation vision together.

Find more information at www.movebayarea.org.

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What can be done to improve future events?	
What other transportation topics that bring the region together would you like to be covered in future events and would attend?	

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