

## Executive Summary

### New Name. Consistent Vision.

The Transportation for Sustainable Communities (TSC) Plan is an update of the Solano Transportation for Livable Communities (TLC) Plan, originally adopted in 2004. The intent of the TSC Plan remains the same – to strengthen the relationship between transportation and land use through the promotion of smart growth development and sustainable transportation projects in Solano County.

### Supporting Sustainability Initiatives

By creating communities that offer transportation options and encouraging development patterns that foster multi-modal transportation, the STA and partner agencies reduce dependence on single-occupant vehicle travel. The purpose of the TSC Plan is to provide details and justification to help the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) and its member agencies pursue and allocate funding to implement strategic projects and programs, which result in sustainable communities.

Sustainable communities are those that endure and improve over time, and do so as part of a larger network of communities. Sustainable communities are characterized by a balanced approach to improving the economy, environment and social fabric, and are adaptable to changing circumstances.



*Downtown Vallejo Streetscape Project*

### Vision

*Solano Transportation Authority seeks to provide a balanced transportation system to enhance the quality of life, support economic development, and improve accessibility for all members of the community by efficiently linking transportation and land uses utilizing multiple transportation modes.*

### Multiagency Collaboration for a Sustainable Future

The TSC Plan serves as a mechanism to enhance livability primarily through collaboration with local cities and the County of Solano. Through this collaboration and partnership, the TSC Plan informs planning and implementation of key transportation infrastructure projects that support sustainable land use development.

A Working Group was established to provide guidance for TSC Plan development. The Working Group included public works, transit and planning staff from each of the cities and the County of Solano. The Working Group was responsible for reviewing a series of memorandums prepared for the TSC Plan prior to presentation to the STA's Alternative Modes Policy Committee and both the STA Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committees. Participants of the Working Group were an integral part in fact-finding and data gathering for projects and planning activities within their jurisdiction.

### *Priority Transportation Projects Consistent with Regional and Local Initiatives*

Six goals with supporting objectives were developed to guide the selection of candidate projects. The TSC Plan presents 17 transportation projects for funding consideration. All projects were evaluated against objective prioritization criteria. Recent changes to transportation policy and funding now provide substantial opportunity for TSC project implementation. TSC aligns with regional initiatives including OneBayArea.

Although not required, TSC projects are typically located within a Priority Development Area (PDA). The PDA designation applies to areas of at least 100 acres where there is local commitment to developing more housing along with amenities and services to meet the needs of residents in a pedestrian-friendly environment served by transit. Nine PDAs have been established within Solano County as part of the FOCUS Program co-led by the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC). The cities of Benicia, Fairfield, Vacaville, Vallejo, and Suisun City have active PDAs. The Cities of Benicia, Dixon and Rio Vista are in the process of obtaining PDA designation for local opportunity areas. Chapter 6 presents the PDAs and Chapter 7 summarizes the candidate projects.



*Downtown Dixon*

### *2012 TSC Candidate Projects*

#### **Benicia**

*Benicia Intermodal Station*

*Benicia Industrial Park Transit Hub*

*Sulphur Springs Creek Trail Connectivity*

#### **Dixon**

*West 'B' Street Pedestrian/Bicycle Undercrossing*

#### **Fairfield**

*West Texas Street Gateway Project*

*Fairfield/Vacaville Intermodal Station*

#### **Rio Vista**

*Rio Vista Waterfront Improvements*

#### **Suisun City**

*Railroad Avenue Extension (Marina Blvd. to Main St.)*

*Lotz Way Bike and Pedestrian Improvements*

*Suisun Train Station: Safe Routes to Transit*

#### **Vacaville**

*Mason Street at Depot Street Road Diet-Bike/Pedestrian Improvements*

*Ulatis Creek Bike/Pedestrian Path (McClellan Street to Comstock Way)*

*Vacaville Transportation Center Phase 2*

*Allison/Ulatis Priority Development Area Bike/Pedestrian Improvements*

#### **Vallejo**

*Vallejo Station Parking Structure Phase B*

*Downtown Vallejo Streetscape*

*Sonoma Boulevard Corridor*