

Accessible Wayfinding for the Blind

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Current Project

- Braille and raised print plates
- Current project to cover roughly 10% of AC Transit's 5100 (pre-pandemic) bus stops, depending on options chosen
- \$35,000 is budgeted for the current project



Seeking input

- Content of braille/raised print plates
- Stop selection for braille/raised print plates
- Future projects



Possible content of plates

- “Bus”
 - (to mark bus stop poles as separate from other signposts)
- Bus line numbers / letters?
- Stop ID numbers?

Trade-off between complexity and number of stops covered



Stop selection

- Stop selection options for initial project
 - Highest boardings
 - Transit centers with multiple stops
(Approximately 25 BART stations and other centers)
 - Locations with facilities geared to the visually impaired



Next steps

Future projects might include:

- Extending plates to more (possibly all) stops
 - Very rough estimate of \$315,000
- Suggestions for other projects to pursue

MTC working on new regional standards to include wayfinding

