



## Board Report

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### MEASURE M INDEPENDENT TAXPAYER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE JUNE 4, 2025

**SUBJECT: LOCAL RETURN**

**ACTION: RECEIVE ORAL REPORT**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

RECEIVE oral report on Local Return programmed revenues and uses for Los Angeles County jurisdictions to support discussion on the effective and efficient use of funds.

#### **ISSUE**

To support the discussion on Local Return revenue amounts programmed and usage by each Los Angeles County local jurisdiction, this report provides a quarterly update and presents the status of Local Return funding in the third quarter of fiscal year 2025 (FY25). This includes a summary of Measure M fund use within the third quarter and updates on current points of concern with Metro's Board of Directors.

#### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

Local Return receives a 17% revenue share of the Measure M Ordinance funding apportioned to local jurisdictions by population. Under Board-adopted guidelines, this item enables the programming of funds to recipients to support the implementation of various transportation projects and improvements throughout the region. This includes improvements for public access, paratransit services for seniors and individuals with disabilities, and transit subsidies for students and low-income residents. Local Jurisdictions make the determination of the projects that are most beneficial for their communities. Staff will continue to support jurisdictions in meeting Local Return requirements through workshops, multiple written communications regarding deadlines, and one-on-one briefings with the goal of improving program compliance. In May, Metro held a FY25 Consolidated Audit Workshop to clarify the programs requirements with audit compliance. Staff also worked with cities that have funds due to lapse by proposing to create Capital Reserve accounts so those jurisdictions may have additional time to complete larger projects. These Capital Reserve accounts are scheduled to be considered by the Metro Board this June. In reply to the March 2023 Metro Board Bus Shelters Motion (Motion 20), Local Return will continue to monitor and report on bus stop improvements for the region, and will inform the planned Quality of Life Scorecard of the data so that they may assess how the pass-through funding supports local infrastructure.

**ATTACHMENT**

Attachment A - Local Return Presentation

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# Measure M Local Return

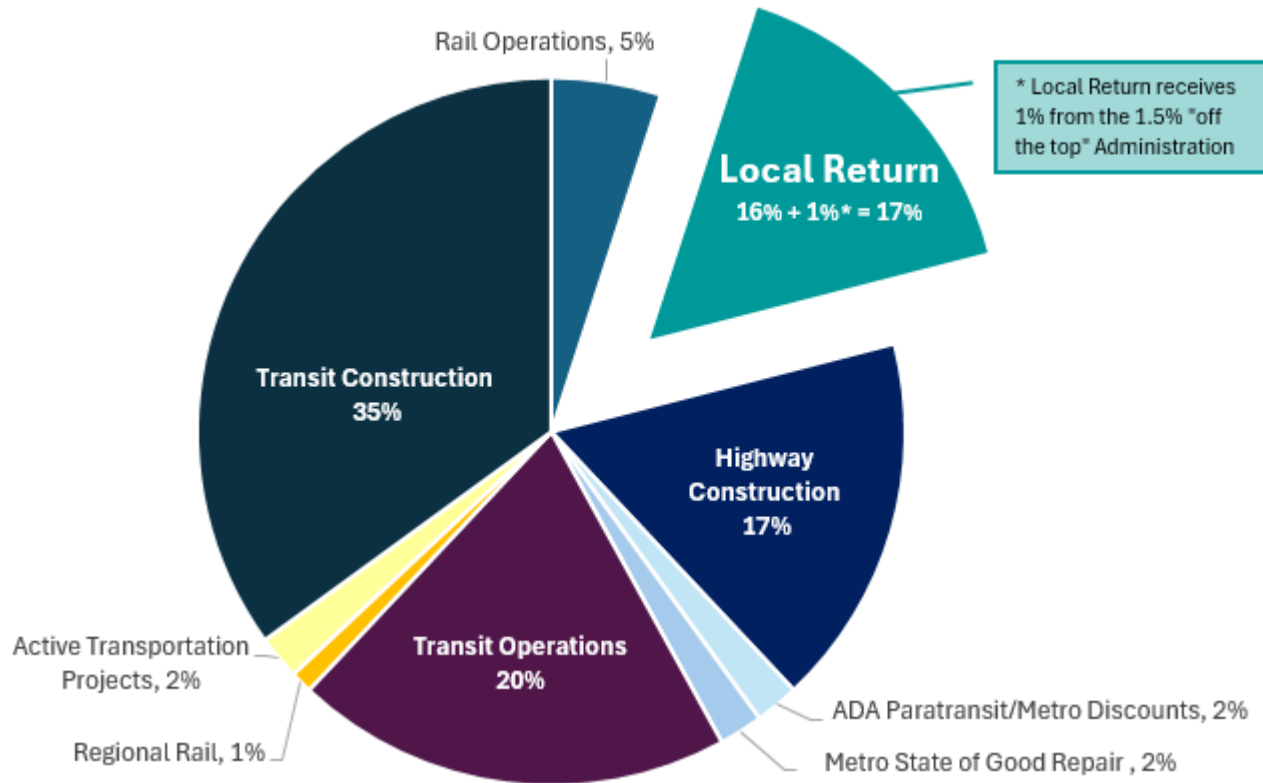


**Measure M Oversight Committee  
Local Programming  
June 2025 update**



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# Local Return (LR) – Measure M



- **Measure M**
  - Approved 2016
  - Funding started FY18
- **LR share 17%**
  - 16% share + 1% of the 1.5% off the top
- **Requires Assurances and Understanding agreement**
- **Due Dates (same for all LR funds)**
  - August 1 – Budget
  - October 15 – Expenditures
- **Annual Compliance Audits**

# Local Return – Updates

## Measure M Updates

- Capital Reserves going to Board this month with 3 Measure M projects: Hidden Hills, Lakewood, and South Pasadena for total of \$1.5 million
- Audit workshop was May 28<sup>th</sup>

## Metro Board Bus Shelters Motion (Motion 20)

- Investigate Local Return investments in bus stops and other efforts
- To date in 2025, 3 cities are using Measure M LR funds for bus stops
- Most cities use other local return sources for bus stop improvements
- This will inform planned Quality of Life Scorecard which will assess how pass-through funding supports local infrastructure including bus stops

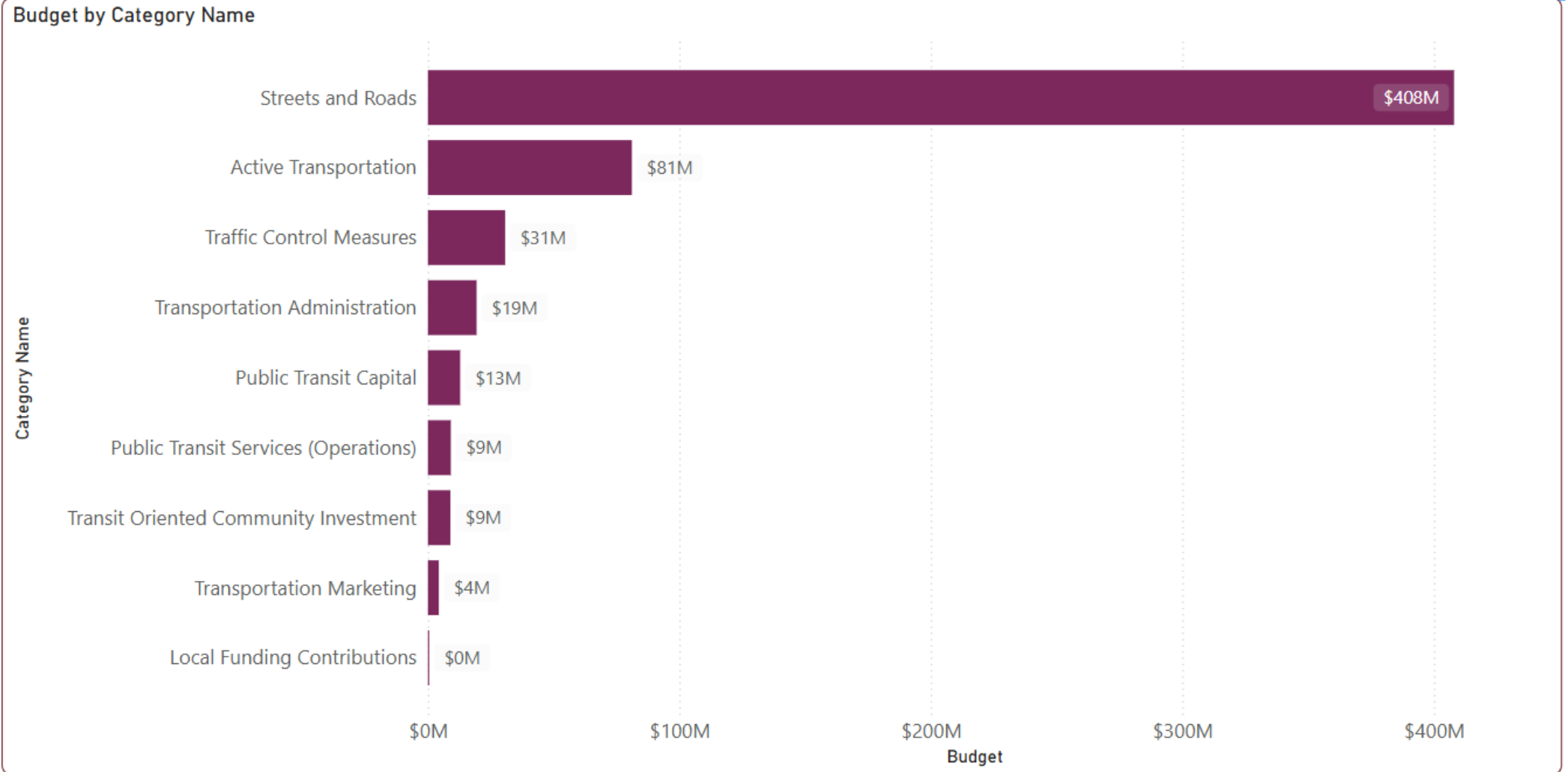
# FY25 Measure M Local Return Fund Usage

**Approved Budget 2025**

**\$575M**

**Total No of Projects in 2025**

**749**



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# THANK YOU

## Questions?

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