

MTC's Community-Based Transportation Planning Program



- \$1.3 million planning program focused in 25 low-income communities throughout the San Francisco Bay Area
- Collaborative process involving community residents, community agencies, transit operators, congestion management agencies & MTC

CBTP Program Objectives

- Facilitate community participation in prioritizing transportation needs & solutions
- Cultivate collaboration between residents, community agencies and transportation agencies
- Build community capacity



Elements of Planning Process: Community Involvement



Input is collected on community transportation issues through:

- Surveys
- Attending existing meetings
- Focus groups
- Community workshops
- Multi-lingual outreach

Elements of Planning Process: Solutions to Address Gaps

Solutions proposed in completed plans include improvements to:

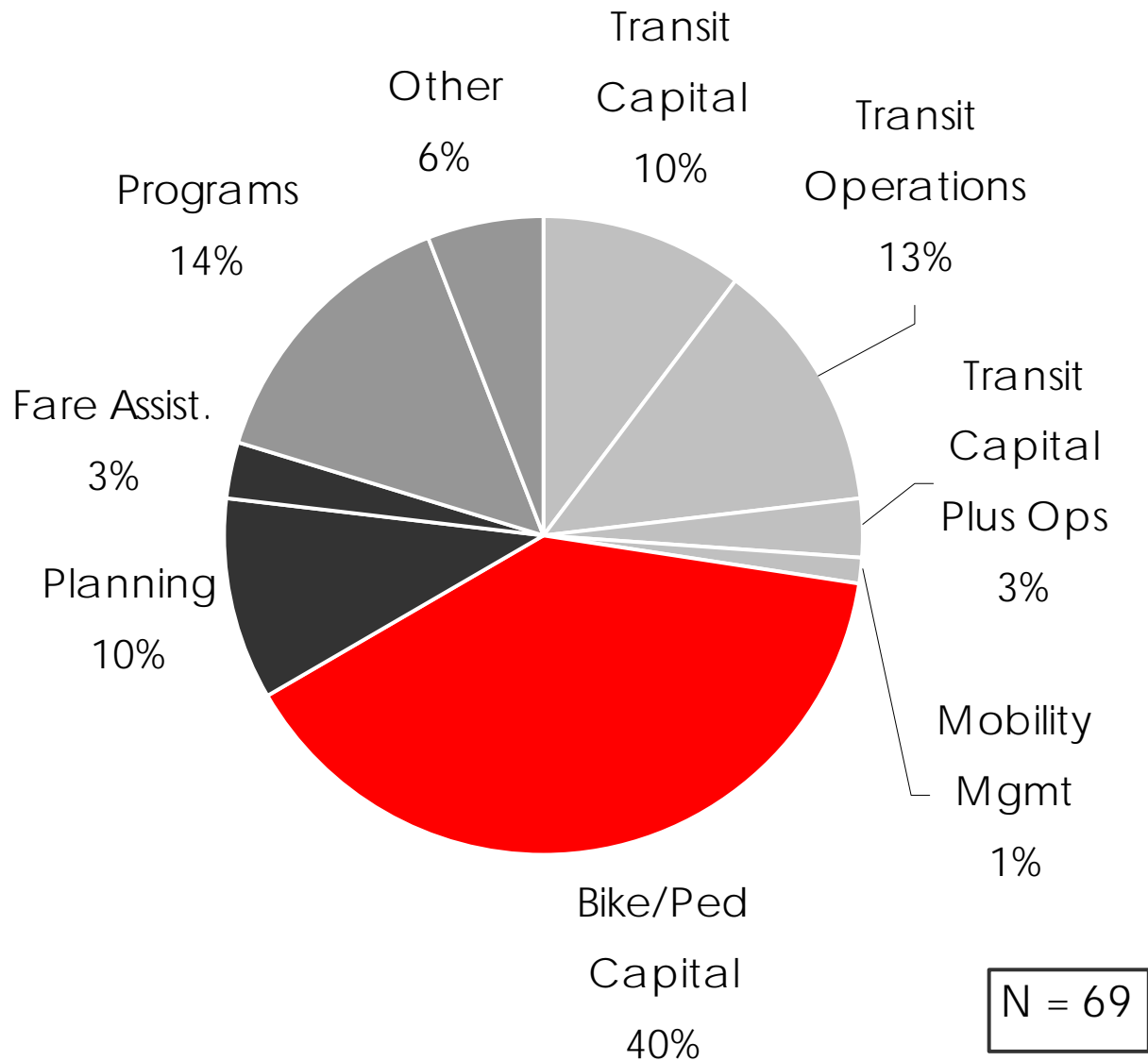
- “Fixed Route” Bus service
- Bus stop amenities
- Neighborhood Shuttles
- Auto access
- Public information
- Bicycle & pedestrian access
- Children’s transportation
- Transportation affordability



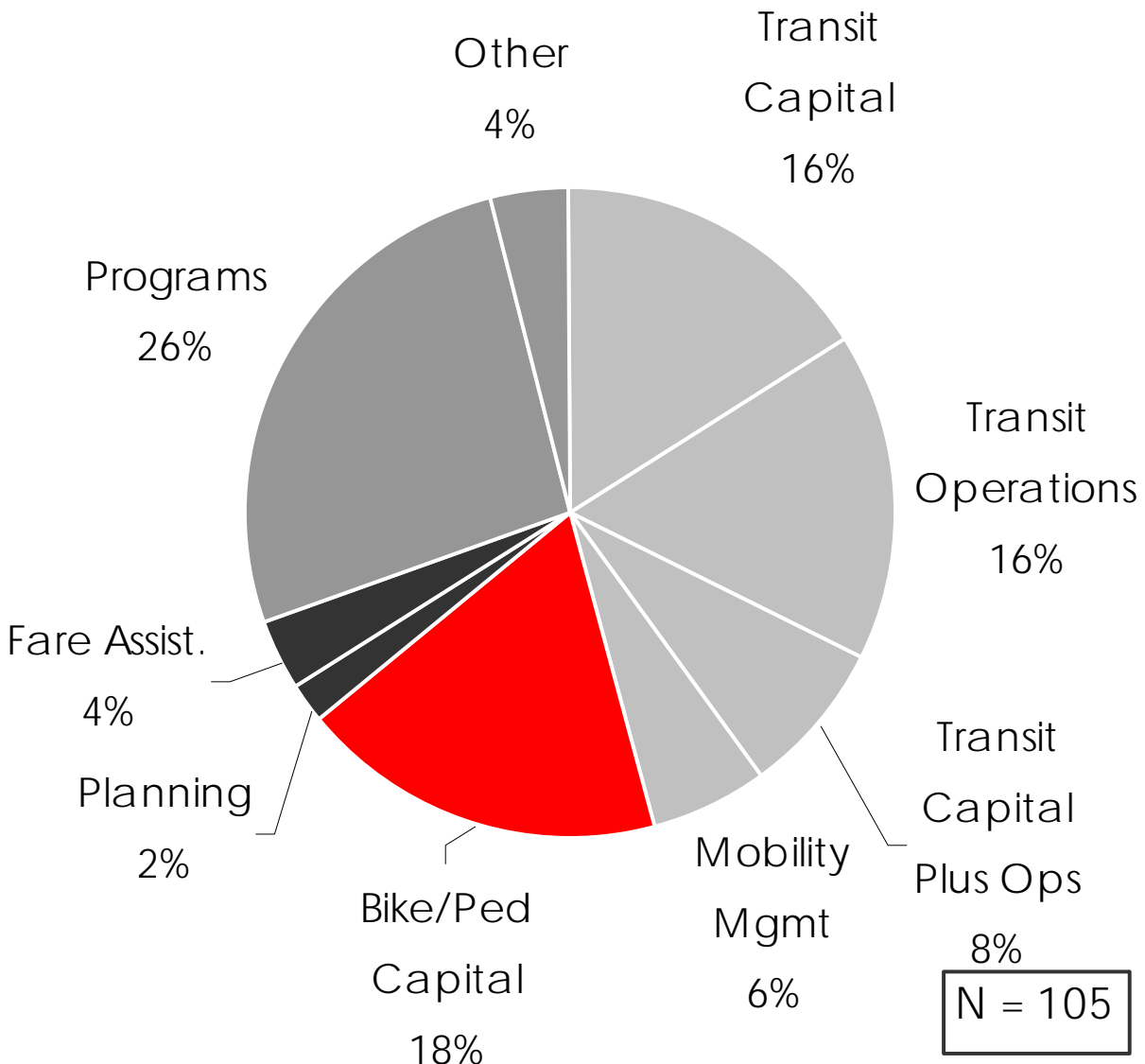
Lifeline Transportation Program

- Over the next 10 years, MTC will invest over \$260 million in Lifeline Transportation Projects to improve mobility options for the region's low-income residents
- First round of Lifeline funding (FY06-09) – 14 of 39 projects funded emerged from CBTPs
- Fund sources: State Transit Assistance (STA); Proposition 1B transit bond; Federal JARC funds

CBTP Solutions – Urban Areas



CBTP Solutions – Suburban/Rural



Community-based Transportation Planning and Lifeline Funding

- Outreach, a Santa Clara County non-profit, participated in the Gilroy CBTP
- Outreach applied for Lifeline funding for their Family Transportation Program
- The project offers flexibility in rides to entire family, as well as assistance with repair of personal vehicles



CBTP Next Steps



MTC has committed an additional \$1.1 million to complete Phase 2 community-based transportation plans in an additional 19 low-income communities

CBTP Lessons Learned

- \$60,000 per plan = limited scope
- Raising community expectations
- Working through local CBOs for outreach
- Paying low-income participants for their time
- Including “project sponsors” in planning process
- Implementation funding after plan is complete