WCAG 2.1 Level AA Success Criteria

COMPLIANCE AUDIT

For valleywestmortgage.com | Verdict: Compliant!

This audit evaluates the adherence level of **valleywestmortgage.com** as of Mon Oct 25 2021, to the "Web Content Accessibility Guidelines" (WCAG) 2.1 level AA success criteria.

Below you'll find the results for dozens of tests that focus mainly on 3 categories: **screen-reader** adjustments(for blind users), **keyboard navigation** adjustments (for the motor impaired) and **UI, design, and readability** adjustments (for the vision impaired).

#	Requirement	Relevant	Successes	Failures	Score
1	An H1 title provides information to blind-users using screen-readers of what the main topic of the page is and each page should have exactly one H1 title.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<h1 id="headline-63-6" class="ct-headline ">Get a loan tailored to your specific needs.</h1>
```

#	Requirement	Relevant	Successes	Failures	Score
2	HTML title elements (H1-6) should have texts. If images or links are used, they should include an alternative or screen-reader only text.	Yes	17	0	100%
3	Elements that visually appear as titles but are coded with a non-heading HTML Tag should include a "role" attribute that equals to "heading" or have their tags fixed.	No	0	0	-

4	Title levels should not be skipped and should be built with consistent hierarchy. For example: you cannot have "h4" titles and "h2" titles without having "h3" titles.	Yes	Pass	-	100%
5	Tables that are being used as layout structures should include a "role" attribute that equals to "presentation" to indicate to screen-readers that it is not really a table.	No	0	0	-
6	If nested tables are used (a table element within a table cell), set the nested tables "role" attribute to "presentation".	No	0	0	-
7	Tables that are missing a THEAD row with TH elements, should include a "role" attribute that equals to "rowheader" on the TD elements of the TR that represents the visual table headings.	No	0	0	-
8	Interactive elements such as links, buttons and form fields should all be navigable using the keyboard by either using a focusable element (a, button, input, etc.) or including the "tabindex" attribute that equals to "0".	Yes	Pass	-	100%
9	Interactive elements that can be navigated using the keyboard should be surrounded by a visual outline whenever they are focused.	Yes	Pass	-	100%
10	Active popups should include an "aria-modal" attribute that equals to "true", and a "role" attribute that equals to "dialog", so screen-reader users know how to navigate within it.	No	0	0	-

11	Every page should include hidden links that by clicking on them (either using keyboard navigation or a screen-reader), the user will "skip" certain blocks directly to main landmarks such as main content, menu or footer.	Yes	Pass	-	100%
12	Elements that are hidden using CSS manipulations (opacity, height, text-indent, off-canvas, etc.) should be wrapped inside an element with an "aria-hidden" attribute that equals to "false", or include it directly, and have it dynamically changed to "true" when they become visible.	No	0	0	-
13	Elements that are hidden using CSS manipulations (opacity, height, text-indent, off-canvas, etc.) should include a "tabindex" attribute that is below 0, and have it dynamically changed to 0 when they become visible.	No	0	0	-
14	Menus should either be built using the HTML5 "nav" element or include a "role" attribute that equals to "menu" or "navigation" to indicate a navigation landmark for screen-readers.	Yes	4	0	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<nav id="_nav_menu-73-41" class="oxy-nav-menu oxy-nav-menu-dropdowns oxy-nav-menu-responsive-dropdowns" role="presentation"><div class="oxy-menu-toggle " aria-hidden="true" role="button" data-acsb-textual-ops="menu" ><span data-="true" " aria-la...
```

```
<nav id="_nav_menu-224-6" class="oxy-nav-menu oxy-nav-menu-vertical" role="presentation"><div class="oxy-menu-toggle " aria-hidden="true" role="button" data-acsb-textual-ops="menu" ><span data-="true" " aria-label=" Menu " aria-hidden="false" >M...
```

```
<nav id="_nav_menu-230-6" class="oxy-nav-menu oxy-nav-menu-dropdowns oxy-nav-menu-dropdown-arrow oxy-nav-menu-vertical" role="presentation"><div class="oxy-menu-toggle " aria-hidden="true" role="button" data-acsb-textual-ops="menu" ><span data-=...
```

```
<nav id="_nav_menu-255-6" class="oxy-nav-menu " role="presentation"><div class="
oxy-menu-toggle " aria-hidden="true" role="button" data-acsb-textual-ops="menu" ><
span data-="true" " aria-label=" Menu " aria-hidden="false" >Menu</span><div class=.
..
```

15	Menu items that have a dropdown menu include an "aria-haspopup" attribute that equals to "true".	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a href="#" data-acsb-menu="a" role="button" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" aria-h
aspopup="true" aria-expanded="false" class=" ">More</a>
```

16	Menu items that have a dropdown menu include an "aria-expanded" attribute that equals to "false" that changes to "true" and back when opening or closing the dropdown.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a href="#" data-acsb-menu="a" role="button" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" aria-h
aspopup="true" aria-expanded="false" class=" ">More</a>
```

17	Carousels should include an "aria-label" attribute that equals to "carousel"/"slider" or something else that indicates the functionality, as well as be tagged as a landmark for screen-readers using a "role" tag that equals to "contentinfo".	No	0	0	-
18	Control elements such as next and previous icons should include an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only text that explains the functionality to	No	0	0	-

screen-readers.

19	A common accessibility mistake is to treat carousels as live regions using the "aria-live" attribute and the "polite" or the "assertive values. Using this practice will cause screen-readers to cut and skip announcements.	No	0	0	-
20	Carousel pagination items (usually used as small dots at the bottom of the carousel) should indicate their functionality and slide number they control using an "aria-label" and a screen-reader only text.	No	0	0	-
21	The title tag of the HEAD section (also the title that appears in the browser tab and Search Engine result pages) should exist and describe the name of the current webpage for screen-reader users.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<title>Competitive Home Mortgage Rates &amp; Refinances | Las Vegas Mortgage</title>
```

22	The HTML tag should include a "lang" attribute that represents the main language of the webpage so screen-readers can calibrate on it for blind users.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<html lang="en-US" data-bubblesppbfhhgcdehhbjigifndnfmcihegokbbprevent-events-conflict-installed="true" class="acsb-light-contrast"><head> <base href="https:///valleywestmortgage.com"><meta name="aceClient" content="true"><meta name="aceToken" conten...
```

| 23 | The meta viewport tag should allow vision impaired users to pinch-zoom at least double the standard scaling using the user-scalable="yes" and maximum-scale={2 or higher} content strings. | Yes | Pass | - | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<meta name="viewport" content="width=device-width">
```

| 24 | Landmarks such as main content and footer should be built using their corresponding HTML5 element or include a description using an "aria-label" attribute and a "role" tag that equals to "contentinfo" or "main". Landmarks such as search and navigation are tested in other sections. | Yes | 2 | 0 | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<div id="div_block-62-6" class="ct-div-block owl--m" data-acsb-main="true" role="main"><h1 id="headline-63-6" class="ct-headline ">Get a loan tailored to your specific needs.</h1><div id="text_block-64-6" class="ct-text-block " role="heading" aria-le...
```

```
<section id="section-216-6" class="ct-section site-footer pad-section--s " data-acsb-page-footer="true" role="contentinfo" aria-label="Footer"><div class="ct-section-inner-wrap"><div id="div_block-237-6" class="ct-div-block owl--l"><div id="div_block...
```

| 25 | Form fields should either include an "aria-label" attribute or a connected LABEL element describing the requirement of the field (email, phone, name, etc.). | No | 0 | 0 | - |

| 26 | Form elements cannot have the same ID, or else their corresponding label will | No | 0 | 0 | - |

	provide false information.			
27	Required form fields should include an "aria-required" attribute that equals to "true" so blind users using screen-readers know their validation.	No	0	0	-
28	The validity status of every form element must be represented in the code at all times using the "aria-invalid" attributes and the "true/false" values, and change dynamically when the status changes.	No	0	0	-
29	aria-describedby and aria-labeledby attributes should be connected by ID to an element that either has text description or an "aria-label" attribute.	No	0	0	-
30	All forms should have a submission button that is built as an input type "submit" or a "button" element, or include a "role" tag that equals to "button". Buttons can be hidden if the form can be submitted using the Enter key.	No	0	0	-
31	Search forms should include a "role" tag that equals to "search" (or be wrapped by one) to indicate a search landmark for screen-readers.	No	0	0	-
32	Visually deleted texts (often used to show a previous price of a sale) should include an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only text that explains this is deleted text.	No	0	0	-
33	Breadcrumbs main element should include a "role" attribute that equals to "navigation" and an "aria-label" attribute that describes the functionality."	No	0	0	-

34	Ratings/scores that are represented visually using stars, meters or other indicators should either have an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only texts conveying the score/rate.	No	0	0	-
35	Making use of an accessibility interface helps to ensure that vision impaired users can adjust some of the UI and the design (font-size, colors, spacing, etc.) to their needs. It is not a compliance requirement, but can help to improve compliance.	Yes	Pass	-	100%
36	Iframe elements should include a "title" or an "aria-label" attribute explaining the purpose, the functionality or the destination of the iframe, or be tagged hidden for screen-readers if irrelevant.	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<iframe id="bb-iframe" width="100%" height="100%" frameborder="0" allowfullscreen
="true" scrolling="no" src="https://app.bankingbridge.com/embed/standalone?app_key
=2086676814&amp;parent_params=%7B%22processor%22%3A%22true%22%2C%22
token%22%3A%226176c3...
```

37	Images should have an alternative text description that describes both the objects and the embedded text that the image contains, using the "alt" attribute.	Yes	7	0	100%

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```
<img id="image-71-41" alt="Logo" src="https://valleywestmortgage.com/wp-content/u
ploads/2021/09/logo.png" class="ct-image" data-acsb-alt-candidate="Logo">
```

```
<img id="image-194-6" alt="Valley west couple" src="https://valleywestmortgage.com/
```

```
wp-content/uploads/2021/10/valley-west-couple.png" class="ct-image" srcset="https://v
alleywestmortgage.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/valley-west-couple.png 862w, http.
..
```

```
<img id="image-218-6" alt="Logo footer" src="https://valleywestmortgage.com/wp-con
tent/uploads/2021/10/logo-footer.png" class="ct-image" data-acsb-alt-candidate="Logo f
ooter">
```

```
<img id="image-261-42" alt="Group" src="https://valleywestmortgage.com/wp-content
/uploads/2021/10/Group-1.png" class="ct-image" data-acsb-alt-candidate="Group">
```

```
<img id="image-262-42" alt="2104955" src="https://valleywestmortgage.com/wp-cont
ent/uploads/2021/10/2104955-1.png" class="ct-image" data-acsb-alt-candidate="21049
55">
```

```
<img id="image-263-42" alt="Group" src="https://valleywestmortgage.com/wp-content
/uploads/2021/10/Group-1894.png" class="ct-image" data-acsb-alt-candidate="Group">
```

```
<img id="image-264-42" alt="Group" src="https://valleywestmortgage.com/wp-content
/uploads/2021/10/Group-2.png" class="ct-image" data-acsb-alt-candidate="Group">
```

| 38 | Background images that are not just for decoration purposes and should have the same treatment as standard images and include a "role" attribute that equals to "img" and an alternative text description in an "aria-label" attribute. | No | 0 | 0 | - |
| 39 | Font icons, SVG or images that are being used as spacers, decorations or their purpose is already described by the content should include a "role" attribute that equals to "presentation" or "none". | Yes | 24 | 0 | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<svg width="75" height="76" viewBox="0 0 75 76" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.
org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path d="M22.4766
3.19414L21.726 1.17279H6.95874L5.87158 2.09966V40.3952L6.7165 40.9649H27.135
3C28.116...
```

```
<svg width="76" height="76" viewBox="0 0 76 76" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path d="M72.6602 55.5789H3.33984C2.11019 55.5789 1.11328 54.5819 1.11328 53.3523V8.82104C1.11328 7.59...
```

```
<svg xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" viewBox="0 0 1440 320" preserveAspectRatio="none" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path fill-rule="evenodd" clip-rule="evenodd" d="M0 376V25.8688C4.86411 27.707 9.96945 29.6418 15.3262 31....
```

```
<svg width="64" height="64" viewBox="0 0 64 64" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <g clip-path="url(#clip0)" > <path d="M19.5391 30.9677V23.7419C19.5391 16.9012 25.0854 11.3548 31.9262...
```

```
<svg width="60" height="60" viewBox="0 0 60 60" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path d="M4 16H56V47.75C56 48.0815 55.8683 48.3995 55.6339 48.6339C55.3995 48.8683 55.0815 49 54.75 49...
```

```
<svg width="64" height="63" viewBox="0 0 64 63" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path fill-rule="evenodd" clip-rule="evenodd" d="M11.8382 0.939011C17.8585 0.939011 22.7376 4.65251 22...
```

```
<svg xmlns:cc="http://creativecommons.org/ns#" xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/" xmlns:rdf="http://www.w3.org/1999/02/22-rdf-syntax-ns#" xmlns:inkscape="http://www.inkscape.org/namespaces/inkscape" xmlns:sodipodi="http://sodipodi.sourceforg...
```

```
<svg width="220" height="306" viewBox="0 0 220 306" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path d="M44.5109 11.6501C48.2929 11.6501 51.3587 9.05116 51.3587 5.84518C51.3587 2.63921 48.2929 ...
```

```
<svg width="96" height="16" viewBox="0 0 96 16" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path d="M11.9879 15.6418L7.60896 11.9657L3.16743 15.5698L4.85646 9.65902L0.540039 5.91074L5.91993 5.8...
```

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<svg viewBox="0 0 1443 649" fill="none" xmlns="http://www.w3.org/2000/svg" aria-hidden="true" data-acsb-force-hidden="true" > <path d="M1443 85.3113C1443 85.3113 1221.63 -77.1554 812.256 46.3192C402.879 169.794 396.381 549.749 0 648.962L1443 648.96...
```

40	Figure elements that are used to display images should have a "role" attribute that equals to "none" and the image provide itself should provide the description using an "alt" attribute.	No	0	0	-
41	Every "area" element of a "map" tag should be regarded as a standard image and receive an alternative text description using an "alt" attribute.	No	0	0	-
42	Small or hidden tracker pixel images (often used for analytics or marketing purposes) should include a "role" attribute that equals to "none" or "presentation" so they are excluded from screen-readers.	No	0	0	-
43	Font sizes should be at least 11px in size in order to stay readable in the majority of font families. This should be verified also when using dynamic units such as REM or percents.	Yes	Pass	-	100%
44	Letter spacing should not be set to below -1px in order to stay readable in the majority of font families. This should be verified also when using dynamic units such as REM or percents.	Yes	Pass	-	100%
45	Elements that have texts should meet a minimum contrast ratio of 4.5:1 between their foreground (usually text color) and background color.	Yes	75	0	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/purchase/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" data-acsb-tooltip="Use ←/→ to navigate" >Purchase</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/refinance/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" >Refinance</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/valley-west-mortgage-rates-updated/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" >Today's rates</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/reviews/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" >Testimonials</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/contact/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" >Contact</a>
```

```
<a href="#" data-acsb-menu="a" role="button" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" aria-haspopup="true" aria-expanded="false" class=" ">More</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/fast-quote/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" >Get my quote</a>
```

```
<h1 id="headline-63-6" class="ct-headline ">Get a loan tailored to your specific needs.</h1>
```

```
<div id="text_block-64-6" class="ct-text-block " role="heading" aria-level="4">Forget the haggle and the hassle, find the right type of loan for you and your family.</div>
```

```
<h5 id="headline-108-6" class="ct-headline ">Trusted by home owners in 25+ states</h5>
```

46	Elements that behave as buttons but are built using other tags such as span, div, a or others, should include a "role" attribute that equals to "button".	Yes	Pass	-	100%

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a href="#" data-acsb-menu="a" role="button" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" aria-h
```

```
aspopup="true" aria-expanded="false" class=" ">More</a>
```

| 47 | Buttons should include text explaining their functionality, and if icons are used as buttons, a screen-reader only text or an "aria-label" attribute should be used for that description. | Yes | Pass | - | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a href="#" data-acsb-menu="a" role="button" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" aria-h
aspopup="true" aria-expanded="false" class=" ">More</a>
```

| 48 | Links should include text that is setting expectations to what page they are leading to. If empty links are used as layout wrapping elements, a screen-reader only text or an "aria-label" attribute should be used for that description. | Yes | 44 | 0 | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a id="link-70-41" class="ct-link" href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/" data-acsb-scr
ape-url="https://valleywestmortgage.com/"><img id="image-71-41" alt="Logo" src="ht
tps://valleywestmortgage.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/logo.png" class="ct-im...
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/purchase/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-m
enu-root-link="true" data-acsb-tooltip="Use ←/→ to navigate" >Purchase</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/refinance/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-m
enu-root-link="true" >Refinance</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/valley-west-mortgage-rates-updated/" data-a
csb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="true" >Today's rates</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/reviews/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-me
nu-root-link="true" >Testimonials</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/contact/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-me
nu-root-link="true" >Contact</a>
```

```
<a href="https://valleywestmortgage.com/fast-quote/" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-
menu-root-link="true" >Get my quote</a>
```

```
<a target="_blank" rel="noopener" href="https://www.secureloandocs.com/app/619589
36" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="tr
ue" ><span data-="true" " aria-label=" New Window " aria-hidden="false" >New Windo
w...
```

```
<a id="link_button-263-6" class="ct-link-button rounded--xs btn--primary " href="https://
valleywestmortgage.com/todays-rates/" >Compare rates</a>
```

```
<a id="link_button-133-6" class="ct-link-button btn--white rounded--xs " href="https://va
lleywestmortgage.com/fast-quote/" >See my rate</a>
```

| 49 | Links that open in a new tab or a new window should either have an "aria-label" attribute or a screen-reader only element explaining to screen-readers that this opens in a new tab. | Yes | 13 | 0 | 100% |

Code snapshots of some successful elements

```
<a target="_blank" rel="noopener" href="https://www.secureloandocs.com/app/619589
36" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" data-acsb-menu="a" data-acsb-menu-root-link="tr
ue" ><span data-="true" " aria-label=" New Window " aria-hidden="false" >New Windo
w...
```

```
<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://www.google.com/search?q=v
alley+west+mortgage+google&amp;oq=valley+west+mortgage+google&amp;aqs=ch
rome..69i57j69i60l2.4897j0j4&amp;sourceid=chrome&amp;ie=UTF-8#lrd=0x80c8c71cf
1a6a7d3:0x6acb5890...
```

```
<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://birdeye.com/valley-we…gage-
148364708131159" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" data-acsb-scrape-url="https://bird
eye.com/valley-we…gage-148364708131159"> <span data-="true" " aria-label=" New .
..
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```
<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://www.instagram.com/valleywe
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stmortgage/" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" > InstagramNew Window<svg width="48" height=
...

<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://twitter.com/valleywest" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" > TwitterNew Window<svg width="48" height="48" viewBox="0 0 4...

<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://www.facebook.com/valleywestmortgage/" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" > FacebookNew Window<svg width="48" height="4
...

<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://www.yelp.com/biz/valley-west-mortgage-las-vegas-2" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" > YelpNew Window<svg width="48" heigh...

<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://www.zillow.com/lender-profile/Valley%20West%20Mortgage/" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" > AccountNew Window<svg wid...

<a target="_blank" class="svg-icons-footer" href="https://threebestrated.com/mortgage-companies-in-las-vegas-nv" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" data-acsb-scrape-url="https://threebestrated.com/mortgage-companies-in-las-vegas-nv"> <span data-="...

<a id="link-265-42" class="ct-link" href="https://www.bbb.org/us/nv/las-vegas/profile/mortgage-broker/valley-west-mortgage-1086-72316" target="_blank" data-acsb-tooltip="New Window" ><span data-="true" " aria-label=" Account " aria-hidden="false" ...