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## **TPB REGIONAL PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE (RPTS)**

Tuesday, October 28, 2025  
12:00 – 2:00 P.M.  
Conference Room 1 (Hybrid)

Chair: Stephen Miller, MTA

### **AGENDA**

- 12:00 P.M. 1. WELCOME**  
*Stephen Miller, RPTS Chair*
- 12:05 P.M. 2. WSTC'S MARYLAND METROACCESS STRATEGY STUDY**  
*Ryan Traher, WSTC Transit Analyst*
- 12:30 P.M. 3. PBPP - REGIONAL TRANSIT SAFETY TARGETS – SECOND UPDATE**  
*Pierre Gaunard, TPB Transportation Planner*
- 12:50 P.M. 4. TPB TRANSIT DATA NEEDS AND REQUEST PROCESS – MOBILITY ANALYTICS PROGRAM UPDATE**  
*Charlene Howard TPB Planning Data Resources Manager*  
*Ian Newman, TPB Travel Monitoring and Planning Assistance Program Manager*
- 1:20 P.M. 5. TPB TRANSPORTATION RESILIENCE “EXTREME HEAT” ANALYSIS UPDATE**  
*Katherine Rainone, TPB Transportation Planner*
- 1:40 P.M. 6. DMVMOVES UPDATE - FALL ACTIVITIES**  
*Pierre Gaunard, TPB Transportation Planner*
- 1:55 P.M. 7. OTHER BUSINESS**  
*Stephen Miller, RPTS Chair*
- 2:00 P.M. 8. ADJOURN**  
*Stephen Miller, RPTS Chair*

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# Washington Suburban Transit Commission

## Maryland MetroAccess Strategy Study

October 28, 2025

Presented at the COG TPB  
Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee

# Background

WSTC is the liaison between the State of Maryland, WMATA, and Montgomery County and Prince George's County.

- Coordinates public transit services with the two Maryland counties, the Maryland Department of Transportation, and WMATA.
- Acts as the financial conduit for funding public transit on behalf of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties.

State of Maryland provides the funding for MetroAccess in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties.

- Maryland's funding represents disproportionate amount of total MetroAccess costs compared to D.C. and the Northern Virginia jurisdictions.

# Why is the Study Needed?

## Federal ADA Mandate

*MetroAccess – the region’s ADA paratransit service mandated by Federal ADA law is required to meet all demand from eligible individuals with disabilities. “No capacity constraints.”*

## Maryland’s Cost Burden

*Maryland’s costs for MetroAccess are the highest of the region’s jurisdictions because ridership in the two Maryland counties, which corresponds to cost, is the highest.*

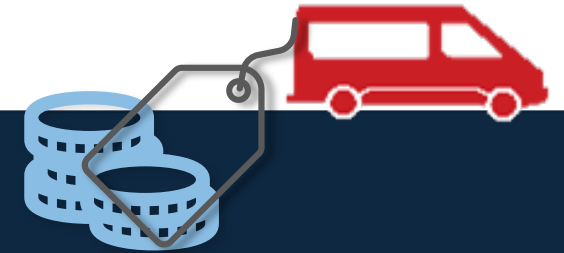
*In FY24, Maryland’s cost was 61% of the total cost of \$199 M.*

## Rising Costs

*Maryland’s costs for MetroAccess are increasing, from \$117 M in FY22 to \$121 M in FY24.*

## Maryland Pays for All Trips

*Maryland pays the cost for all MetroAccess trips in Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties.*



**Understanding how to provide MetroAccess while managing the long-term cost curve is a **critical need** for the State of Maryland.**

# Study Objective

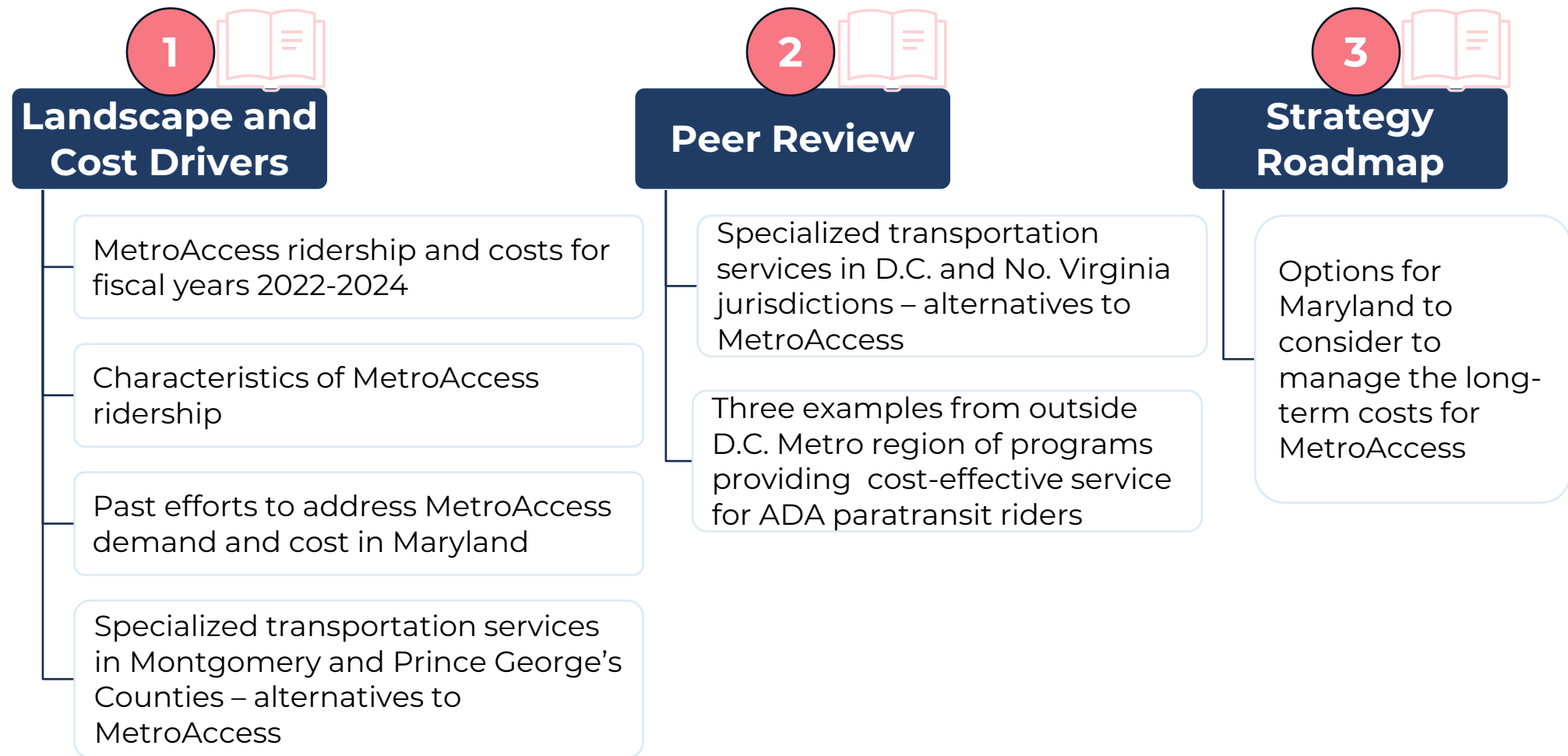
To provide a strategy  
**“roadmap”** to the State of  
Maryland for managing  
the long-term costs for  
MetroAccess while  
ensuring the provision of  
quality paratransit.

Customer Guide  
to MetroAccess

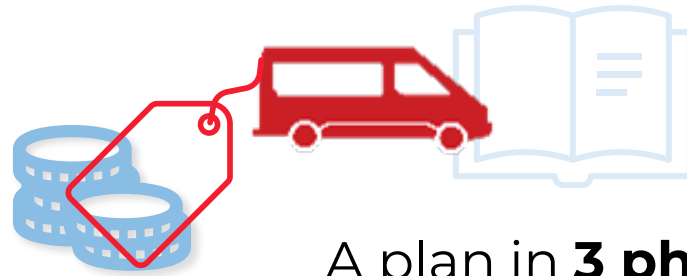
See the Q&A  
about changes to  
MetroAccess

metro  access  
Effective July 2024

# Study Tasks



# The Strategy Roadmap



A plan in **3 phases**

to facilitate discussions between the State of Maryland, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, WMATA, and other stakeholders

to determine preferred **strategy** approaches **to manage Maryland's costs for MetroAccess** that will also ensure quality service for the riders.





# STRATEGY ROADMAP

Phase **1**

**Understanding  
MetroAccess & Its Costs**



# MetroAccess

– ADA Paratransit Provided by WMATA

Complies with  
**Federal ADA  
law.**

**Required to serve ¾-mile  
corridors of fixed routes,**  
including WMATA's Metrobus and  
Metrorail and local jurisdictions'  
fixed routes, e.g. Ride On in  
Montgomery Co. and TheBus in  
Prince George's Co.

**Next-day,  
shared ride,  
door-to-door**  
service for  
eligible people  
with disabilities.

*Includes Ride On and TheBus routes within the service  
area required for WMATA's service and Ride On and  
TheBus routes that extend beyond what is required for  
WMATA's service.*

# Abilities-Ride

– an alternative service

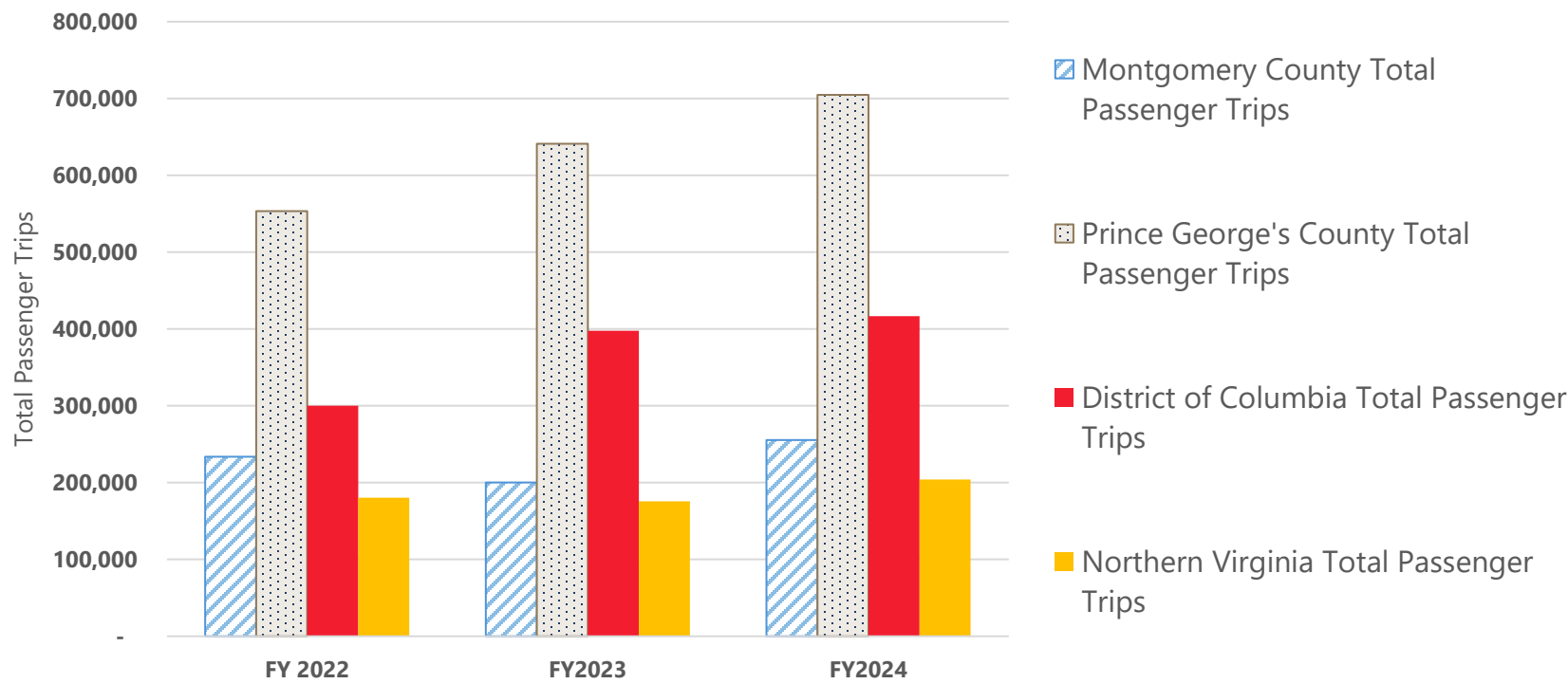
**WMATA shifts  
MetroAccess trips  
to lower cost  
providers**  
(Uber, taxis, van  
companies).

Generates  
**significant savings  
distributed**  
proportionally to all  
jurisdictions.

**Cost per trip:  
\$33 vs. \$106** for  
MetroAccess  
(averaged over FYs  
22-24)

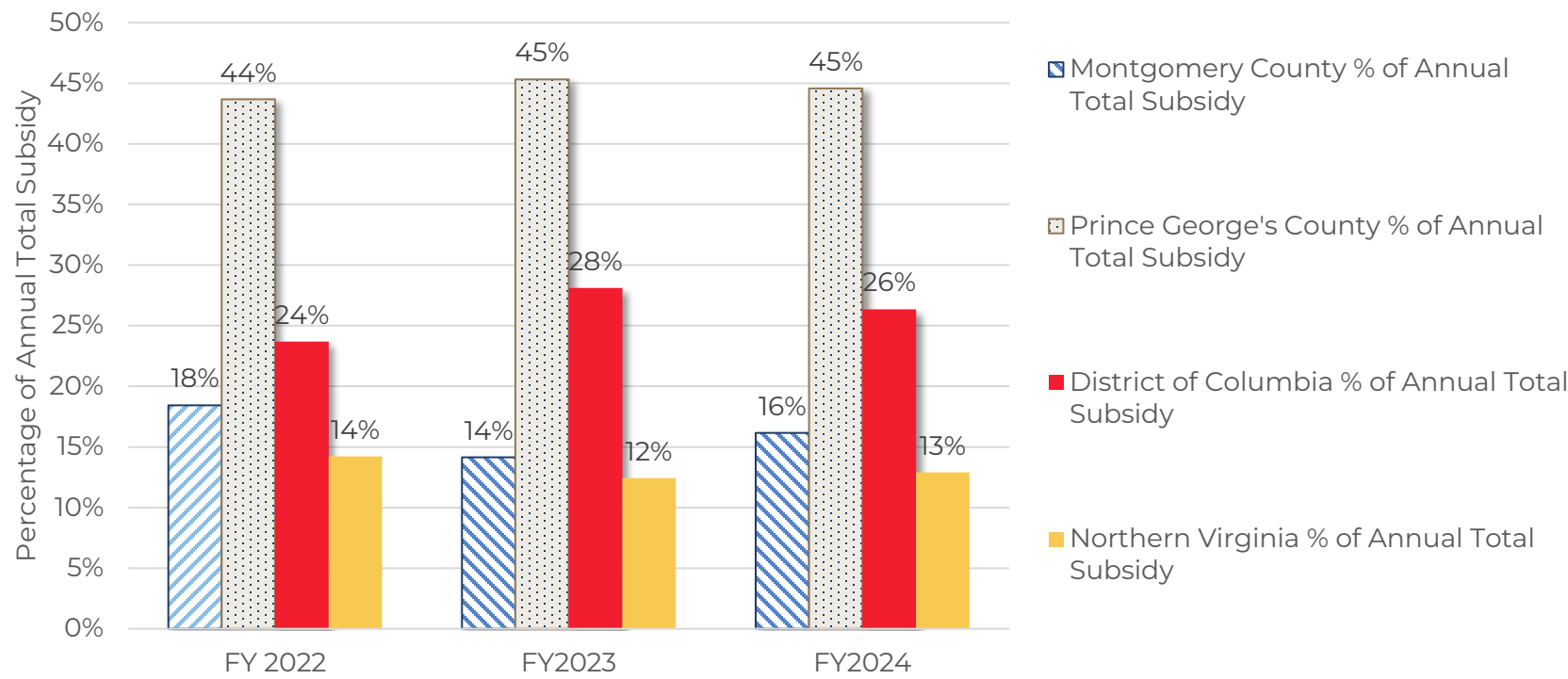
# MetroAccess Ridership

Total MetroAccess Ridership by Jurisdictions



# MetroAccess: Annual Subsidy Shares by Jurisdiction

Total MetroAccess Subsidies from Jurisdictions



# Maryland's Cost for MetroAccess

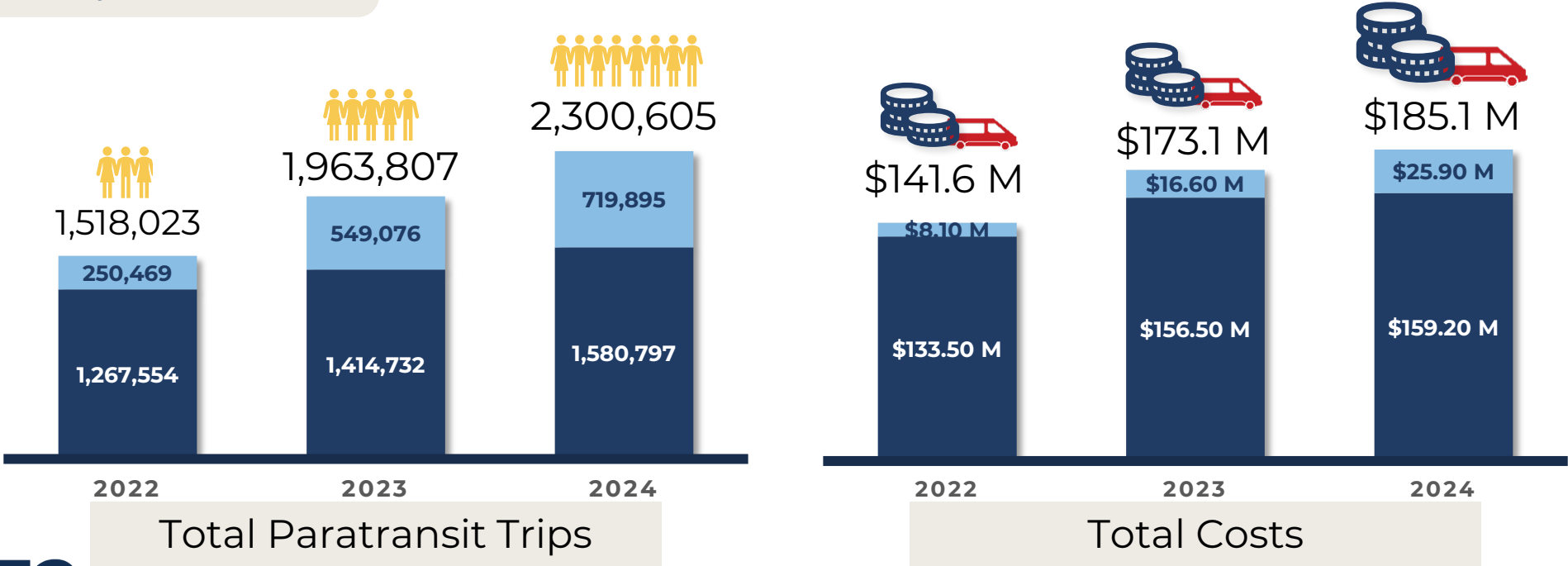
	FY2022	FY2023	FY2024	Change from FY2022- 2024	
Maryland	\$117,285,911	\$114,529,827	\$120,878,532	\$3,592,622	3%
Montgomery County	\$34,810,889	\$27,257,992	\$32,164,204	-\$2,646,685	-8%
Prince George's County	\$82,475,022	\$87,271,835	\$88,714,328	\$6,239,307	8%

# Total Ridership – MetroAccess + Abilities-Ride

Total ridership on MetroAccess plus Abilities-Ride **increased 52%** from FY 22 to FY 24.

Compare to increase of 48% on Metrobus and 89% on Metrorail over same three years.

Abilities Ride MetroAccess



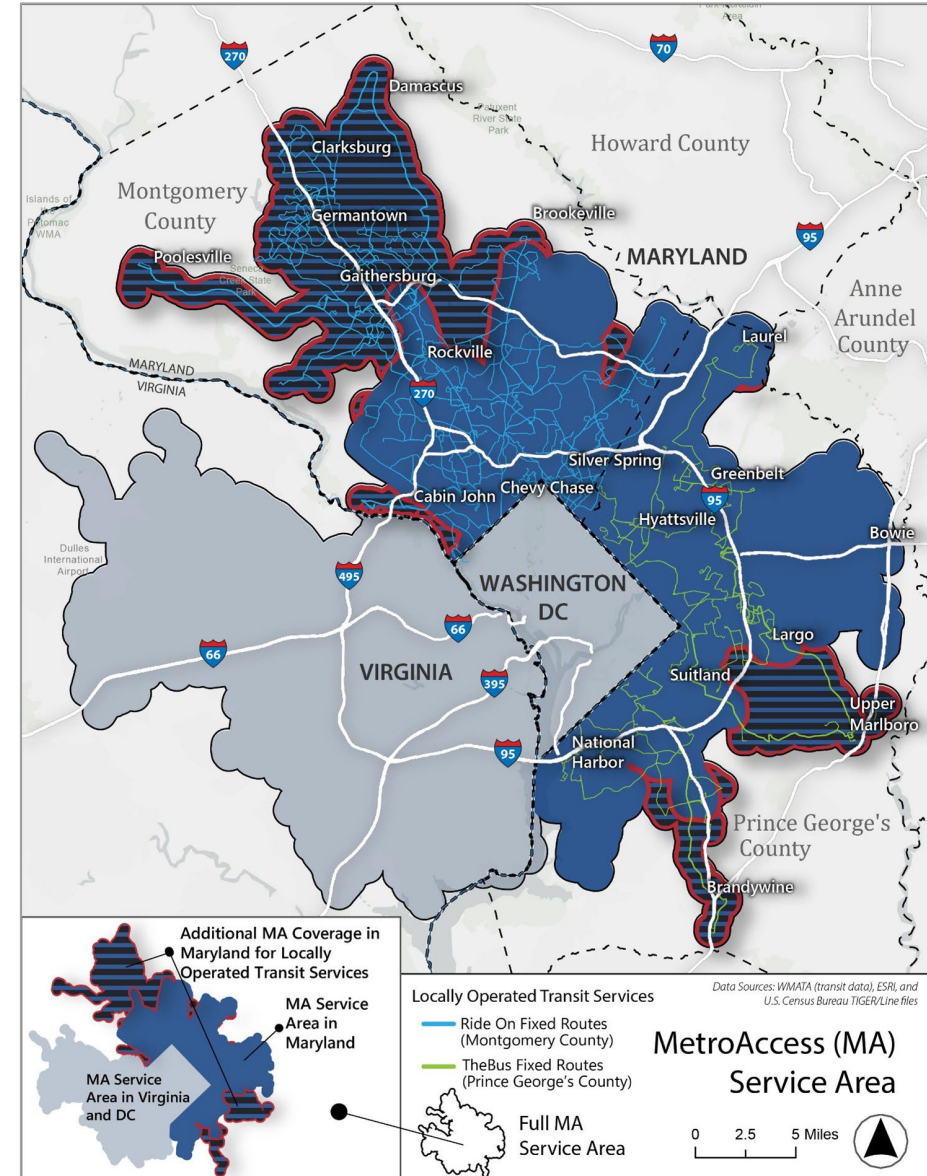


# Who Pays for MetroAccess?

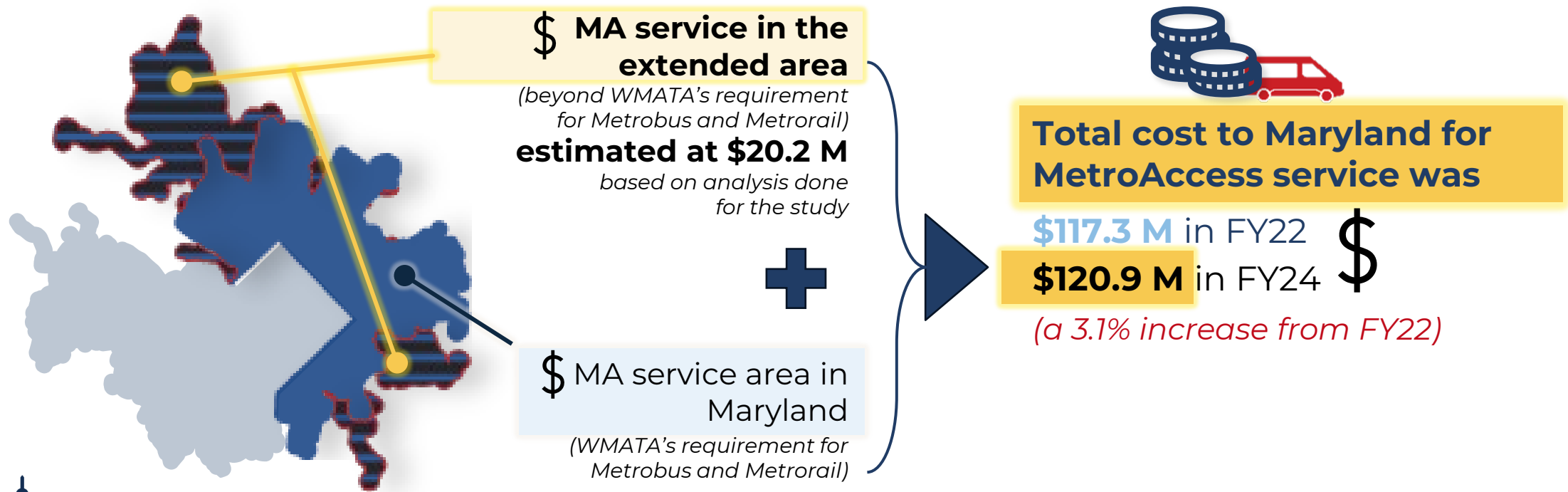
**State of Maryland** pays all costs for MetroAccess service in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties.

Includes costs for MetroAccess required for Ride On and TheBus services **within** the service area required for WMATA's Metrobus and Metrorail.

Also includes costs for MetroAccess required for Ride On and TheBus services that **extend beyond** the service area required for WMATA's Metrobus and Metrorail.



# Maryland pays for MetroAccess (MA) in Montgomery and Prince George's Counties



# Trips Driving Demand for MetroAccess

## Montgomery County



*Support Services for People with Disabilities*



*Medical Facilities*



*Dialysis*



## Prince George's County



*Adult Day Care*



*Dialysis*



*Support Services for People with Disabilities*



# County-Funded Specialized Transportation Services:

Lower Cost Alternatives to MetroAccess

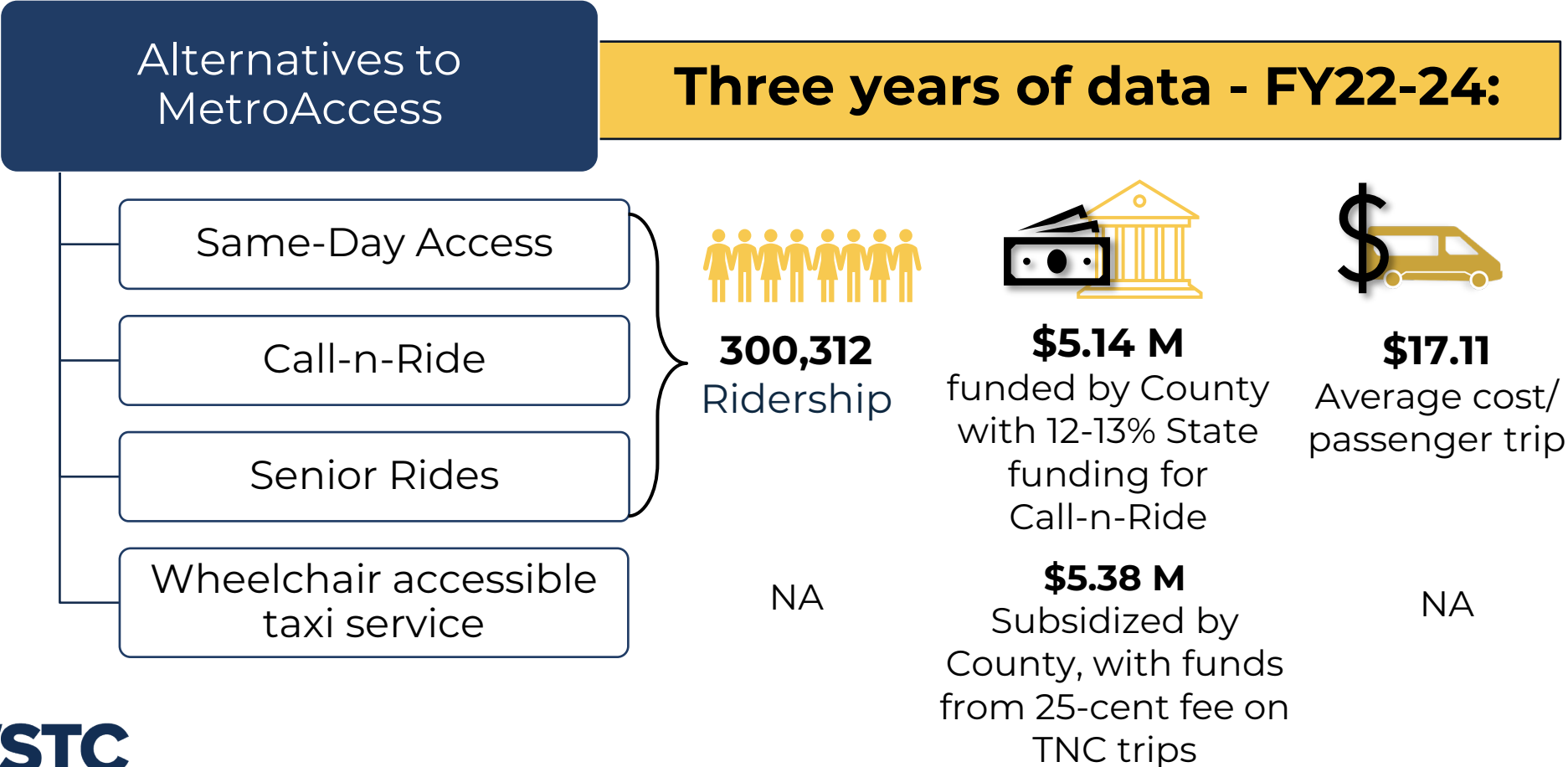
Higher level of support for specialized transportation in Montgomery Co. vs. Prince George's Co.

Contributes to lower MetroAccess ridership in Montgomery vs. Prince George's Counties.



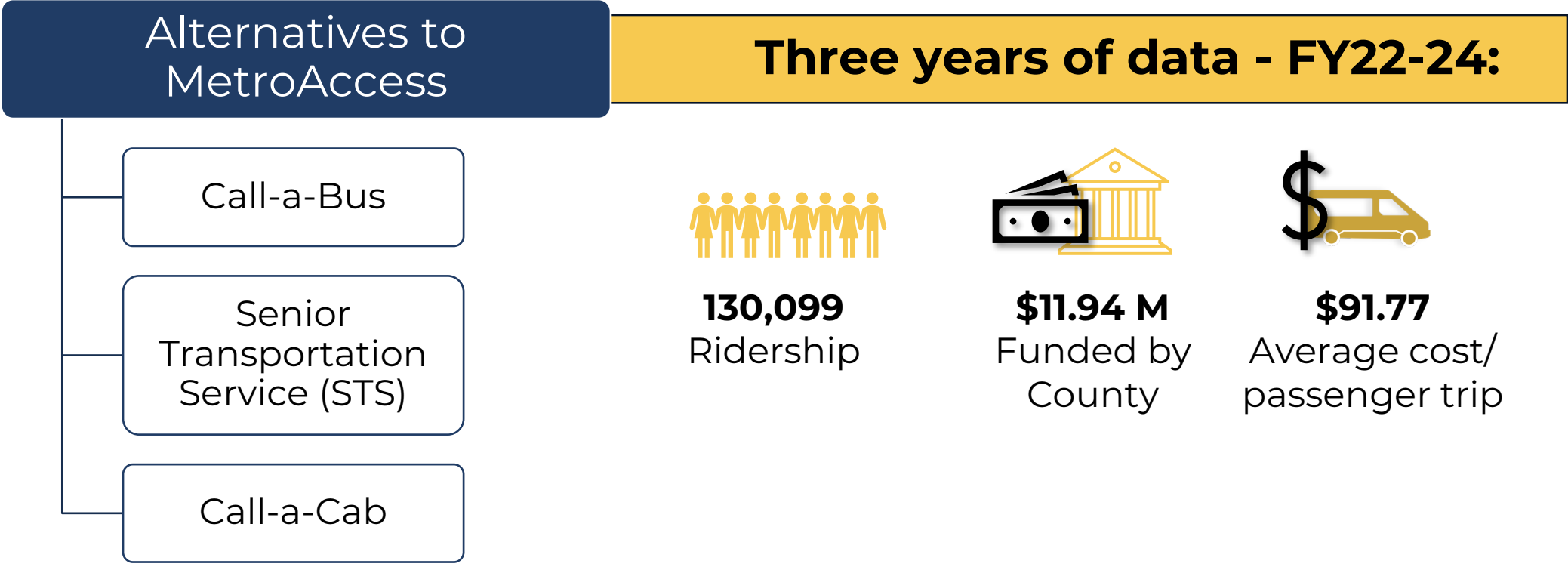
# Specialized Transportation

## Montgomery County



# Specialized Transportation

## Prince George's County





# Efforts to Address Maryland's Costs

## Past Effort

### **CAPS**

(Coordinated Alternative  
to Paratransit Services)

- » Pilot in Montgomery Co. with a human service agency (HSA) sponsored by Maryland DOT from 2013-2015
- » HSA managed its client transportation day-to-day with designated provider
- » Per trip cost was 40% less than a MetroAccess trip

## Current Efforts

### **Abilities-Ride** Partnerships

- » WMATA developed, evolved from CAPS pilot
- » Current partnerships with 3 HSAs, 2 in Montgomery Co. and 1 in Prince George's Co.
- » Each HSA has a designated provider; HSA manages its client transportation
- » Savings do not go directly to Maryland, but commingled with all Abilities-Ride savings



# STRATEGY ROADMAP

Phase **2**

**Engaging on  
Strategy Approaches**

# Phase 2: Engaging on Strategy Approaches

State, two Maryland Counties, WMATA, and other stakeholders



**Three strategy approaches (complementary and not mutually exclusive), each with options:**

**Support and enhance current efforts**  
*to address costs, specifically Abilities-Ride*

**3 options**

**Expand local coordination and participation**  
*from Montgomery and Prince George's Counties*

**4 options**

**Develop partnerships to serve recurring trips**  
*that would contribute to reducing demand for MetroAccess*

**2 options**



## STRATEGY APPROACH #1

3 options

# Support and Enhance Current Efforts

**Focuses on Abilities-Ride and its significant role in reducing costs for MetroAccess,**

with savings shared proportionally across the jurisdictions.  
*(No direct savings to Maryland)*

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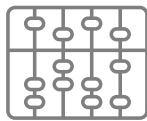
Update Paratransit Subsidy Allocation Formula to formalize and make clear the process by which the savings from Abilities-Ride are calculated in the formula.

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Change Paratransit Subsidy Allocation Formula to allocate cost-saving measures to the jurisdiction where the cost savings are generated, particularly human service agency partnerships.

3

Consider charging a fare for Abilities-Ride trips





## STRATEGY APPROACH #2

4 options

# Expand Local Coordination and Participation

Expand **coordination and participation** from **Montgomery and Prince George's Counties** to improve decision-making about costs and payment for MetroAccess.

- 1 Improve local fixed route planning and coordination with the State to recognize impacts on MetroAccess costs.
- 2 Continue and consider expanding local county-based specialized transportation services that provide lower-cost alternatives to MetroAccess.
- 3 ADA paratransit service for Montgomery and Prince George's Counties
- 4 Cost sharing for MetroAccess trips beyond the ADA paratransit service area required for WMATA's Metrobus and Metrorail.





## STRATEGY APPROACH #3

2 options

# Develop Partnerships to Serve Recurring Trips

Focus on **recurring trips** that drive demand for MetroAccess.



1 Alternative Transportation for Dialysis Trips.

2 Alternative Transportation for Adult Day Care Trips.





# STRATEGY ROADMAP

Phase **3**

**Action**

# Phase 3: Action



## Coordinate decision-making

with the State, the two counties and other stakeholders to determine preferred strategy approaches

*Evaluate opportunities and constraints based on feasibility of finances, politics, and operations.*



## Outreach and dialogue

with MetroAccess riders and broader disability communities in the two counties for feedback.

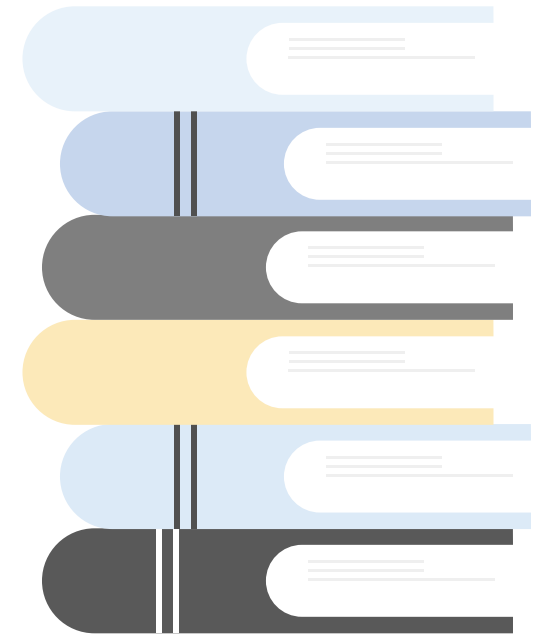


After consensus, focus on **implementation of preferred strategy** approaches and options.



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# 2025 TRANSIT AGENCY SAFETY TARGETS – SECOND UPDATE

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## Performance-Based Planning and Programming

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TPB Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee  
October 28, 2025



National Capital Region  
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# Presentation Items

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- Transit Agency Safety Plans Rule
- Transit Safety Performance Measures
- Applicability
- 2024 (FY) Regional Transit Safety Performance
- 2024 Regional Transit Safety Targets - **Adopted**
- 2025 Regional Transit Safety Targets - **Draft**
- Next Steps



# Federal Requirement – Transit Agency Safety Plans

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- Federal Performance Based Planning and Programming (PBPP) regulations requires applicable providers of public transportation to develop and certify an agency safety plan
- As of May 2024, applicable transit providers are required to annually set targets for fourteen (14) Transit Safety performance measures
- MPOs set annual regional targets for the metropolitan planning area following state/agency adoption of its Transit Safety targets





# Transit Safety Performance Measures

General Safety Performance Measures	
1a: Major Events	2.1: Transit Worker Fatality Rate (NEW)
1b: Major Event Rate	3a: Injuries
1.1: Collision Rate (NEW)	3b: Injury Rate
1.1.1: Pedestrian Collision Rate (NEW)	3.1: Transit Worker Injury Rate (NEW)
1.1.1: Vehicular Collision Rate (NEW)	4a: Assaults on Transit Workers (NEW)
2a: Fatalities	4b: Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers (NEW)
2b: Fatality Rate	5: System Reliability

Source: FTA PTASP National Safety Plan Webinar (August 2024)



# Calculation of Regional Safety Targets

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- Targets for the region are based on those adopted or identified by each provider of public transportation
- Measures are calculated for each mode:
  - Number of Fatalities/Injuries/Safety Events– total number for all providers of that mode
  - Rate of Fatalities/Injuries/Safety Events– total number for all providers of the mode divided by the total number of Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM) for that mode (reported in rate per 100,000 VRM, except for HR which is 10M VRM)
  - Mean Distance Between Failure (MDBF) – the total number of VRM for that mode divided by the total number of failures for all providers of the mode



# Applicable Regional Agencies

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- Transit safety requirements apply to providers of public transportation that are recipients and sub-recipients of federal Section 5307 funding:
  - **WMATA:** Metrorail, Metrobus, MetroAccess
  - **DDOT:** DC Streetcar
  - **MDOT-MTA:** MTA Commuter Bus
  - **PRTC:** OmniRide and OmniRide Access/Connect
  - and local systems (fixed-route and demand response) in Maryland:
    - **VanGo** (Charles Co.)
    - **Transit** (Frederick Co.)
    - **Ride On** (Montgomery Co.)
    - **The Bus** (Prince George's Co.)



# 2024 Regional Transit Safety Performance

- Based on data reported by transit agencies to the NTD in FY 2024

2024														
	Fatalities			Injuries			Safety Events		Assaults on Transit Workers		Collisions			
	Number	Rate	Transit Worker Rate	Number	Rate	Transit Worker Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rate	Pedestrian Collision Rate	Vehicular Collision Rate	VRM (NTD)
Heavy Rail (HR)	4	0.42	0	284	29.71	5.96	51	5.34	19	1.99	0.73	0.52	0.00	95,590,159
Streetcar Rail (SR)	0	0.00	0	1	0.80	0.00	5	3.98	0	0.00	2.39	0.00	2.39	125,701
Urban Bus (MB)	3	0.004	0	611	0.78	0.13	293	0.37	14	0.02	0.37	0.03	0.32	78,568,870
Commuter Bus (CB)	0	0.00	0	3	0.04	0.01	6	0.09	0	0.00	0.06	0.00	0.06	7,029,009
Demand Response	0	0.00	0	39	0.20	0.05	34	0.17	1	0.01	0.17	0.01	0.15	19,952,978
Vanpools (VP)	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,539,084

- Rate = Per 100,000 Vehicle Revenue Miles, except HR (per 10M VRM)
- “Safety Events” totals do not include events categorized as Security Events or Not Otherwise Classified (NOC) in the NTD
- Reliability data (MDBF) is not included



# 2024 Regional Transit Safety Targets

- Final targets for the region adopted by the TPB on December 18, 2024

	Fatalities			Injuries			Safety Events		Assaults on Transit Workers		Collisions			Reliability
	Number	Rate	Transit Worker Rate	Number	Rate	Transit Worker Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rate	Pedestrian Collision Rate	Vehicular Collision Rate	MDBF
Heavy Rail (HR)	0	0	0	256	24.20	9.50	127	12.80	586	59.1	2	0.00	2	29,000
Streetcar Rail (SR)	0	0	0	6	6.69	n/a	6	6.69	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1,000
Urban Bus (MB)	0	0	0	403	0.69	0.19	357	0.61	207	0.37	1.43	0.05	1.12	8,964
Commuter Bus (CB)	0	0	0	6	0.07	0.10	3	0.04	0	0	2	0	2	25,000
Demand Response (DR)	0	0	0	42	0.21	0.07	54	0.27	9	0.04	0.25	0.00	0.25	24,913
Vanpools (VP)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

- Rate = Per 100,000 Vehicle Revenue Miles, except HR (per 10M VRM)
- MDBF = Mean Distance Between Failures



# 2025 Regional Transit Safety Targets - Draft

- Under Development – Pending count data for collisions and transit worker injury rate calculations
- Missing information from Ride On, TheBus, and DC Streetcar

	Fatalities			Injuries			Safety Events		Assaults on Transit Workers		Collisions			Reliability
	Number	Rate	Transit Worker Rate	Number	Rate	Transit Worker Rate	Number	Rate	Number	Rate	Rate	Pedestrian Collision Rate	Vehicular Collision Rate	MDBF
Heavy Rail (HR)	0	0	0	288	24.60	8.70	124	10.60	545	46.5	2	0.89	0.49	32,000
Streetcar Rail (SR)	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban Bus (MB)	0	0	0	316	0.74	n/a	400	0.94	230	0.54	n/a	n/a	n/a	8,964
Commuter Bus (CB)	0	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	124	0.29	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	15,782
Demand Response (DR)	0	0	0	32	0.17	n/a	72	0.39	3	0.02	n/a	n/a	n/a	24,913
Vanpools (VP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

- Rate = Per 100,000 Vehicle Revenue Miles, except HR (per 10M VRM)
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# 2025 Safety Target Schedule

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- **Current** – Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee briefed on draft 2025 regional safety targets and provide feedback. Remaining data needed is collected.
- November – Technical Committee briefed on requirements and draft 2025 regional safety targets
- November – TPB briefed on requirements and draft 2025 regional safety targets
- December – TPB will be asked to adopt resolution with final regional transit safety targets



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# TPB TRANSIT DATA NEEDS AND REQUEST PROCESS - UPDATE

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## Mobility Analytics Program

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TPB Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee  
October 28, 2025



# A brief history of transit ridership data collection

- Enhancement of the Regional Transportation Data Clearinghouse (RTDC)
  - RTDC originally packaged collection of regional data, shared as a CD
  - VRE was one of the first (if not the first) to submit ridership data to us for inclusion in the RTDC
  - 'Transit Ridership' became a shared dataset used for many purposes within TPB
  - The Mobility Analytics Program (MAP) revamp has provided the timely opportunity to refine and enhance this data request process
- Ridership data from regional operators has been used in model validation
- Ridership data regularly collected by the Planning Data and Research team



# What we (currently) collect & what we do with it

- What we collect and are requesting
  - Average weekday transit ridership- by month, by route/line
  - By fiscal year
  - Excel or other tabular file
  - No standard format - we take what we can get
  - Needed by Tuesday, November 11, 2025

TRAPEZE_LINE	JURIS	LINE NAME	ROUTES_PER_LINE	7/1/21 Thu	7/2/21 Fri	7/6/21 Tue	7/7/21 Wed
			( ) denotes discontinued route as of 6/2022				
NON- ASSIGNED	NO JURIS	NON- ASSIGNED	NON- ASSIGNED	7,124	8,446	7,167	7,51
2	VA	Alexandria-Pentagon	10A, (E)	1,123	1,011	1,188	1,03
3	VA	Carlin Springs Rd	25B	772	787	762	81
4	VA	Alexandria-Fairfax	29K,N	1,296	1,471	1,224	1,16
5	VA	Leesburg Pike	28A	3,107	3,270	3,298	3,37
7	MD	National Harbor-Southern Ave NH1		1,102	1,135	1,122	1,05
8	VA	Annapdale	(29C),G	284	339	375	32
9	MD	Annapolis Road	T18	2,480	2,708	2,622	2,71
10	MD	Ardwick Industrial Park Shuttlf F12		139	113	158	14
11	DC	Benning Rd-H St Limited	X9	1,746	1,520	1,714	1,22
12	VA	Ballston-Farragut Square	38B	1,633	1,881	1,665	1,9C
13	MD	Greenbelt-Twinbrook	C2,4	4,397	5,243	4,911	4,85
14	DC	Benning Road-H Street	X2	6,664	7,193	7,020	6,64
15	DC	Garfield-Anacostia Loop	W6,8	850	1,236	1,140	1,17
16	MD	Beltsville-Silver Spring	14,2	2,444	2,345	2,444	2,45

Penn Weekday (Non Holidays)	Penn Avg Weekday Riders	Camden Weekday & Holiday	Camden Avg Weekday Riders	Brunswick Weekday & Holiday	Brunswick Avg
Penn	Camden	Brunswick			
166,791	8,340	23,332	1,167	33,185	
190,410	8,279	26,701	1,161	38,487	
181,302	8,633	25,377	1,208	37,987	
180,830	9,042	25,118	1,256	38,510	
171,079	8,554	25,229	1,261	36,173	
167,658	7,621	20,695	941	30,085	
175,932	8,378	26,170	1,246	38,077	
179,986	9,473	25,726	1,354	39,702	
224,976	9,782	32,646	1,419	47,872	
193,049	9,652	28,587	1,429	40,600	
237,001	10,773	31,248	1,420	46,322	
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2,069,014	8,957	290,829	1,259	427,000	

Penn Weekday (Non Holidays)	Penn Avg Weekday Riders	Camden Weekday & Holiday	Camden Avg Weekday Riders	Brunswick Weekday & Holiday	Brunswick Avg
Penn	Camden	Brunswick			

A	B	C	D	E
	Trips (UPT)	Adjusted UPT	(VRM)	Adj
July-20	23,287		115,719	
August-20	24,716		128,151	
September-20	27,987		129,157	
October-20	29,327		128,739	
November-20	23,242		110,706	
December-20	22,190		125,798	
January-21	20,036		104,835	
February-21	21,498		116,657	
March-21	31,714		141,698	
April-21	32,956		135,447	
May-21	35,237		123,007	
June-21	49,437		219,903	
FY2021 Monthly Ridership Activity (MR-20)	341,627		1,579,816	
TOTALS	341,627		1,579,816	

Note:  
Above ridership includes only VRE trains (no Amtrak Step-Up riders)  
For FY2021, reduced schedule days during COVID pandemic are counted as regular schedule days (per K. F.  
\*VRM, VRH may be adjusted at the end of the fiscal year to account for cancelled or annulled trains reported

Full Schedule - resumed 6/1/21	Coach	Locomotive	VOMS	Co
300 / 311	8	1	9	
302 / 309	7	1	8	
304 / 315	5	1	6	
306 / 305	6	1	7	
308 / 307	8	1	9	
310 / 303	6	1	7	
312 / 313	6	1	7	
314 / 301	4	1	5	
322/321/332/333	6	1	7	
324/335	6	1	7	
326/331	8	1	9	
328/325/336/329	8	1	9	
330/327/338/337	8	1	9	
S-Schedule 7/1/20 through 7/26/20				
302/509	8	1	9	
302/509	8	1	9	

A	B	C	D
1 Charles County VanGO			
2 Average Weekday Ridership			FY2026
3			
4			
5 Route	Jul	Aug	Sep
6 301 Connector	232		
7 Berry Road	84		
8 Brandywine Connector	139		
9 Business A	117		
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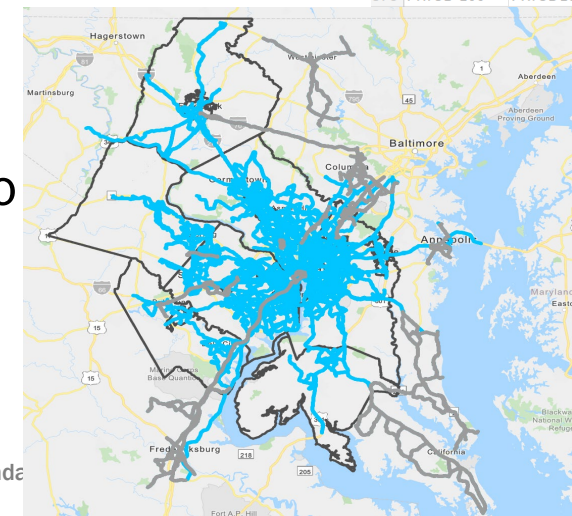
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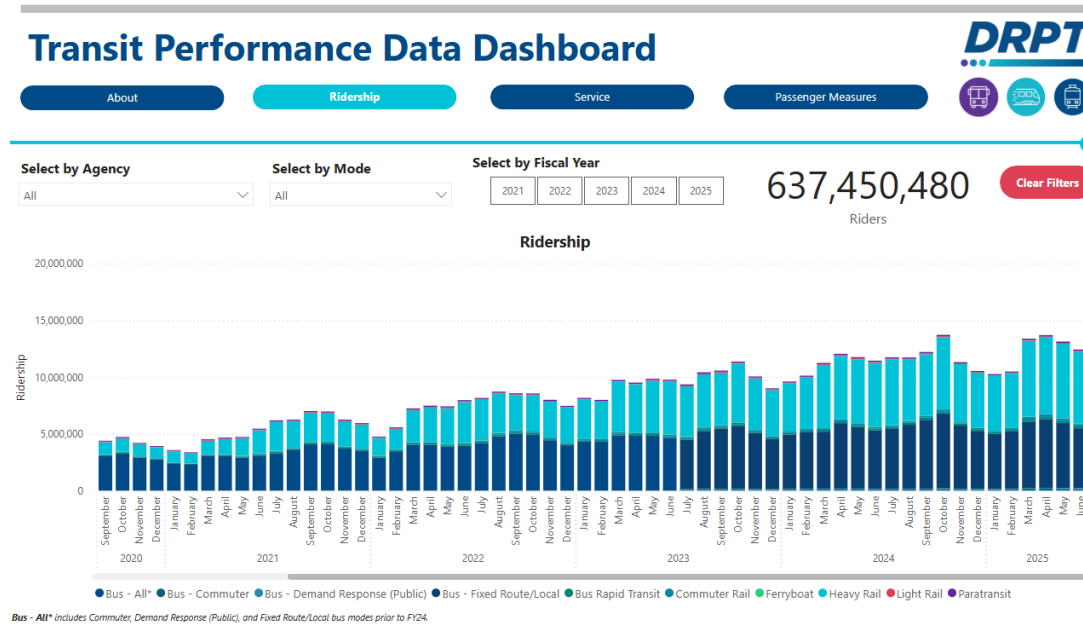
# What we (currently) collect & what we do with it, cont.

- What we do with it
  - Join routes to the TPB travel demand model network to display ridership by network route
  - Approximate network route variations to the provided data
  - Most providers cover our Planning area, whereas the network routes cover the TPB Modeled region
  - Publish to RTDC as year-specific datasets, use data for internal purposes, etc.
  - Going forward we propose using GTFS as primary link to ridership data

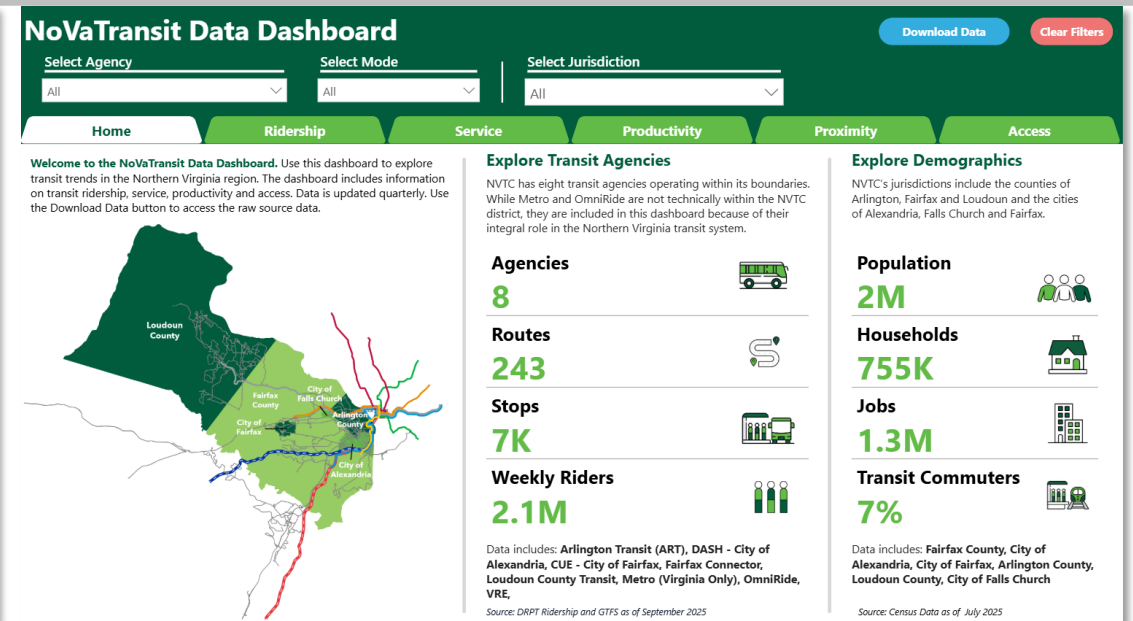
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# Existing Regional Data Sources



Source: Transit Performance Data Dashboard/DRPT



Source: NoVa Transit Data Dashboard/NVTC

- DRPT and NVTC regularly collect monthly ridership, performance, and service data from NOVA agencies
  - TPB can leverage these sources for aggregated ridership information but not disaggregated
- TPB's data needs do not/will not necessarily align with what's already collected
- No known collated source available for data from Maryland member agencies



# The ask...and then the discussion

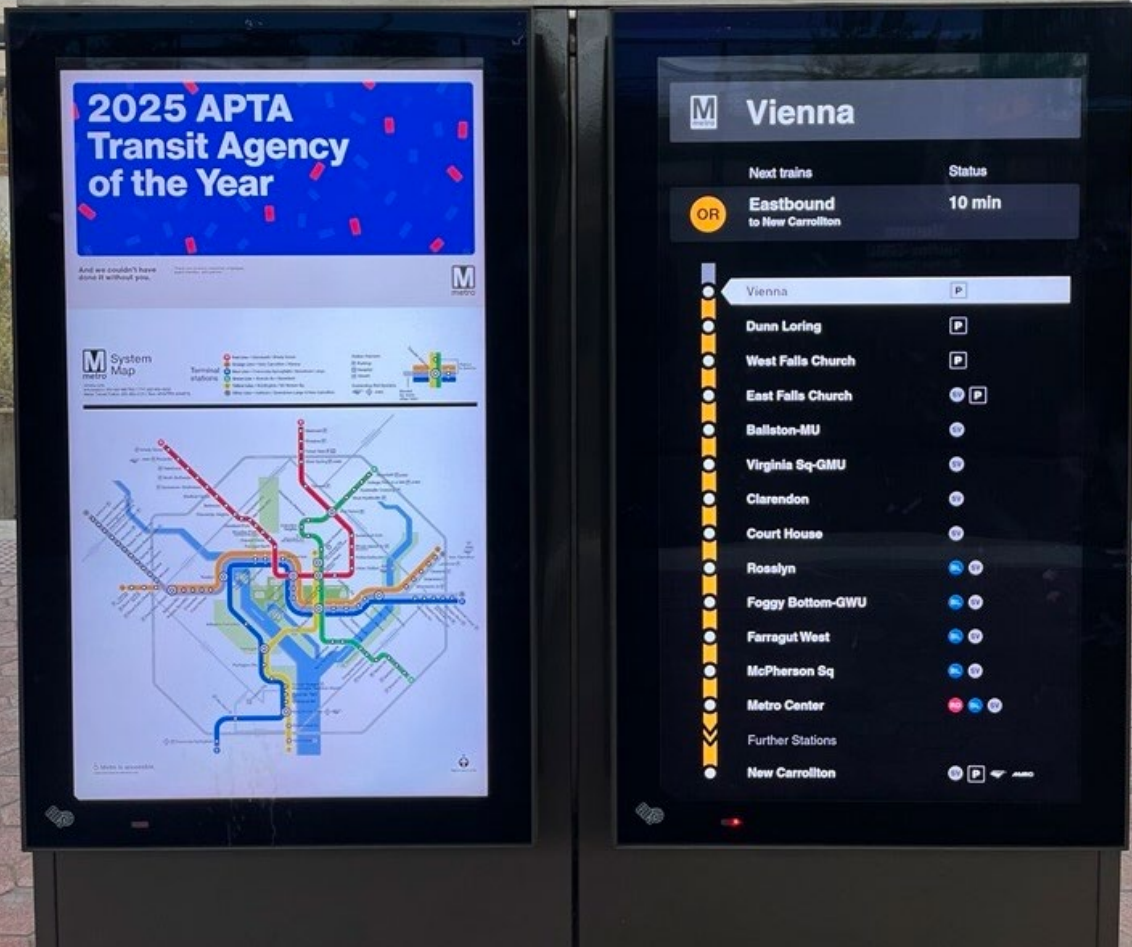
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- BLUF: we want to streamline the way we receive transit data from our partners
- We want to work through the RPTS to coordinate the transit data requests that flow from us to you
  - Use the 'traditional' transit data ridership request as the first datapoint for this revised data sharing partnership
  - Establish regular POCs for the data we request
  - Provide data needed by TPB at a regularly scheduled interval that works for both partners
  - We want to leverage reports or other data products you produce already, if possible, to minimize the burden
- **Discussion - what will work for you?**





## ? Information



## Discussion

- Can your agency provide monthly route-level ridership data?
  - If so, is there a time lag in the data?
  - If not, what are the challenges?
- Would a TPB Sharepoint site containing member-only data depositories work for you to submit requested data regularly?
- Can data requests be sent to you (RPTS liaisons) or should they go to other agency contacts?



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# TPB REGIONAL EXTREME HEAT ANALYSIS

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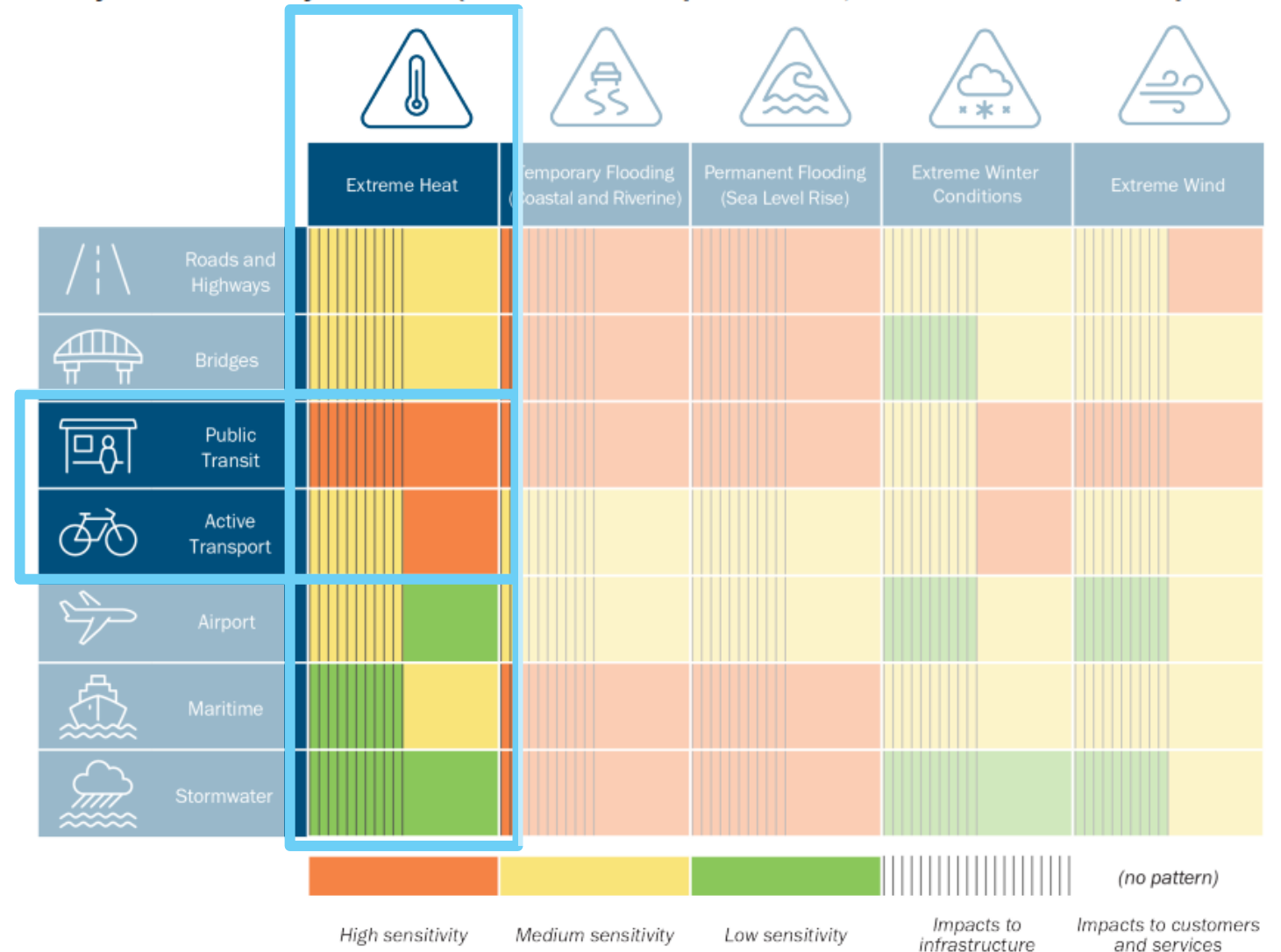
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# What we know

The **Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan (TRIP)** provided a high-level summary of heat-related impacts to the system

**Figure 2. System-level analysis results (Infrastructure impacts on left; service and customer impacts on right).**



# What we know

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**Extreme heat poses serious risks to transportation users and assets in the TPB region, including:**



Impaired infrastructure performance



Potential for limited access to essential services



Altered transit use patterns and user behavior



Endangered public health



Server meltdowns impacting control rooms and communication



# What we need

The TRIP identified the need for deeper dives into extreme heat impacts and resources. **The Regional Extreme Heat Analysis will:**



## OBJECTIVE 1

Identify **where** transportation assets and systems in the region may experience the worst impacts of extreme heat.



## OBJECTIVE 2

Demonstrate **how** this could impact the local economy and the ability of the region to meet its broader goals.



## OBJECTIVE 3

Provide **resources** to help member agencies kick-start their efforts to adapt to these risks.



# Increase understanding of where the risks are

## Goal

Improve understanding of where the worst extreme heat exposure may occur

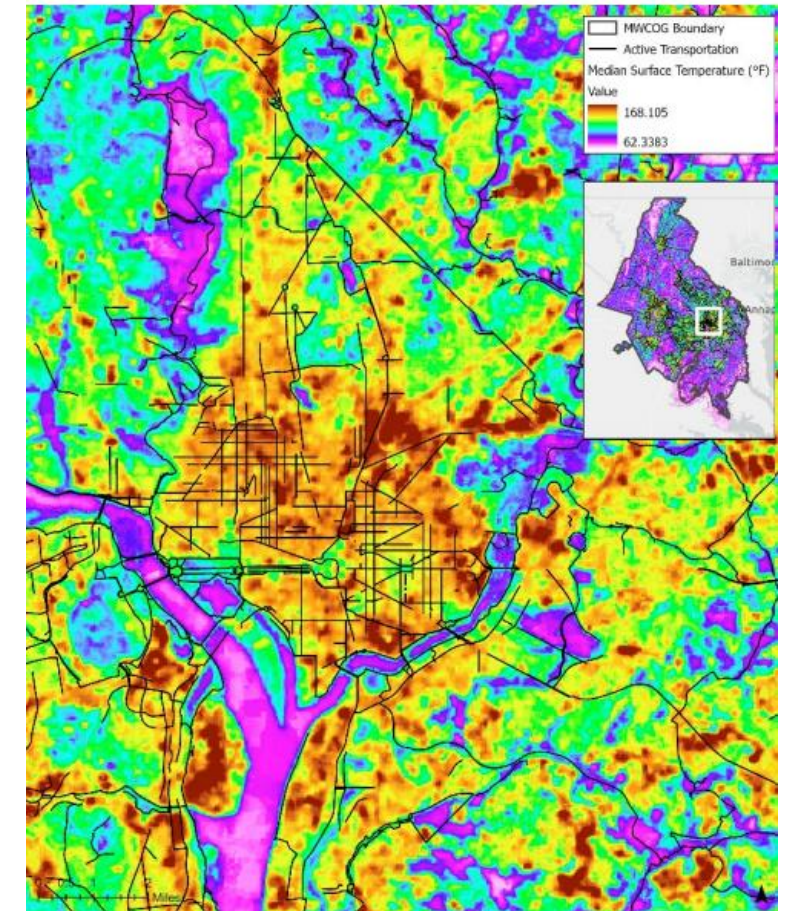
## Approach

- Conduct targeted heat vulnerability assessment for transportation assets and users
- Explore creative approaches to pinpointing risk

## Example Outcomes

- Extreme heat datasets that go beyond surface temperature

**Figure 18. Downtown Washington, DC bike and heat map.**



# Increase understanding of specific impacts and provide resources to enhance adaptation

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**Some initial ideas include:**

Transit  
Infrastructure  
Resilience  
Analysis

Commuter  
Survey  
Enhancement

Model Policy  
Language

Decision Tree for  
Cooling  
Solutions

Grant  
Application  
Support  
Packages

Best Practice  
Design Guidance



# Options

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1. **Transit Infrastructure Resilience Analysis**
2. Commuter Survey Enhancement
3. Model Policy Language
4. Decision Tree for Cooling Solutions
5. Grant Application Support Packages
6. Best Practice Design Guidance



## Goal

Understand how extreme heat affects transit infrastructure and operations regionally

## Approach

- Analyze resilience of infrastructure, operations, and users to extreme heat

## Example Outcomes

- Impacts assessment
- Slow/stop order frequency (historic and projected)
- Ridership data on high heat days

# Options

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## Goal

Understand **heat-related behavioral changes** (e.g., mode shifts) and implications for planning and service delivery

## Approach

- Suggested question additions to existing commuter surveys

## Example Outcomes

- Updates to TPB's Commuter Connections survey or other partner agency survey efforts



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## Goal

Promote use of **cooling strategies** through redevelopment projects

## Approach

- Review policy language in other regions that facilitate or support cooling projects

## Example Outcomes

- Draft language for design standards, RFPs, or development guidelines

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## Goal

Identify **feasible cooling solutions** based on site-specific constraints (e.g., land ownership, space, permitting)

## Approach

- Develop inventory of entities that are doing this type of work already and review for lessons learned

## Example Outcomes

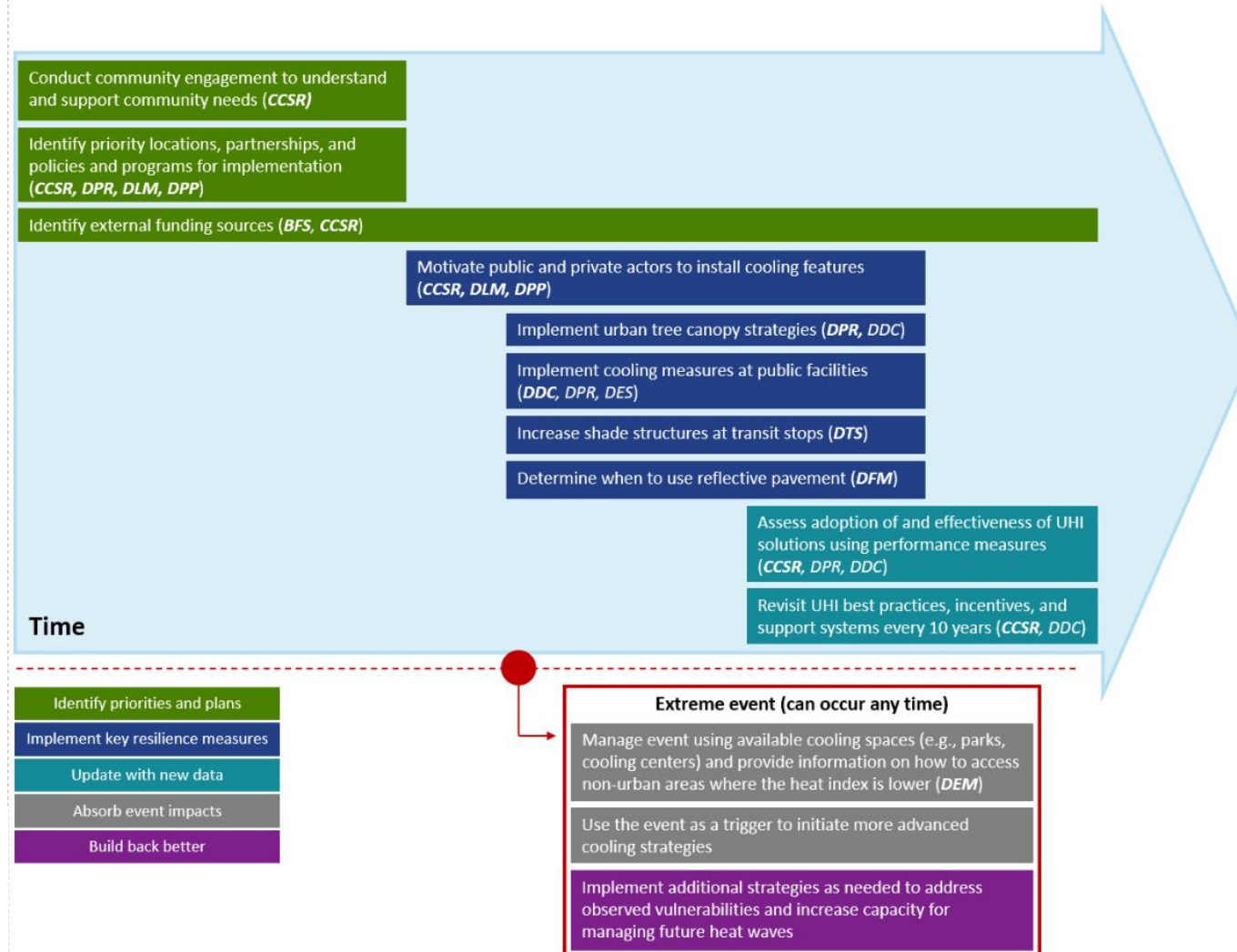
- Decision-tree tool and cost estimates
- Guidance on selecting potential solutions

# Decision Tree & Example Outcomes

## Example Outcome – Heat Adaptation Pathways

### Reduce Urban Heat Island Effect

Departments proceed with actions in the blue arrow over time, increasing or diverting resources as needed to respond to extreme events (indicated by the red dot) as they occur.



Example from the City and County of Honolulu Climate Ready Oahu Report

# Options

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## Goal

Provide resources to improve grant application **competitiveness**

## Approach

- Identify funding sources
- Evaluate criteria analysis from key resilience grant programs
- Develop “win themes” to incorporate into applications

## Example Outcomes

- Grant application support package

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## Goal

Support **implementation and efficacy** of cooling solutions

## Approach

- Identify contexts, typologies and best practices
- Evaluate tradeoffs (scale, level of impact, cost, ROI, etc.)
- Design concepts and guidelines (for transit, pedestrian, bicycle, etc.)

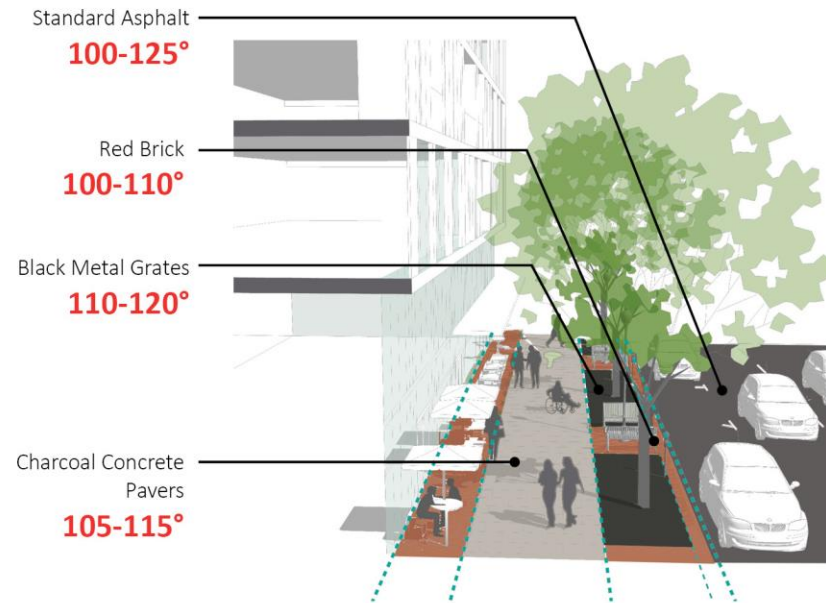
## Example Outcomes

- Best practices and design guidance for heat-resilient infrastructure

# Design Guidelines & Example Outcomes

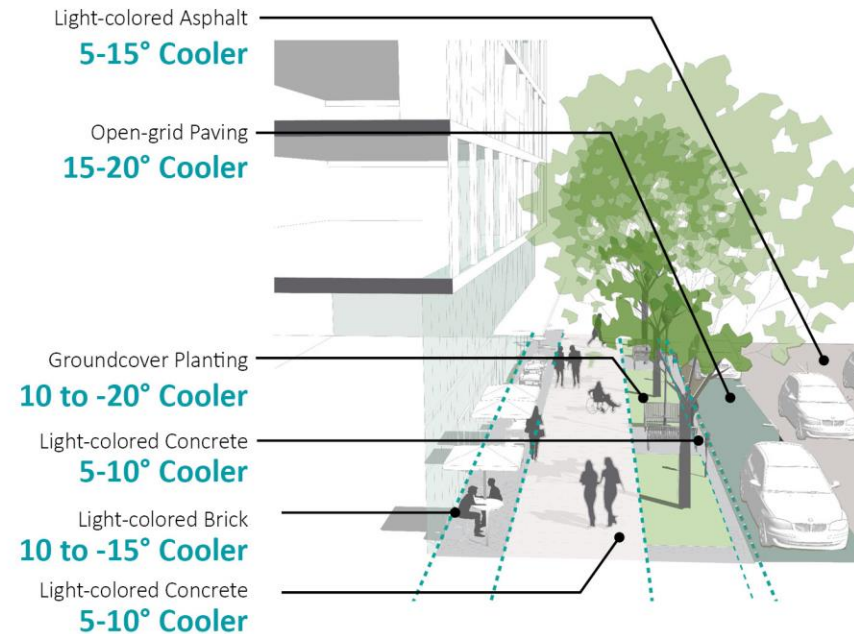
## Example Outcome – Pedestrian Infrastructure

### Baseline Materials



Existing Silver Spring streetscape conditions and average daily temperatures (July 24th)

### Proposed Cool-Street Materials

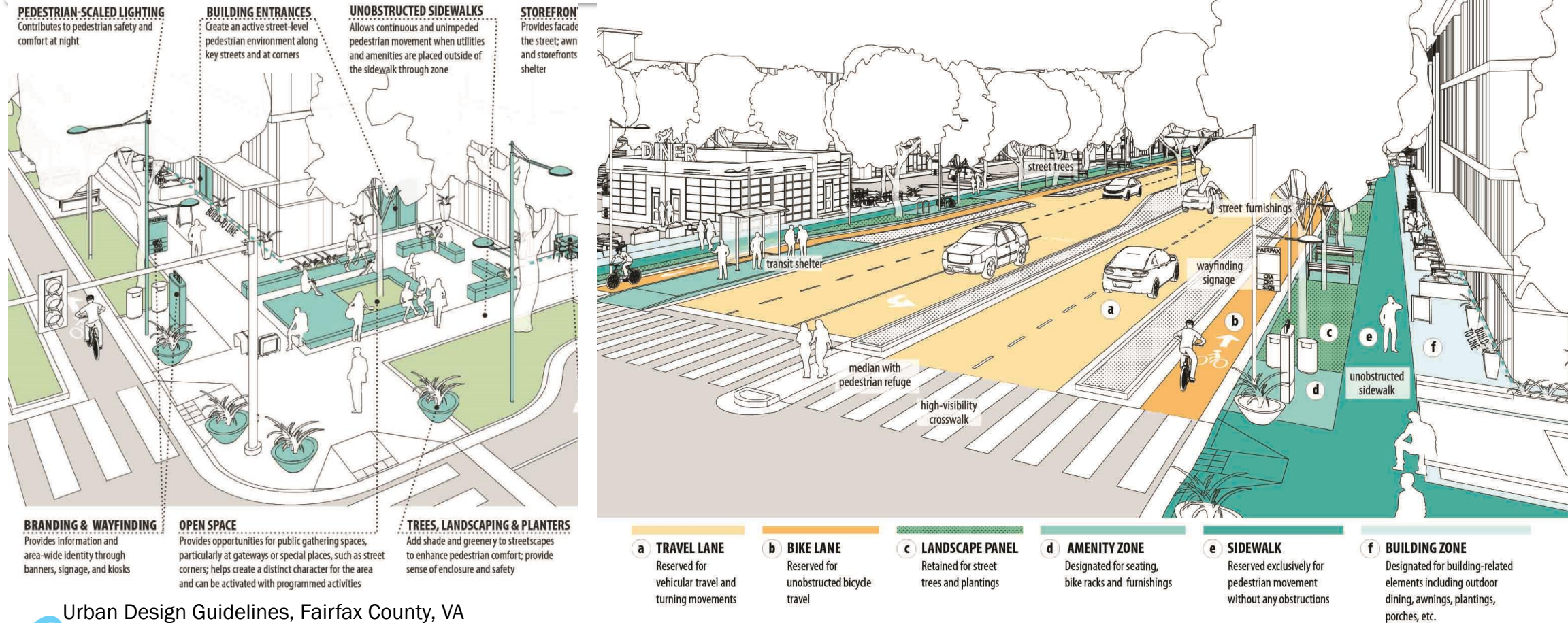


Cool-street recommendations including temperature differences compared to existing conditions



# Design Guidelines & Example Outcomes

## Example Outcome – Pedestrian Infrastructure





# Preliminary Work Plan

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## **Transit Infrastructure Resilience Analysis**

- Proposed Deliverables: Memo/White Paper documenting analysis results of historic and projected heat impacts to rail and bus operations ridership

## **Grant Application Support**

- Proposed Deliverables: Excel database documenting relevant funding sources and key details (e.g. critical deadlines, criteria, potential win themes)

## **Best Practice Design Guidance**

- Proposed Deliverables: Region-specific design guidance for resilient transportation infrastructure, specifics still in development

## **Decision Support Tool or Model Policy Language**

- Proposed Deliverables: Specifics still in development





# What do you think?

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- Based on your needs and interests, do any aspects of this project and the proposed preliminary work plan jump out at you?
- Any other ideas you would like to see considered?
- Of the types of resources introduced today, what are you most interested in?
- Do you (or does your agency) have data or plans/reports that would be useful in this effort that you would be willing to share?



# DMVMOVES – AN UPDATE

September - December 2025

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Agenda Item 6

# Agenda

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- Initiative Recap and Outlook
- Regional Transit Integration  
Action Plan - Implementation  
Next Steps
  - Joint Procurement  
Coordination
- October 29 Task Force Meeting



# DMVMoves – Recap and Outlook

## Discussed to date:

- ✓ Adopted Vision & Goals
- ✓ 9 Advisory Group meetings and 5 Task Force meetings:
- ✓ Final investment plan for Metro and local transit agencies
- ✓ 6 action areas for regional integration
- ✓ Regional Transit Tour across DMV
- ✓ Regional Rail Event Spotighting Commuter and Intercity Rail

## Upcoming:

- October 29: Final Task Force Meeting
- November 17: Joint COG/WMATA Board Meeting
- 2025+: Action Plan Implementation
- 2026: Local decisions made on how to fund commitments

# DMVMoves Approach: Bus and Rail Systems

## Unmet Fiscal Needs (Metro & Local)

### Operating Needs

- Current Service levels
- Serve region's growth

### Capital Needs

- State of Good Repair
- Modernize / Expand

## Regional Integration (Metro & Local Systems)

### Seamless Customer Experience

- Consistent Fare Policies
- One Stop Shop Information

### Regional Coordination

- Shared Assets and Resources
- Procurement and Training

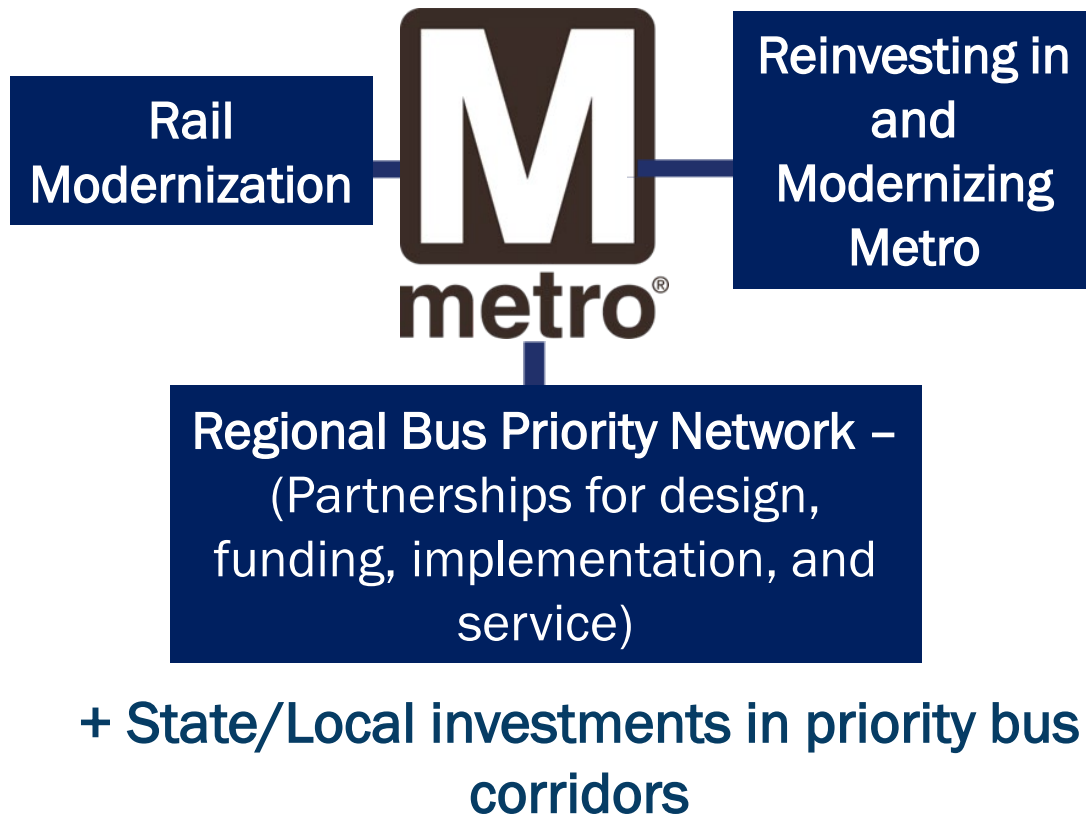




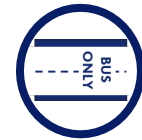
# Proposed DMVMoves Investment Plan

## WMATA World-Class Transit Investments

**\$460-500M in FY28 + 3% per year**



## Action Plan recommendations for more integrated and seamless regional transit:



Implement bus priority strategies to get best value from high-frequency routes



Adopt shared bus service guidelines and consistent performance measures



Integrate and align fare policies to provide consistent customer experience



Improve wayfinding, customer information, and amenities at transit stops



Explore shared use of resources and assets and grouped procurements

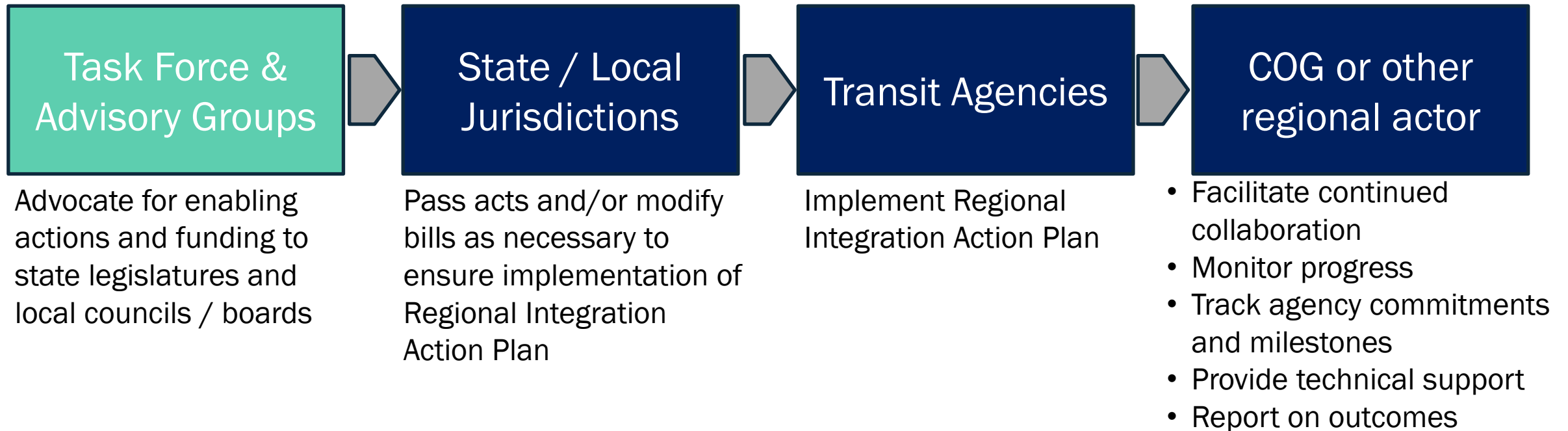


Make training, certification, and inspection programs more consistent across the region

# Implementing the Regional Integration Action Plan

Success will **require broad participation** continued commitments, collaboration, and accountability across all agencies after DMVMoves

- While not every action may be adopted right away, **aligning on a shared policy direction now** can build momentum toward a more seamless, connected region



# Joint Procurements and Shared Resources

## What We're Recommending:

### Joint Bus Procurement

WMATA and local transit agencies explore potential cost efficiencies by leveraging their combined purchasing power for revenue vehicle procurement via joint contracts. COG serves as a facilitator to assist agencies with identifying and accessing purchasing opportunities via a permanent regional transit procurement clearinghouse database and joint contracts as necessary.

### Other Joint Procurements (e.g., IT software)

Following its first meeting in July 2025, COG will continue to convene a regional working group of transit agency procurement representatives semi-annually that shares updates on local procurement activities, informs members of purchasing opportunities, and serves as a medium to coordinate joint purchases. This group will develop a 24/7 list-serv for everyday communication and will advise on the contents of the regional transit procurement clearinghouse database. COG will also analyze transit procurement contract terms and conditions from across the region and convene agency legal representatives to discuss streamlining requirements. Projected outcomes include easier joint purchasing, cost reductions, and less administrative burdens.

## Regional Benefits:

- Make transit administration and operations even more efficient and cost-effective by facilitating cooperative and grouped procurement/purchasing.
- Improve customer experience by enabling investments in facilities, equipment, and technology.



# Joint Procurements and Shared Resources (Cont.)

## Procurement Roundtable Update - Deliverables

1. Procurement Official List-serv: Ready to populate and is expected to be complete by the end of this week. Can be added to or amended as necessary.
2. Procured Item Inventory Sheets: **Incomplete**. *Still missing over half.*
3. Transit Procurement Contract Database
  - Existing contract clearinghouse on the COG website (<https://www.mwcog.org/purchasing-and-bids/cooperative-purchasing/ncr-contracts/>) – uses open source information.
  - Goal is to make it easier to find transit-specific contracts to ride and add all contracts used by agencies.
4. Regional Contract Terms and Conditions Review
  - In progress but will take time.

# Joint Procurements and Shared Resources (Cont.)

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## Procurement Roundtable Update - Deliverables

### 5. Transit Procurement Official Committee

- Semi-annual meetings to coordinate joint procurement activities and share information about other purchasing opportunities and challenges.
- Will be responsible for informing direction to go with transit contract clearinghouse development.
- Ongoing communication through the list-serv.
- First meeting expected in January or February 2026.

# October 29 Task Force meeting

- Final DMVMoves Task Force Meeting at COG
- Task Force will vote on whether to adopt the DMVMoves recommendation for consideration by the Joint COG-WMATA Boards in November
- If approved, the Joint Boards will then vote on whether to forward the recommendation to their localities



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