DFW adds more than 1 million new residents per decade, and current transportation funding is not keeping pace with the need to maintain roadways and serve the growing population.

Needed: $431.5 billion
Funded: $118.9 billion

Funding challenges partly stem from the fact that the gas tax has lost most of its purchasing power. State fuel taxes have not increased since 1991; federal fuel taxes have not increased since 1993; construction costs are increasing, and vehicles are more fuel-efficient.
TEXpress Lanes provide transportation choices, **reduce congestion**, lower maintenance obligations for the state, manage travel demand, and free up capacity in the other travel lanes. They bring **economic development**, increased property values, and additional tax revenues. **Air quality** is positively impacted due to less stop-and-go traffic conditions. Corridors with TEXpress Lanes have been improved or completely rebuilt with both tolled and non-tolled lanes.

TEXpress Lanes provide needed transportation choices for North Texas residents, and are designed for drivers who want a reliable and time-saving trip to various destinations.