

**Pit Stop Public Toilet Program
San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) Grant Funds**

Summary

The resolution retroactively authorizes San Francisco Public Works to accept and expend a \$225,000 grant from the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) for Pit Stop public toilets. The toilets will be located near three BART stations: the 16th Street Mission (on the northeast corner of 16th Street and Mission Street), the Powell BART Station, and 24th Street Mission BART Station. The grant will be matched by \$225,000 from Public Works' operating budget.

Background

In July 2014, San Francisco Public Works launched a six-month pilot Pit Stop public toilet program at three locations in the Tenderloin neighborhood. Over the next 4 years, the pilot program was expanded to other neighborhoods across the city, including SoMa and the Mission. The restrooms are attended to and cleaned by dedicated staff, and the program now includes both portable toilets and semi-permanent JC Decaux locations. The benefits of staffed toilets include human dignity through provision of clean and safe public facilities for personal relief, as well as workforce development opportunities for low-income individuals hired to staff the locations. On February 9, 2016, Public Works entered into a grant agreement with the non-profit Hunters Point Family for continued operation of the Pit Stop program citywide.

Project Selection

The 16th Street Mission, Powell BART station, and 24th Street Mission BART station have no public restrooms available for patrons. By strategically placing Pit Stop public toilets near these stations, BART patrons can use the restroom without infringing on the public facilities other patrons also need to utilize. The Pit Stop public toilets are to be located as mutually determined on property belonging only to the City and County of San Francisco, near to the BART stations. No toilets are to be located on property belonging to BART.

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