

California BRT Projects

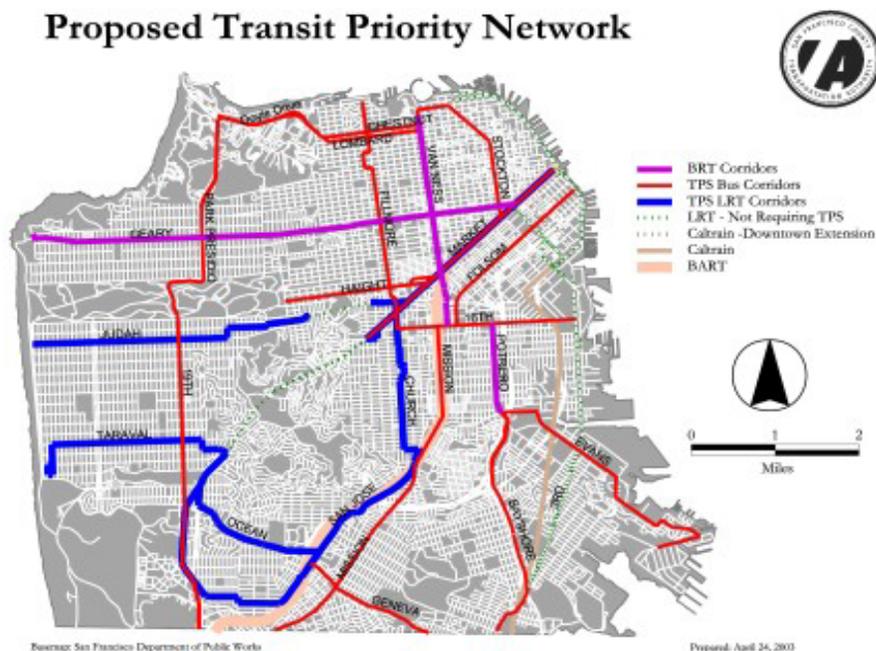
Fact Sheet

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Project Name: San Francisco Transit Priority Network, BRT component
Project Locations: Van Ness Avenue (US-101), Geary Blvd., and others tbd
Status: Van Ness: Alternatives development and evaluation (Dec 2004 – June 2005), draft final report (June 2005)
Geary Blvd.: Needs assessment (until May 2005), alternatives development and evaluation (June 2005 – March 2006); final report (April 2006)

MUNI intends to implement BRT service in high-ridership corridors such as Geary Blvd. and Van Ness Avenue, corridors with sufficient right-of-way to provide dedicated, physically separated lanes. As BRT does not require as much capital infrastructure as light rail transit (LRT), it may serve as a first phase of implementing LRT. Generally, BRT in San Francisco will include:

- Dedicated lanes
- Distinctive station and boarding areas
- Passenger information including real-time arrival information
- Transit signal priority
- Streetscape improvements and amenities

BRT is one component of San Francisco's Transit Preferential Streets (TPS) network established to define corridors on which improvements should be concentrated (see map).



The network was developed based on transit vehicle frequencies, passenger ridership levels, and various other factors. Selected corridors are being equipped with transit priority treatments such as *transit priority lanes*, *transit signal priority*, *bus stop improvements*, *auto turn restrictions* and *exclusive transit rights-of-way*. Priority treatments will vary depending on the different opportunities and constraints in each corridor.