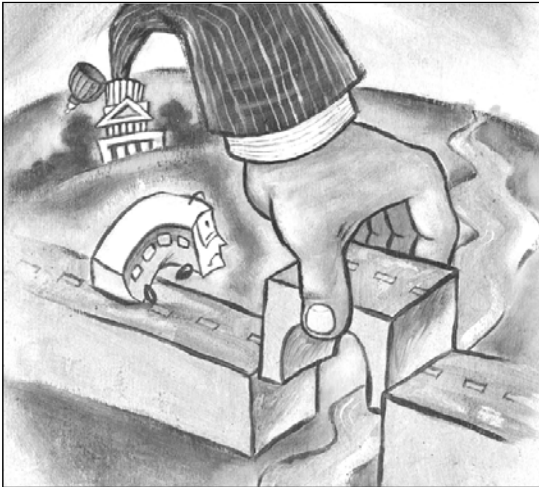


ENOUGH, ALREADY!



Keep up the cuts, and there'll be nowhere left for public transit to go.

More than \$4 billion in available transit-dedicated funding has been raided this decade,
\$3 billion in the last two years alone!

The budget passed in September reflected an 85 percent cut to available funding for 2008-09.

Transit funding raided equals jobs lost

Public transportation supports California's economy by providing permanent, green jobs. Every \$1 invested in public transportation generates \$6 in local economic activity.

- Service cuts of up to 35 percent are anticipated due to raids on state funding, meaning thousands of California jobs are at stake.
- The proposed funding cuts would pose an immediate threat to nearly 2,000 jobs in the Bay Area alone.
- If invested in capital projects, the \$1.7 billion *already* cut this year could have generated 80,750 jobs.

Transit is not a private enterprise – it's a public service

Public transportation is just as vital to the health of a community as schools, fire protection, law enforcement or health care. Cuts to transit hit hardest on those who can least afford it.

- Of the 67 million rides provided annually by AC Transit, 49 percent are by people defined as "extremely" low income. The average income of a bus rider in Los Angeles is \$12,000 annually.
- One in five transit riders in California is a senior citizen or person with a disability.
- Transit providers in California report that students account for as much as one-third of their total ridership.

Transit is essential to the fight against global warming

Without an accompanying assurance to fully fund public transit, California's landmark commitment to combat global warming is nothing but an empty promise.

- Public transit use in California reduces carbon dioxide emissions by 3.6 million metric tons annually.
- Transit produces 95 percent less carbon monoxide and about half as much carbon dioxide and nitrogen oxides per passenger mile, compared to private vehicles.
- By taking public transit instead of driving, a single person saves 4,800 pounds of carbon dioxide per year.

**Californians took 1.5 billion passenger trips on public transit last year.
NOW IS NO TIME TO CUT TRANSIT EVEN FURTHER!**

A coalition of advocates representing transportation, the environment, labor, planning, seniors, persons with disabilities and persons of low-income urges you to reject further cuts to state funding for public transit!

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