#### Agenda Item 6 - General Manager's Report May 24, 2023



# **General Manager's Report**

- Former COC Members Acknowledgment
- Ridership
- Starlighter Service
- SMART Connect
- Questions

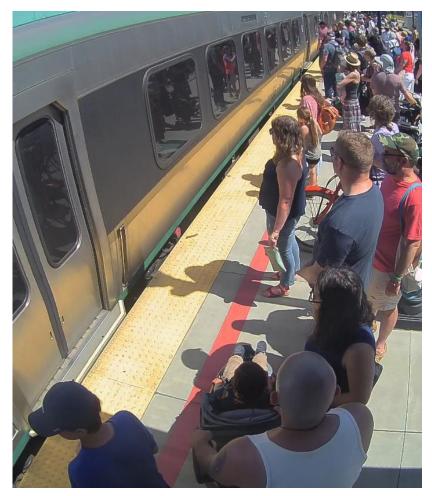


#### Citizens Oversight Committee Acknowledgement

**Russ Colombo, Chair** Peter Breen Patricia Kendall **Steve Rabinowitsh** Julia Violich **Steve Birdlebough Dennis Harter David Oster Tanya Narath** 



#### **Ridership Report**



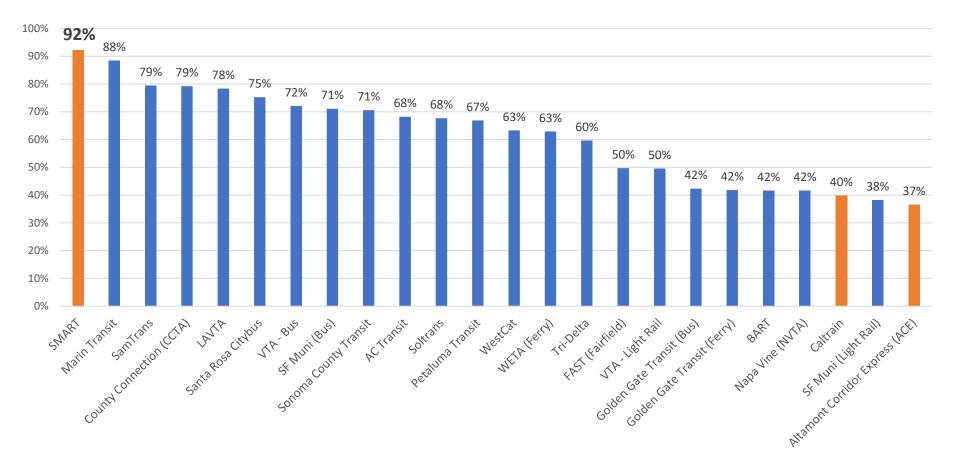


#### Butter & Eggs Day

**Downtown Petaluma** 



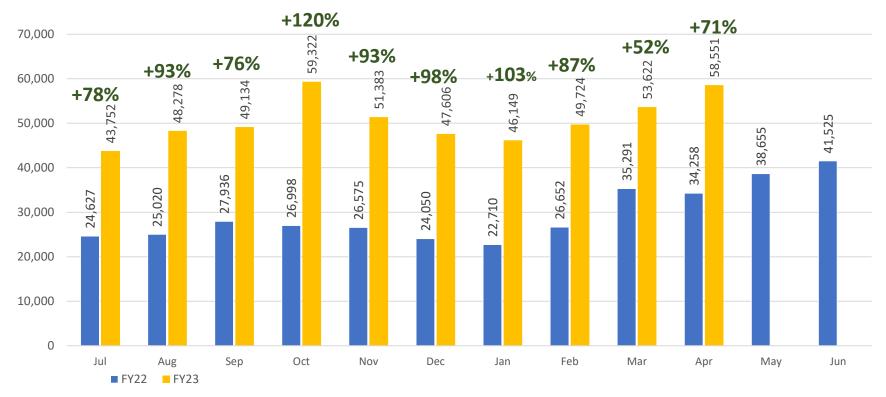
#### Ridership Recovery (Mar 2023 v Mar 2019)



March 2023: SMART had highest ridership recovery rate in the Bay Area.



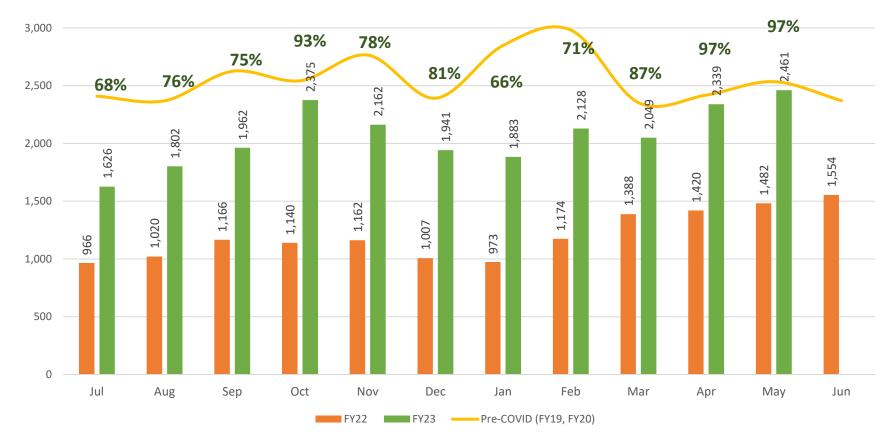
# **Monthly Ridership**



- April ridership = 58,551
  - Up 71% over April 22
- FY23 ridership through April = 507,521
  - Ridership to date up 85% over FY22



#### **Average Weekday Ridership**



- April Average Weekday ridership: 2,339
  - 97% of pre-COVID (April 2019)
- May Average Weekday ridership (to date): 2,461



# FY 23 Annual Ridership Goal

+18.6% +14.0% 60,000 -0.3% -10% +4.5%+9.1% -4% +5.4% -2.1% 50,000 +.03%40,000 30,000 20,000 10,000 0 July November December August September October January February March April Mav June □ Goal ■ Actual

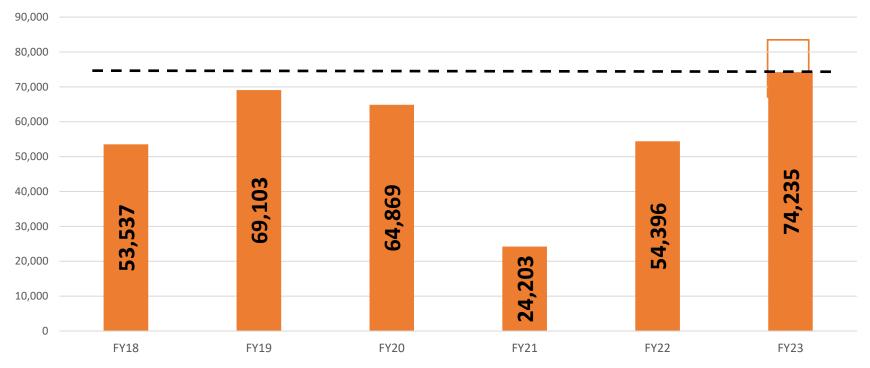
- SMART forecasted a 68% ridership increase for FY23 (594,000 riders)
- Trending 3.7% above goal year-to-date

70,000

FY23 ridership through April = 507,521



#### **Bikes on Board**



- FY23 bike boardings = 74,235
  - Previous record (FY19) = 69,103
  - FY23 bike boardings 7.4% higher than FY19
- Projected to carry over 90,000 bikes in FY23
  - 30% higher than previous record



# **Starlighter Service**



- Starlighter service began on Friday, May 4th
- Averaging 67 riders per night
- Added service should tap new market and boost ridership on earlier trips
- Continue marketing Friday and Saturday evening destinations





#### **SMART Connect**





- Soft launch begins Monday June 12th
- Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Friday, June 16th, at 3 PM



# **Questions?**



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