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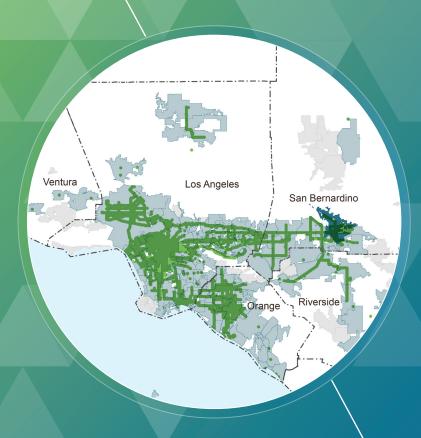
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# Part 1 Executive Summary





# High Quality Transit Area (HQTA) Analysis Pilot Program

# **Pilot Program Overview**

The High Quality Transit Area (HQTA) Analysis program was created by SCAG in 2017 to help implement the goals and objectives of the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). The 2016 RTP/SCS, the 30-year plan for the Southern California Region, forecasts that 46% of future household growth will be located in HQTAs, which comprise just 3% of land area. HQTAs are areas within easy walking distance to current or anticipated transit service with 15-minute or better service. The three main goals of the HQTA Analysis program are as follows:

- Implement the RTP/SCS for future job and housing growth near high quality transit through actionable transit-oriented development (TOD) projects
- Promote higher-density development and active transportation within HQTAs
- Reduce Greenhouse Gases (GHG) and Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) by 21% over 2005 levels

# **Benefits of Transit-Oriented Development**

Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) is a vibrant, mixed-use form of urban development that clusters a variety of housing types, employment opportunities, and community amenities at or near major transit stations. Integrated clusters of TODs establish a multi-modal network of public and private realm improvements that allow residents to walk, bike, or take transit to major attractions, which results in several environmental, economic, and social benefits:

#### **Environment**

- Increased transit ridership
- Reduced VMT
- Improved air quality through reduced GHG emissions
- Conservation of land and open space

#### Social

- Increased housing and employment choices
- Greater mobility choices
- Health benefits
- Enhanced sense of community
- Enhanced public safety
- Increased quality of life

#### **Economic**

- Catalyst for economic development
- Redevelopment of vacant and underutilized properties
- Increased property value
- Decreased infrastructure costs
- Revenue for transit systems
- Reduced household spending on transportation
- Increase in affordable housing

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

# In this briefing book:

# **Part 2: Station Area Profile**

The Station Area Profile describes the current planning, urban design, socioeconomic, and transportation context within the Marketplace HQTA Study Area. The Profile also includes a summary of previous planning efforts.

# Part 3: Outreach

Outreach efforts included public meetings and reoccurring correspondence with City of San Bernardino staff members.

# Part 4: Opportunities & Constraints Analysis

This analysis includes a summary of urban design, land use, and mobility constraints and identifies potential investments that will support walking, biking, and the use of transit.

# **HQTA Toolkit (Appendix)**

The development strategy and priority projects outlined in the Vision Plan are tied to the HQTA Toolkit, which will give the City a range of options for meeting the goals and objectives set forth in the Vision Plan. The Toolkit includes transportation investments with cost estimates, TOD precedent projects, open space typologies, and other components of an innovative HQTA.