

Veterans Transition Center of Monterey County

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Measure X Annual Report Veterans Transition Center Marina, CA

Description of Community Served

The mission of the Veterans Transition Center (VTC) is to empower Veterans to move from crisis to self-sufficiency. VTC is a 501c3 non-profit, which has been on the north end of the Ft Ord complex since 1998. VTC has a staff of twenty that provides housing and wrap-around services to homeless Veterans and their families. Services include housing (emergency, transitional, permanent), case management, food, life skills, substance abuse counseling, employment training, benefit and medical referrals, and –thanks to Measure X—transportation.

VTC has a baseline population of 100 residents. This includes Veterans enrolled in programs with the Departments of Veteran Affairs (VA) and Housing and Urban Development (HUD), as well as their dependents. For the past year, the typical breakdown of our population is 30% elderly and 60% disabled. These groups overlap and often vary due to the transient nature with our six housing programs. As well, we have a staff of twenty, which includes 15% elderly and 35% disabled. Altogether then, the Measure X group currently served by VTC is approximately 70 individuals.

Transportation has long been a limiting factor for VTC. Physically, we are spread across three locations: housing, headquarters, and storage warehouses. These sites are separated by half a mile and require routine movement among our residents and staff. Residents also have regular appointments across the Monterey County area, including benefit counseling, medical appointments, Veteran services, legal services, and county health services.

Measure X has had a significant impact on our operations. With this grant, VTC has been able to expand outreach to Veterans in crisis, provide transportation for current residents, conduct follow up wellness checks for graduates, and serve all routine transportation needs for our elderly and disabled population.

Work completed in calendar year 2019

The following tasks are from Attachment 2 of the Measure X Funding Agreement between VTC and TAMC of 1/26/2018:



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Task 1 Project Management

1.2 Project monitoring, including quarterly reports

Task 2 Public Outreach

- 2.1 Marketing Plan
- 2.2 Resource Fair, website and social media updates, staff hours expended

Task 3 Transportation Services

- 3.1 Additional vehicles purchased
- 3.2 Service continued, with addition of scheduled routes and on-call transportation
- 3.3 Drivers hired for 3.2 above, as transportation and job creation program for Veterans

Task 4 Fiscal Management

- 4.1 Quarterly invoicing continues
- 4.2 Annual reports continue

Expenses to Date

Measure X Expenses by Category FY 18/19 (Includes Upfront Payments & Figures Rounded)

Category	Funded in FY 18/19	Funded to Date	% Grant	\$ Remaining
Vehicles	\$90,823	\$148,878	77%	\$44,869
Monthly Bus Passes	\$4,000	\$4,000	67%	\$2,000
Branding	\$3,588	\$3,588	0%	\$12,412
Tracking	\$0	\$0	0%	\$4,500
Driver (jobs)	\$10,000	\$10,000	25%	\$30,000
Totals	\$108,411	\$166,466	64%	\$93,781

Work remaining 2020

- Spend down the remaining grant funds. This may include a reallocation request in the coming quarter to move funds (fr0m branding and tracking to bus passes and driver)
- Fulfill all grant requirements to close out Measure X by the end date.

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Numbers Served

VTC Annual Vehicle Use, Measure X (2019 Calendar Year)

<u>Vehicle</u>	<u>Miles</u>	<u>Trips</u>	Elderly carried	Disabled carried
GMC Terrain 1	16,943	480	400	324
GMC Terrain 2	15,351	462	168	156
GMC Terrain 3	11,689	240	24	276
Ford CMax	8,421	216	36	36
Hybrid				
Ford World	1,784	138	108	72
Transport				
Totals	54,188	1,536	736	864

Activities

The automobiles primarily support our case management program, which serves residents for routine local service needs such as hospital visits, medical appointments, and legal appointments.

The bus serves community transportation needs in two areas:

- Special events, such as group trips to local activities
- Driver program, which has scheduled routes to local government service organizations, as well as on-call transportation for elderly and disabled passengers whose needs are not meet by other means.

Pictures – on following pages

Respectfully,

////Signed////

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GMC Terrain SUV: The Workhorse of the VTC fleet



Branding for TAMC & Measure X

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The VTC Measure X Automobile Fleet: three GMC Terrain SUVs and one Ford CMax Hubrid



The Ford World Transport Bus, with Disabled Lift

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