

Realign

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Realign Draft Service Scenarios

INFORMATIONAL ITEM: AC Transit Realign Bus Service Network Plan Update Alameda City Transportation Commission

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AC Transit At-a-Glance

Rider Demographics:

- •65% low income
- •75% people of color
- •29% Limited English Proficiency
- •27% of riders are traveling to work
- •30,000 student trips to and from school every school day

Riders During Pandemic:

•40% of riders made an essential trip
•15% of riders identified as an essential worker
•43% riders do not have access to a car

We serve

Essential workers, students, low-income, seniors, commuters, individuals with disabilities, and anyone wishing to reduce their carbon footprint.



Transit Service in Alameda Today







What is Realign?

It's a review of AC Transit's routes and schedules.

Where do routes go to and from? How often do buses run along each route? What times of day are routes running?



Why is Realign Happening?

Challenges with hiring and retaining enough bus operators AC Transit rider habits have shifted

Ridership is at 72% of prepandemic levels Challenging budget outlook due to fare and tax revenue losses.



Realign Project Phasing

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Develop Plans + Learn Rider Needs

Mar-Jun 2023

Aligning Guiding Principles with Community Assessment

Jul-Aug 2023

Develop Service Scenarios and Gather Feedback

Sep-Dec 2023

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Draft Final Service Plan and Plan Adoption

Jan-Apr 2024

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Develop Service Standards and Inform Riders about Service Changes Apr-Sep 2024

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On-going emphasis on equity and transparency in all project phases and communications

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Guiding Principles

Equity

Provide a network that prioritizes services for communities who need it the most.

Reliability

Provide bus service that is reliable and predictable.

Frequency

Provide frequent service to the most people; frequency's importance will vary by location and be balanced against geographic coverage and community needs.

Engagement

We heard you!



Service Scenarios Overview



Unconstrained

(Pending funding availability)

More Frequency, More Coverage

Unconstrained Vision Scenario



Balanced Coverage Scenario

- Keeps today's balance between core service and providing network coverage.
 - Improves access to many destinations
 - New coverage to areas with high transit demand
 - Simplifies routes to improve reliability and travel time
 - Better matches service frequency to customer demand





Frequent Service Scenario

- Focuses more frequent service in denser areas at the cost of network coverage.
 - All local routes provide weekday service at least every 30 minutes
 - Better frequency on busier trunk routes
 - Simplifies routes to improve reliability and travel times
 - Eliminates less productive local lines and route segments.





Unconstrained Vision Scenario

- Expanded frequent service, expanded coverage, more revenue, operators, buses, bus garages needed.
- Restores pandemic suspensions, with some changes to support equity and reflect new travel patterns.
- Proposed on-demand microtransit zones where fixed route service expansion is less practical.





Key Highlights









In Frequent Service Scenario, existing **Line 21** (including service to OAK Airport) discontinued.

Line F20 will serve Bay Farm, Otis, South Shore, Shoreline, Central, Main, Stargell.

Line F39 will run from South
 Shore to Fruitvale/Macarthur,
 with every other trip
 continuing along Lincoln and
 Skyline Blvd.

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System-wide Summary

	Existing Network	Balanced Coverage Scenario	Frequent Service Scenario	Unconstrained Vision Scenario
10 minutes or less	2 routes	3 routes	4 routes	20 routes
10 - 15 minutes	9 routes	8 routes	10 routes	17 routes
15 – 30 minutes	28 routes	34 routes	39 routes	26 routes
Over 30 minutes	23 routes	14 routes	0 routes	0 routes
Total	62 routes	59 routes	53 routes	63 routes



Public Engagement: Phase 3

November 1 – December 13, 2023



Shape the future of AC Transit's bus network

Review and comment on bus service proposals online, in person, or at a local library.

Visit: actransit.org/realign



Public Engagement: Phase 3 November 1 – December 13, 2023

- **20+** Community Pop-Ups and Pop-Ins*
- **30+** City Council/Commission Presentations
- 2 Lived Experience Advisory Group (LEAG) Meetings
- **10** CBO Partnerships
- 7 CBO-led Open House events
- **1** Community Virtual Workshop on December 7, 2023
- 2 updates to AC Transit Board on November 1 and December 13

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Public Engagement: Phase 3

Print and Digital Collateral Digital Interactive Maps/Feedback

Static Maps/Feedback

Downloadable PDF/Print Maps/Feedback





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