

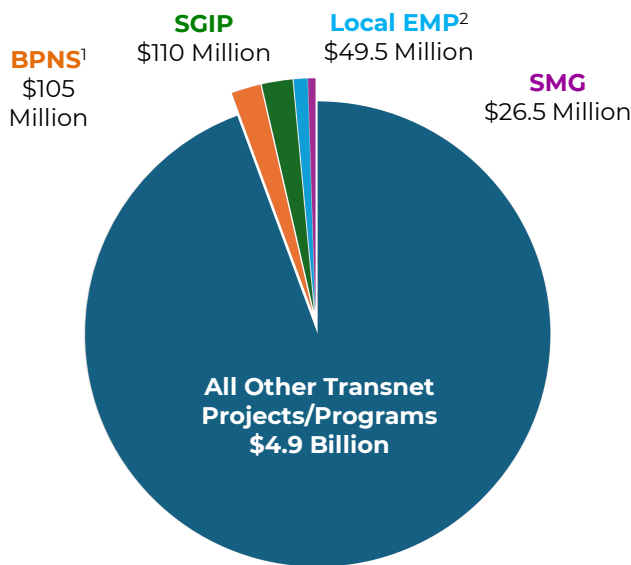
# 2025 | TRANSNET GRANT PROGRAMS PERFORMANCE REPORT

The TransNet Extension Ordinance, the county's half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements, has garnered approximately \$5.2 billion in funds since its inception in 2008. The funds are allocated according to a detailed [expenditure plan](#) that includes specific projects, programs, and grant programs. TransNet funds numerous transportation projects, in addition to an environmental conservation program, transit fare subsidies, and grant programs administered by SANDAG including:

- Active Transportation Grant Program (ATGP)
- Environmental Mitigation Program Land Management Grant (EMP LMG) Program
- Senior Mini-Grant (SMG) Program
- Smart Growth Incentive Program (SGIP)

The chart below illustrates TransNet revenue streams for the four grant programs listed above. A [master list](#) of all SANDAG grant program awards, including TransNet grant programs, can be found on the [SANDAG Grants web page](#).

**Transnet Revenue To-Date (Approx. \$5.2 Billion)**



1 - BPNS: In September 2013, the SANDAG Board approved a \$1 million annual set-aside for the ATGP. The remaining non-grant TransNet revenue is for the Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Neighborhood Safety (BPNS) Program, which supports the SANDAG Bike Plan Early Action Program (EAP).

2-Local EMP: The [Local] Environmental Mitigation Program allocates \$4 million annually to the Land Management Grant (or EMP LMG) to implement regional habitat management and monitoring efforts. The remaining Non-Grant TransNet Revenue is used for mitigation for major highway and transit projects identified in the Regional Plan.

## Performance Report Period

This Performance Report covers the reporting period between January 1 and June 30, 2025 and provides an update on completed grant projects, top performance measures, and expenditures for each grant program.

**Completed Grant Projects**

**Active Transportation Grant Program (ATGP)**

No ATGP projects were completed during this reporting period.

**Environmental Mitigation Program Land Management Grant (EMP LMG)**

One EMP LMG project was completed during this reporting period.

**Friends of Famosa Slough - Famosa Slough Stormwater Treatment Pond Restoration and Enhancement Project (Cycle 10)**

The grantee was awarded \$53,000, and the grant began in March 2023. The project restored 0.2 acres of Freshwater Marsh habitat and removed 0.1 acres of invasive species (see photos below). All project deliverables have been submitted, and the grantee has expended \$52,880.03 to date. Additional invoices are pending and will be resolved with the project closeout.

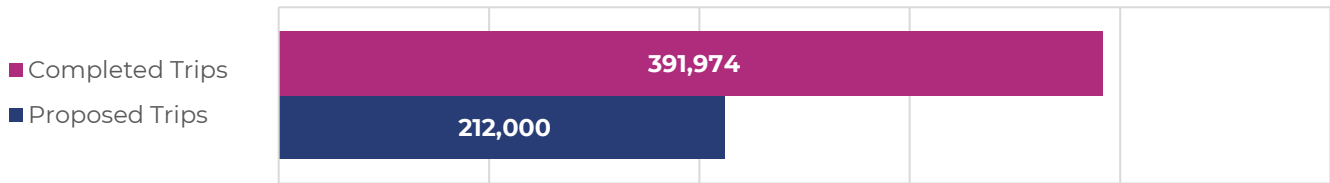


**Senior Mini-Grant (SMG) Program**

Two SMG projects were completed during this reporting period.

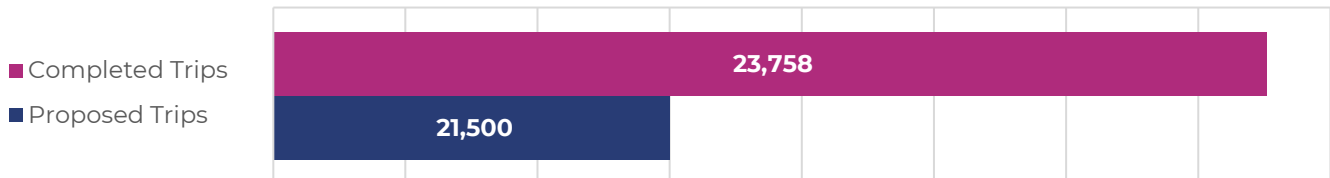
**Traveler’s Aid of San Diego - Cycle 12 - Operating - SMG**

The grantee was awarded an operating grant for \$500,000, and the grant began on June 1, 2023. The grantee provided 391,974 one-way passenger trips, exceeding the 212,000 they proposed in their application and fully expended the grant.



**ElderHelp of San Diego - Cycle 12 - Operating - SMG**

The grantee was awarded an operating grant for \$282,593, and the grant began on June 1, 2023. The guarantee provided 23,758 one-way passenger trips out of the 21,500 they proposed and expended 99% of the grant.



**(Right photo)** Irma became a Traveler's Aid Senior ide participant in 2019. At the time, she received regular bus passes and volunteer driver rides. In 2023, she enrolled in the Senior Solutions program to receive additional volunteer driver rides and occasional Lyft rides when needed. In March, Irma celebrated her 75th birthday. During a call with the Traveler's Aid staff, Irma mentioned she would have family in town to celebrate her special day. Travelers Aid was able to connect Irma with Midway Museum tickets for her family outing in the Seaport Village. Irma's son is a Navy veteran and was excited to visit the ship with his family. Irma said she had the best day and thanked the staff for helping make her birthday special.



**(Far right photo)** ElderHelp plays a vital role in helping seniors and also supports those who care for aging loved ones. Anne is a family caregiver, looking after her mom, who is in her 80s. Anne is happy to help her mom in whatever way she can, but when she can't be there, Anne relies on ElderHelp to fill in the gaps. Through ElderHelp alternative services, they are able to deliver groceries and supplies from their pantry. She also gets regular check-ins to make sure she has what she needs. Anne appreciates the additional support for her mom.

**Smart Growth Incentive Program (SGIP)**

Two SGIP projects were completed during this reporting period.

**City of Lemon Grove – Connect Main Street Phase I and II (Cycle 4)**

The grantee was awarded \$2.5 million for the capital construction project, which began on July 20, 2020. The project implemented numerous pedestrian and bike facilities along Main Street, including street conversion, a pedestrian trail, shared-use path, crosswalks, bulb-outs, lighting, and landscape features, which will improve north/south movement of people via active transportation. The project was completed on June 20, 2025, and the grantee has expended \$1,472,134 to date. A final invoice is pending and will be resolved with the project closeout.



**City of Santee – Santee Specific Plan (Cycle 5)**

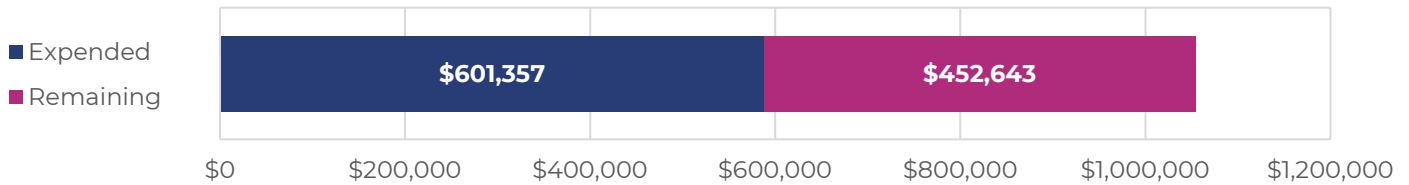
The grantee was awarded \$400,000, and the grant began on August 12, 2022. The project took 33 months to complete and was granted two project schedule amendments. The project resulted in updates to Santee's General Plan and Town Center Specific Plan, promoting new development, including commercial, housing, and mixed-use development. The City expended \$352,292 of the grant award.

**Active Grant Projects**

**Active Transportation Grant Program (ATGP)**

There is a single active ATGP Project, the City of Carlsbad’s Carlsbad Boulevard and Tamarack Avenue Pedestrian Improvement Project. This project was awarded \$1,054,000 in 2016 and has been granted two 36-month schedule extensions. The grantee is currently requesting a 36-month extension, a revised scope of work, and a budget amendment.

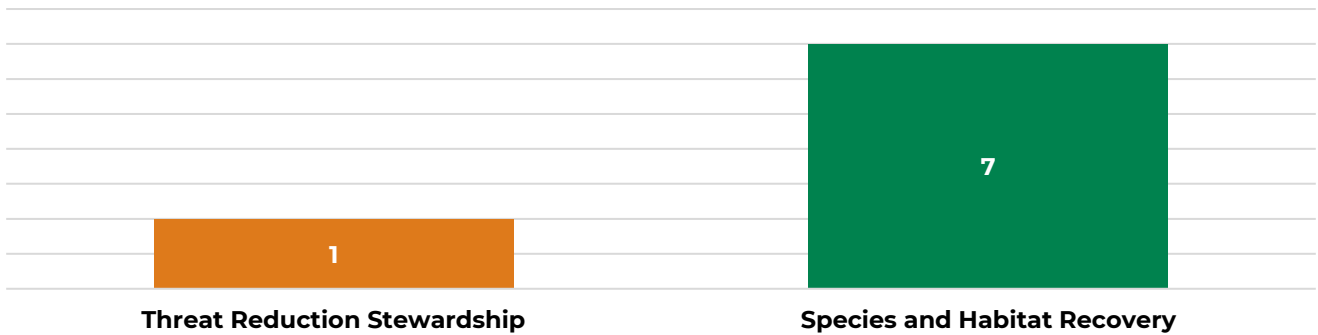
**Active ATGP Projects Budget Spent and Remaining**



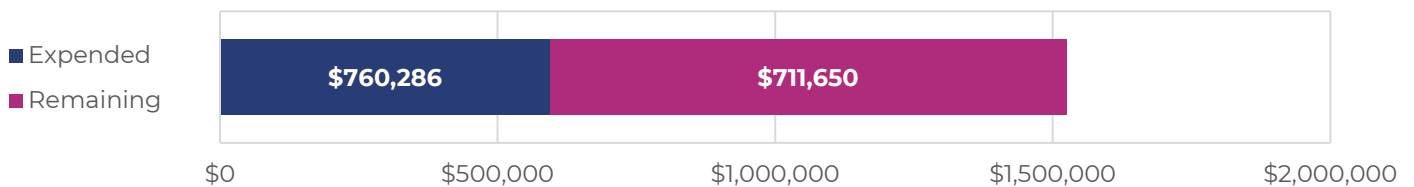
**Environmental Mitigation Program Land Management Grant (EMP LMG)**

A total of 8 EMP LMG projects are active, with the project types displayed in the bar chart below. The cumulative grant award for active projects is approximately \$1.5 million.

**Active EMP LMG Projects By Type**



**Active EMP LMG Projects Budget Spent and Remaining**



## Senior Mini-Grant (SMG) Program

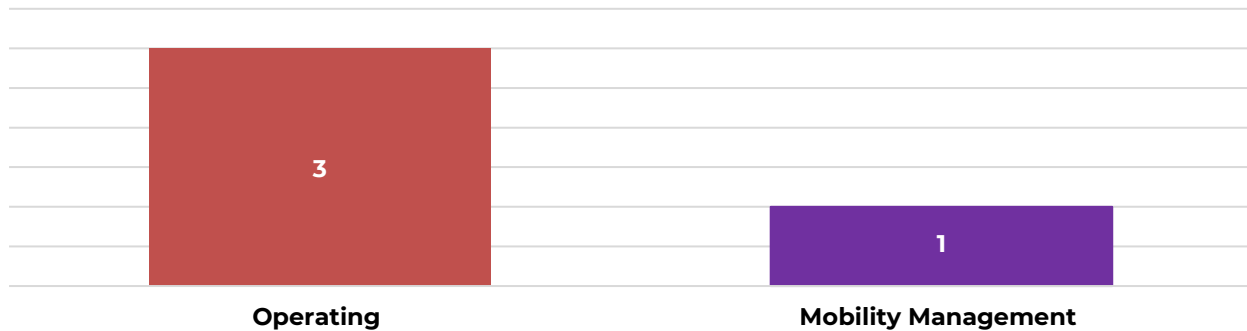
Four SMG projects are active during this reporting period. The total grant awarded for the four active SMG projects is \$2.7 million. There are two SMG project types as defined in the callout box on the right.

### Project Type Definitions

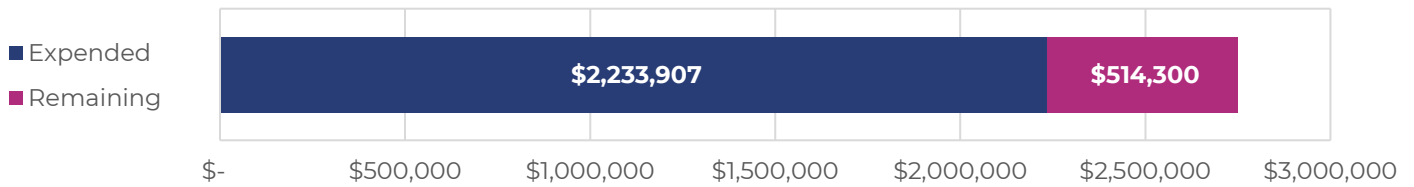
Mobility Management Project: Transportation brokerage services, transportation information and referral services, or travel training instruction

Operating Project: Mileage reimbursement, volunteer driver programs, or transit pass subsidies

### Active SMG Projects By Type



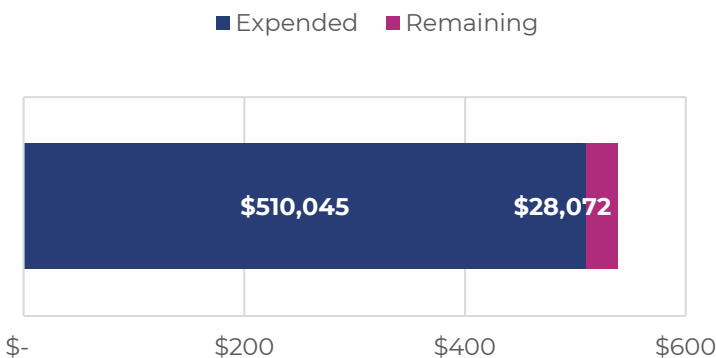
### Active SMG Projects Budget Spent and Remaining



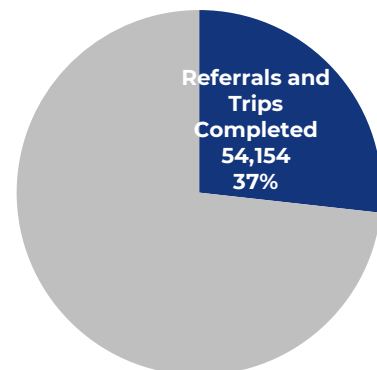
## Mobility Management SMG Grants

The active SMG Mobility Management project is with FACT, who provides travel referrals and brokerage transportation service trips. FACT has spent 64% of its budget and has provided 37% of its units.

### Mobility Management SMG Project Budget Spent and Remaining



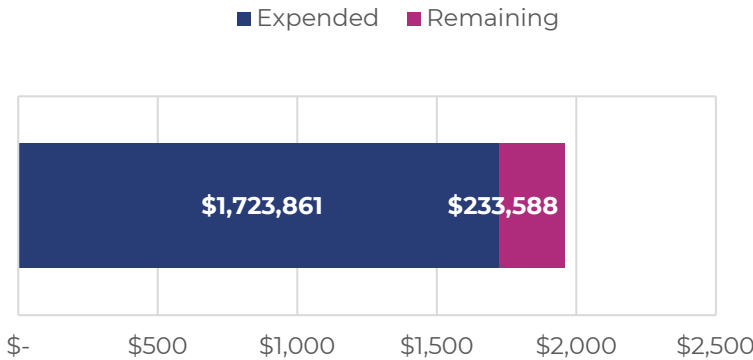
### Referrals and Brokerage Trips Completed and Remaining



**Operating**

ElderHelp of San Diego (ElderHelp), Traveler’s Aid of San Diego (TASD), and Jewish Family Service of San Diego (JFS) Grants were awarded approximately \$1.96 million and have spent eighty-eight percent of their cumulative grant allocation. The percentage of budgets spent per grantee is presented below. Despite only spending eighty-eight percent of their budget, ElderHelp, TASD and JFS have already exceeded their performance measures. The total target units for these active SMG Operations Projects are 313,150. As of June 30, 2025, 578,264 units have been fulfilled.

**Operating SMG Project Budget Spent and Remaining**



**Trips Completed and Remaining**



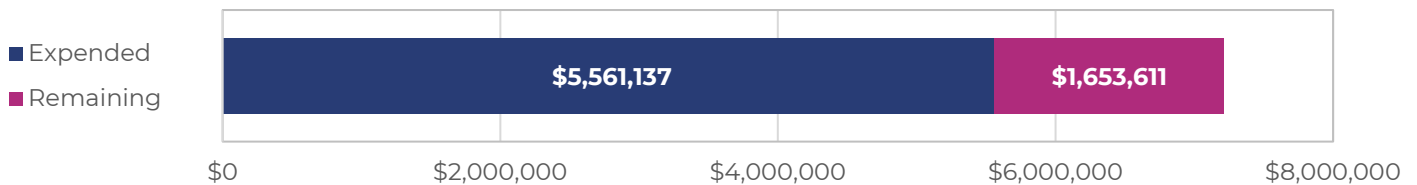
**Smart Growth Incentive Program (SGIP)**

There are six active SGIP projects with a total grant award of \$7.2 million. The projects are categorized as either planning or capital projects, with the latter potentially involving multiple phases within the grant. The active project stages are displayed in the bar chart below.

**Active SGIP Projects By Stage**



**Active SGIP Projects Budget Spent and Remaining**



## Amendment Requests

### Active Transportation Grant Program (ATGP)

#### City of Carlsbad – Carlsbad Boulevard and Tamarack Avenue Pedestrian Improvements

The grantee is requesting a 3-year extension for a new scope of work and a budget amendment. The ITOC and TC recommended that the Board reject a previous amendment request earlier in the year. After the amendment denial, the City took the project to their City Council and received new direction, prompting City staff to submit a new amendment request. ITOC recommended that the Board approve the revised request, contingent on project delivery. This amendment request will be taken to the Transportation Committee on September 5, 2025.

### Environmental Mitigation Program Land Management Grant (EMP LMG)

No EMP LMG grantees requested amendments during this reporting period.

### Senior Mini-Grant (SMG) Program

No SMG grantees requested amendments during this reporting period.

### Smart Growth Incentive Program (SGIP)

#### City of San Diego/Civic San Diego – East Village Green Park Phase 1

In May 2025, a second amendment was requested by the grantee for a 12-month extension and a scope reduction. The ITOC and RPC recommended that the Board approve the time extension and scope reduction. The Board approved the amendment on [July 25, 2025](#). The new project end date will be August 31, 2026.

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## Watch List Projects

Projects are placed on a Watch List when a grantee has not made timely progress toward milestones or key project deliverables or has not implemented any SANDAG-issued corrective actions.

### Active Transportation Grant Program (ATGP)

One ATGP project was on the Watch List during this reporting period.

#### City of Carlsbad – Carlsbad Boulevard and Tamarack Avenue Pedestrian Improvements

This project was placed on the Watch List in October 2023 for not meeting major milestones. The grant expired on May 9, 2025, and an amendment request is pending.

### Environmental Mitigation Program Land Management Grant (EMP LMG)

No EMP LMG projects were on the Watch List during this reporting period.

### Smart Growth Incentive Program (SGIP)

Three SGIP projects were on the Watch List during this reporting period.

#### City of El Cajon – Main Street-Green Street Gateway Improvements Project

A Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) investigation for labor compliance has been underway since July 2024. The project will remain on the Watch List until this is resolved. The project was completed in early 2025.

#### City of San Diego - Downtown Mobility Cycle Way Improvement Phase I and II

A Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) investigation for labor compliance has been underway since November 2022. The project will remain on the Watch List until this is resolved. The project was completed in fall 2024.

#### City of Lemon Grove – Connect Main Street Phase I and II

The project was placed on the Watch List in November 2024 due to labor compliance issues with the contractors. SANDAG is working with the grantee to bring its contractors into compliance. The project was completed in June 2025.

## Senior Mini-Grant (SMG) Program

### **FACT - Cycle 12 - CTSA Mobility Management - Mobility Management - Senior Mini-Grant**

The project is currently on the Watch List because the grantee submitted their invoices with errors, inadequate documentation, and ineligible expenses. This project has been on the Watch List for this issue for a year, and the grantee was asked to provide a Corrective Action Plan in March 2025 to address the issues. The Corrective Action Plan was only partially fulfilled by the deadline stated. SANDAG continues to work with the grantee to resolve these issues and is withholding payment from the grantee until invoices are corrected.