



Marin County

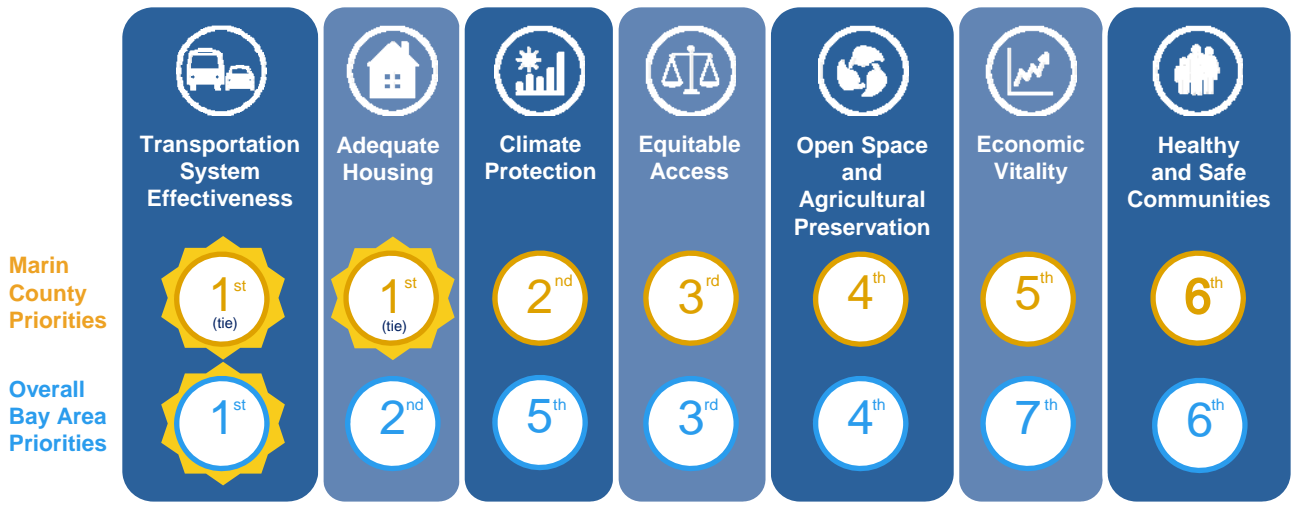
Plan Bay Area Spring 2015 Open House Summary

<p>Wednesday, May 28, 2015 5 pm to 7 pm</p>	<p>Marin County Civic Center 3501 Civic Center Drive Civic Center Cafe, San Rafael</p>	<p>Approximate Attendance 80</p>	
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Goals and Targets Station Feedback

At the Goals and Targets Station, participants received information about the current goals and targets for Plan Bay Area, as well as the process underway to update them. Participants were asked to select their top three personal priorities from the list of current goals and targets for Plan Bay Area, and to post their other ideas on an adjoining additional board.



Below is a sampling of the comments that were submitted at the Marin County open house. Visit PlanBayArea.org to view the complete list.

Is there anything missing from these goals?

- Preserving the character of the Bay Area/Marin
- Look at how housing and transportation impact social connections
- Climate Protection – uncertain about whether Plan can yield meaningful reductions in greenhouse gases
- Not overburdening local roads by pursuing too much development
- Water - ensure there is enough

What are the biggest challenges facing your community?



- Gaps in mass transit options
- Diverse housing—people are being pushed out
- Finish Bay Trail
- Densification
- Traffic congestion

What are your ideas for solving these challenges?

- Allow individual counties/cities to manage growth consistent with their goals
- Reframe this discussion in bite-sized pieces
- Local control



Transportation Station Feedback

The Transportation Station included displays about currently planned local and regional transportation projects (highways, public transit, bicycle/pedestrian, local road improvements, etc.). On an accompanying board, participants were asked to post ideas for new projects, then to share their biggest transportation challenges and offer solutions for improving their trips.

What projects are missing? What would make it easier for you to get where you need to go?



- Funding for transportation operational projects
- Multiple freeway and frontage road improvements
- More frequent/extended transit (owl service)
- More shuttles and jitnies

What are the biggest transportation challenges in your town? In the Bay Area? What would make it better?

- Funding for transit
- Greater public education regarding Marin transit options
- Progress on alleviating traffic congestion
- Desperate need for express buses to serve locals
- Build traffic circles



Looking Ahead Station Feedback

At the Looking Ahead Station, participants received information on how ABAG develops population and economy forecasts, as well as how past projections compared to actual numbers. Participants were asked to share their feedback on two key questions:

What concerns you about the future of your community?



- Water supply
- Affordable housing
- Social cohesion
- Marin forecasting "future"
- Affordable housing population proportionality
- Richmond and Oakland need the money more

What possibilities most excite you?

- New transit options
- SMART with Transit Connections
- Expanding this conversation to include nonprofessional/nontechnical people