# **OC GO** (Also known as measure m)



#### AREA OF BENEFIT All 34 Orange County cities and the County of Orange

## **AT A GLANCE**

- FUNDING:
   Anticipated through 2041:

   OC Go
   \$14.0 billion

   State/Federal/Local
   \$3.9 billion
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### FUNDING BREAKDOWN



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



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#### VOTING FOR IMPROVEMENTS

Measure M1 delivered \$4 billion worth of transportation improvements between 1990 and 2011. Through early action and capitalizing on financial opportunities, more than \$1.2 billion in additional funds were leveraged for M1 improvements. After experiencing the success and progress of M1, nearly 70 percent of Orange County voters renewed the half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements in November 2006 for another 30 years to launch Measure M2. In 2017, Measure M2 was rebranded as OC Go. By the year 2041, OC Go is anticipated to generate approximately \$14.0 billion in sales tax revenues (supplemented with leveraged external revenue) for transportation improvements in Orange County. The OC Go Transportation Investment Plan targets improvements to Orange County freeways, streets and roads, transit and environmental programs. Taxpayer safeguards will ensure OC Go is delivered as promised.

#### FREEWAY IMPROVEMENTS

The OC Go Freeway Program receives 43 percent of OC Go net revenue. With major upgrades included for Interstate 5 in south Orange County, Interstate 405 in west Orange County, State Route 55 in central Orange County and State Route 91 in north Orange County, major chokepoints on almost every freeway will be improved. Additionally, the Freeway Service Patrol assists motorists with disabled vehicles and removes congestion-causing debris from traffic lanes. These projects will increase safety and mobility throughout Orange County.

OC Go Freeway program net revenues are also allocated to the Environmental Mitigation Program; more information is provided under the Environmental Programs section.

#### **STREET & ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

With more than 6,500 lane miles of streets and roads in Orange County, repair and rehabilitation is an ongoing challenge. OC Go allocates 32 percent of net revenues to streets and roads. These funds will help fix potholes, improve intersections, synchronize traffic signals, and separate rail and street traffic through new grade separations in key locations, making the existing network of streets safer and more efficient.

#### TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS

OC Go allocates 25 percent of net revenues to fund transit improvements. These funds invest in Orange County's Metrolink service, rail station and line enhancements, new transit extensions such as OC Streetcar, cost-effective solutions for seniors and persons with disabilities, establishment of local community circulators, and amenities at the county's busiest bus stops. OC Go ensures continued efforts to expand and deliver safe transit mobility options.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS

OC Go includes two unique environmental programs. The OC Go Environmental Mitigation Program allocates five percent of net freeway revenues to offset the environmental impacts of OC Go freeway projects through comprehensive open space land acquisition and habitat protection. This effort provides higher-value environmental benefits in exchange for streamlined freeway project approvals and ensures sensitive species are protected in their native habitat in perpetuity. In addition, two percent of gross OC Go revenues is allocated to the Environmental Cleanup Program to help improve overall water quality in Orange County from transportation-generated pollution.