Fiscal Year 2020 (FY20) Public Transportation Funding: Programs of Projects
Public Transportation is...

Part of a comprehensive transportation system
Investing in Public Transportation

Has a positive economic impact within communities

- Every $1 invested in public transportation generates $5 in economic returns
- Every $1 billion invested in public transportation supports and creates approximately 50,000 jobs

Reduces roadway congestion and improves air quality

- Communities that invest in public transit reduce the nation’s carbon emissions by 37 million metric tons annually
- In 2019, Americans took 9.9 billion trips on public transportation

APTA 2020 Fact Book
### General Types of Transit Service

#### Fixed Route
- Vehicle operates along a prescribed route according to a fixed schedule
- Typically implemented in areas where transit demand can support it

#### Commuter Bus
- A variation of fixed route, primarily connects outlying areas to a central city/area
- Typically operates in one direction during peak periods

#### Demand Response
- Shared-ride service that uses smaller vehicles to provide flexible curb-to-curb service
- Typically used for first/last mile applications or in areas with lower transit demand

#### Rail or High Intensity Bus
- Serves long-distance regional corridors with high transit demand
- Rail requires exclusive Right-of-Way, whereas exclusive bus lanes for High Intensity Bus are not required
# Federal Formula Funding Programs for Urban Areas

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| 5307    | Urbanized Area Formula (Includes Job Access/Reverse Commute projects) | Serve general public including low income workers | • Capital  
• Operating  
• Planning |
| 5310    | Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities | Serve the needs of the elderly and disabled population | • Capital  
• Operating |
| 5337    | State of Good Repair | Maintain rail services | • Capital |
| 5339    | Bus and Bus Facilities | Purchase vehicles and/or maintain bus services | • Capital |
Awarding Federal Formula Funds in the Region

Region received $133.2M in Federal Transit Administration (FTA) formula funds through the FY20 full apportionment award cycle.

Two Processes Used to Award Funds

~ 2% set aside for Strategic Partnerships

~ 98% available annually through Programs of Projects (POP) process - how public transportation providers in the region utilize funds

1 Detailed list of projects can be found in the Fiscal Year 2020 Programs of Projects
Fiscal Year 2020 Programs of Projects

**FY2020 FTA Funds by Agency Type**  
$129.2M\(^1\)  
- Transit Authorities: $118.78M  
- All Others: $10.42M  

**FY2020 FTA Funds by Project Type**  
$129.2M\(^1\)  
- Preventive Maintenance: $97.10M  
- Vehicle Purchases: $6.60M  
- Operations: $7.74M  
- Other Capital Items: $17.76M  

\(^1\) This amount does not include the 2% set aside from the Section 5307 apportionment for JARC projects or the funding available through Section 5310 for Strategic Partnerships.
Fiscal Year 2020 Programs of Projects

DISTRIBUTION BY PROVIDER

- FWTA: 21%
- DCTA*: 7%
- DART: 64%
- All Others: 8%

DISTRIBUTION BY PROJECT TYPE

- Maintenance: 75%
- Other Capital Items: 14%
- Operations: 6%
- Vehicles: 5%

* DCTA funding comes from the Denton-Lewisville Urbanized Area
Transportation Development Credits

- Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) are a non-cash financing tool (i.e., they do not increase funding for a project) that is used in lieu of the local cash match requirement for federal funds.

- TDCs are “earned” by the region when toll revenues are used to fund capital projects on public highways.

- The Regional Transportation Council may award TDCs to agencies that depend upon financing tools to implement capital projects.

- The following transit agencies have requested TDCs in lieu of the local match component for capital projects:
  - City of Arlington, City of Grand Prairie, DCTA, FWTA, NCTCOG, NETS, PTS, Span Inc., and STAR Transit.
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