

FULFILLING PROMISES, BUILDING A BETTER TOMORROW.



Overview

For more than 30 years, Measure M has been the major force behind transportation improvements in Orange County. Measure M is the one half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements first approved by Orange County voters in 1990 and renewed by voters in 2006. This renewal allows for continued investments in transportation that benefit the public and the local economy through 2041.

Measure M1: Promises Made, Promises Kept (1991-2011)

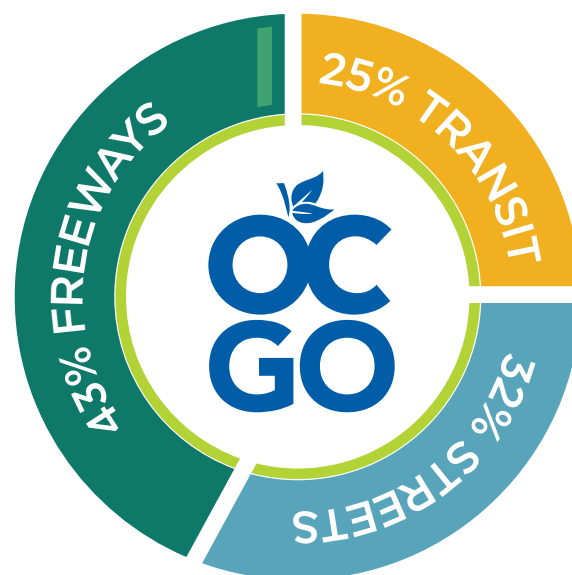
Through careful stewardship and strategic early action, Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) kept the promises made to the voters under the original Measure M (M1). More than \$4 billion worth of transportation improvements for Orange County were achieved over a 20-year period, including the widening of State Route 22 (SR-22) - a project not included in the original plan. As a result, M1 was responsible for adding 192 freeway lane miles, improving 170 intersections and 38 freeway interchanges, and implementing Metrolink service to Orange County.

Measure M2: Paving the Way for the Future (2011-2041)



On November 7, 2006, nearly 70 percent of Orange County voters approved the renewal of the one half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements. Measure M2 (M2), is anticipated to provide more than \$13.2 billion to improve transportation in Orange County over the 30-year period.

The M2 Transportation Investment Plan continues the same revenue allocations as M1 and reflects the varied interest and priorities inherent in the diverse communities of Orange County while also improving ocean water quality. In addition, a minimum of five percent of the M2 Freeway Program allocation is set aside for the Environmental Mitigation Program (EMP), which provides comprehensive (rather than piecemeal) mitigation of the environmental impacts from freeway improvements. The M2 Freeway EMP provides higher value benefits such as habitat protection, wildlife corridors and resource preservation in exchange for streamlined project approvals.

On September 25, 2017, the Board of Directors (Board) approved externally rebranding M2 as OC Go to promote OCTA's Measure M awareness and to avoid confusion with Measure M in Los Angeles County.



ENVIRONMENTAL

-  A total of 5% of OC Go Freeway Program funds is allocated to the Freeway Environmental Mitigation Program
-  A total of 2% of the overall OC Go Program funds is allocated to the Environmental Cleanup Program

ACCELERATION OF IMPROVEMENTS

Early Action Plan (2007-2012)

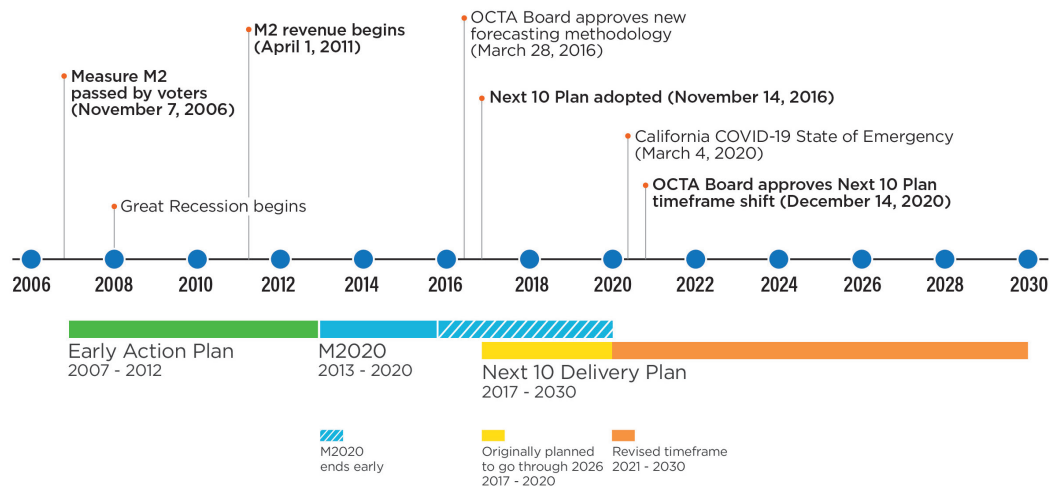
In 2007, the Board approved the Early Action Plan (EAP) to accelerate the implementation of M2, from 2007-2012. The EAP allowed M2 projects to start before sales tax was collected in April 2011. This ensured delivery of transportation benefits to Orange County sooner and with significant cost savings.

M2020 Plan (2012-2016)

With the successful completion of the five-year EAP in 2012, the M2020 Plan was developed to guide OCTA and M2 projects through 2020. The M2020 Plan was intended to deliver more than \$5 billion worth of transportation improvements, accelerating mobility relief to Orange County residents. Due to significant changes in sales tax revenue projections, the M2020 Plan was replaced after four years with the Next 10 Delivery Plan (Next 10 Plan).

Next 10 Delivery Plan (2016-2030)

In November 2016, the Board adopted the Next 10 Plan to set priorities and funding commitments over a ten-year period from fiscal year (FY) 2016-17 through FY 2025-26. This comprehensive and balanced plan was developed to ensure that the promises made in the 30-year M2 Transportation Investment Plan can continue to be delivered in concert with changes in economic conditions and revenue projections. In December 2020, the Board approved a shift of the Next 10 Plan timeframe to span FY 2020-21 through FY 2029-30.



SAFEGUARD AND OVERSIGHT

Built into M2 are taxpayer safeguards to ensure promises are fulfilled in a transparent manner. As such, an independent Taxpayer Oversight Committee upholds the integrity of the measure by monitoring the use of M2 funds and reviewing implementation progress. In addition, quarterly progress reports, annual audits, triennial performance assessments and ten-year reviews are required.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

The goal of M2 is to relieve congestion, improve street conditions, synchronize signals, expand Metrolink, reduce costs for seniors and persons with disabilities, and reduce transportation related air and water pollution. Significant progress continues with projects completing construction, projects in and advancing towards construction, as well as regular funding allocations to local jurisdictions through local programs. Some M2 highlights and milestones as of September 2021 include:

Freeway Program

- The M2 Freeway Program is made up of 30 project/ project segments:
 - 13 projects have been completed,
 - Ten in and advancing towards construction, and
 - Seven are in various stages of development.
- Over 629,000 services provided to assist motorists whose vehicles have become disabled on Orange County freeways and remove debris from traffic lanes to reduce freeway congestion and collisions.



Streets and Roads Program

- Over \$979 million invested in streets for transportation improvements through the streets and roads competitive and formula funding programs.
- More than 3,200 signals synchronized to improve traffic flow along 838 miles of Orange County roads.
- Seven bridges and underpasses constructed at high-volume streets and rail crossings as part of the OC Bridges program. These projects improved safety and removed delays from the freight trains passing along the Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Transit Programs

- Completed six rail corridor and station improvements to accommodate increased passenger train service.
 - Continues to subsidize Metrolink commuter rail service on three lines. Due to the pandemic, Metrolink is currently operating reduced service with 41 weekday and 16 weekend trains.
 - Enhanced 50 Orange County railroad crossings to provide safety enhancements for pedestrians and motorists.
 - Constructed the Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center (ARTIC) which connects OCTA bus service, Metrolink, Amtrak, shuttles, and other private/public transportation, as well as accommodates future high-speed trains.
- Construction on the OC Streetcar is underway and is anticipated to be operational in 2023. The OC Streetcar will travel 4.15 miles between the cities of Garden Grove and Santa Ana as it connects leisure, employment, and transit to the Santa Ana Regional Transportation Center.
- Over \$94 million provided for services to support seniors and persons with disabilities through the Senior Mobility Program, the Senior Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Program, and the Fare Stabilization Program.
- \$52 million awarded to fund community-based transit services that complement regional bus and rail services.
- \$3.1 million allocated to local jurisdictions to provide and improve passenger amenities at the 100 busiest transit stops in Orange County.



Environmental Programs

- Approximately \$55 million invested to provide comprehensive mitigation of environmental impacts of M2 Freeway Program. OCTA has acquired seven properties totaling more than 1,300 acres and funded 12 restoration projects to restore habitat on 350 acres of open space across Orange County.
- Over \$57 million awarded to local jurisdictions to implement water quality improvements to address urban runoff.
 - 199 Tier 1 projects have resulted in more than 45.3 million gallons of trash eliminated.
 - 22 Tier 2 projects are estimated to have an annual groundwater recharge potential of approximately 157 million gallons of water from infiltration or through pumped and treated recharge facilities.

Information as of 9.30.2021