



April 10, 2025

Regional Transit Authority


Finance Committee





The New Orleans Regional Transit Authority (RTA) hereby declares that, in accordance with La. R.S. 42:17.1 (A)(2)(a)-(c), a meeting will be held on Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 11:00 a.m. The agency's website streams the in-person meeting live, and mask-wearing is encouraged inside the boardroom.

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Agenda

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**



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3. Consideration of Meeting Minutes

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4. Committee Chairman's Report



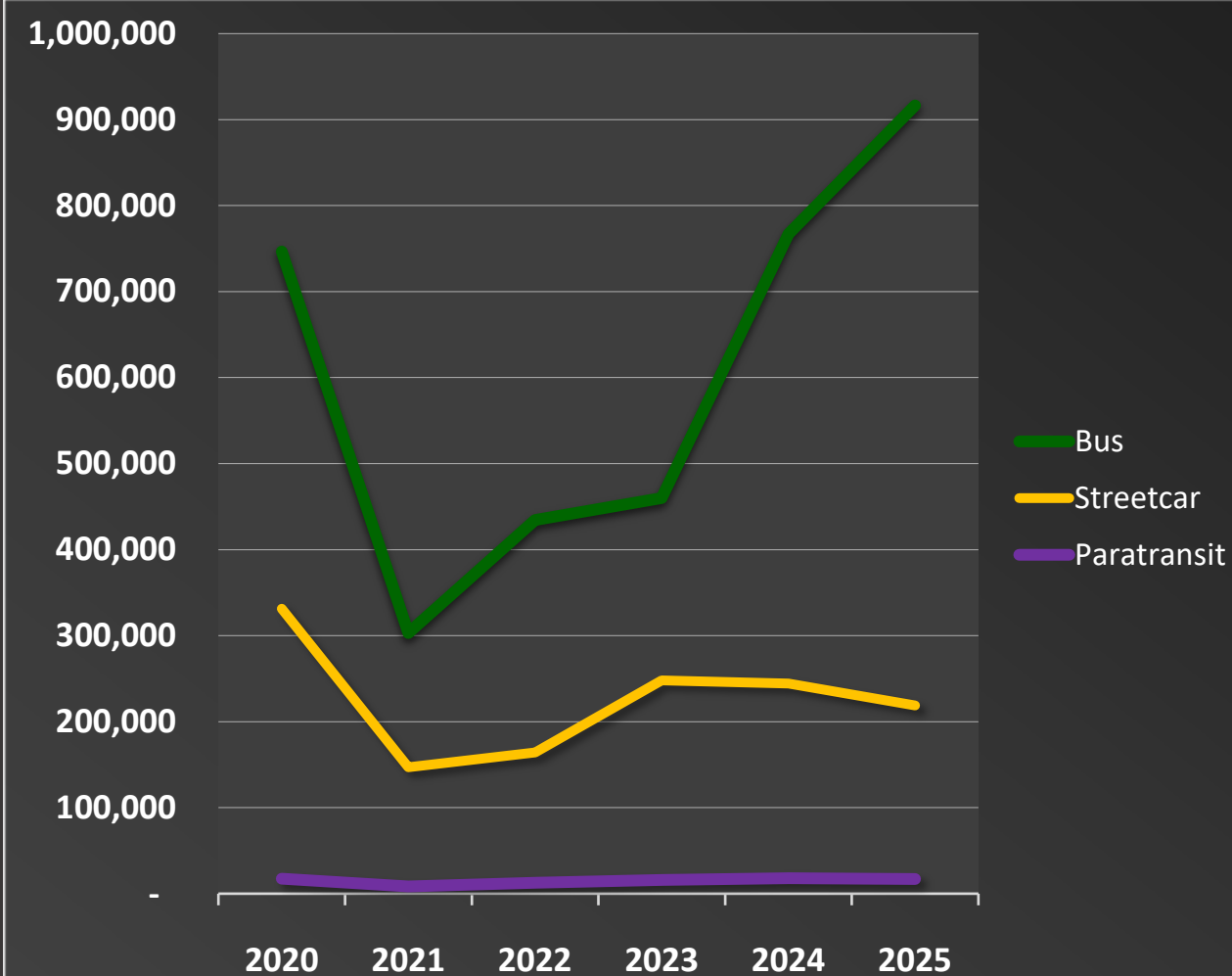
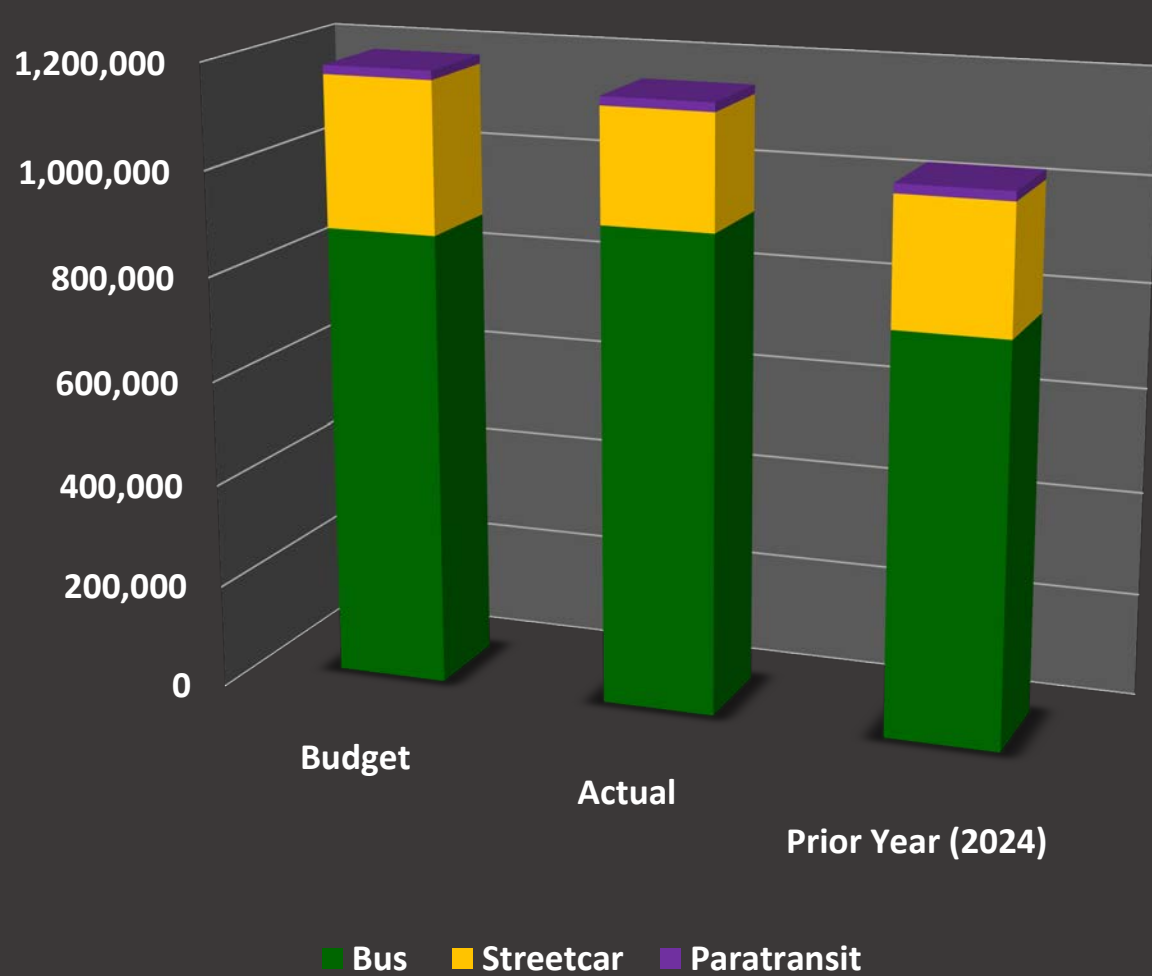
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5. Chief Executive Officer's Report



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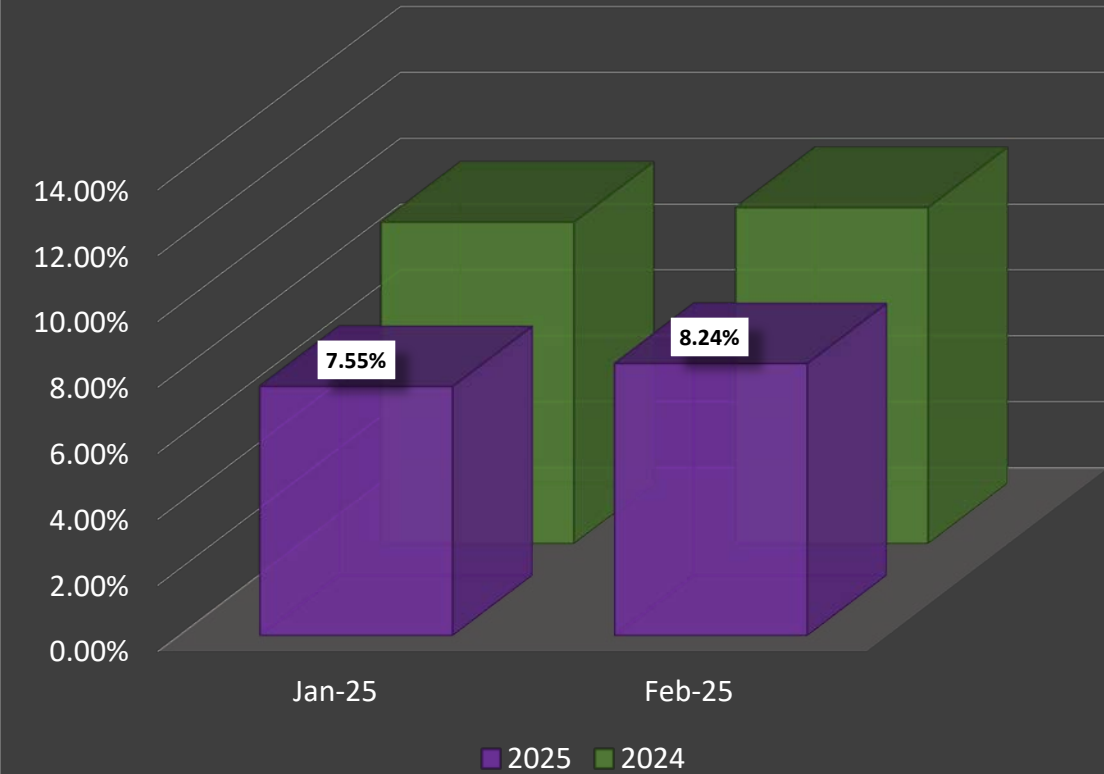
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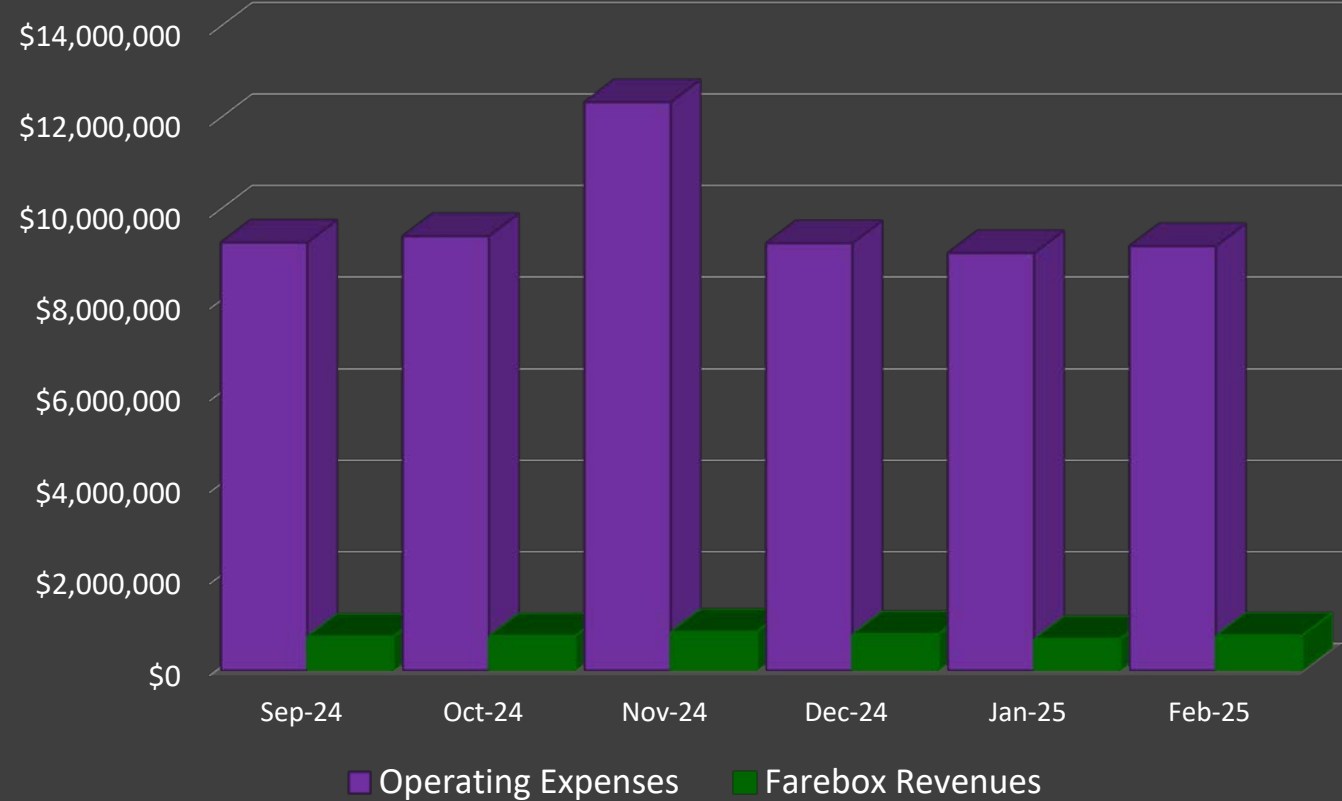
Ridership

Ridership in February increased by 22.9% when compared to January actuals. In February, total system ridership (bus, streetcar and paratransit) was 1.2M, compared to 938K for the previous month of January.

FAREBOX RECOVERY RATES 2025 vs 2024



TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES, FAREBOX REVENUE & FAREBOX RECOVERY

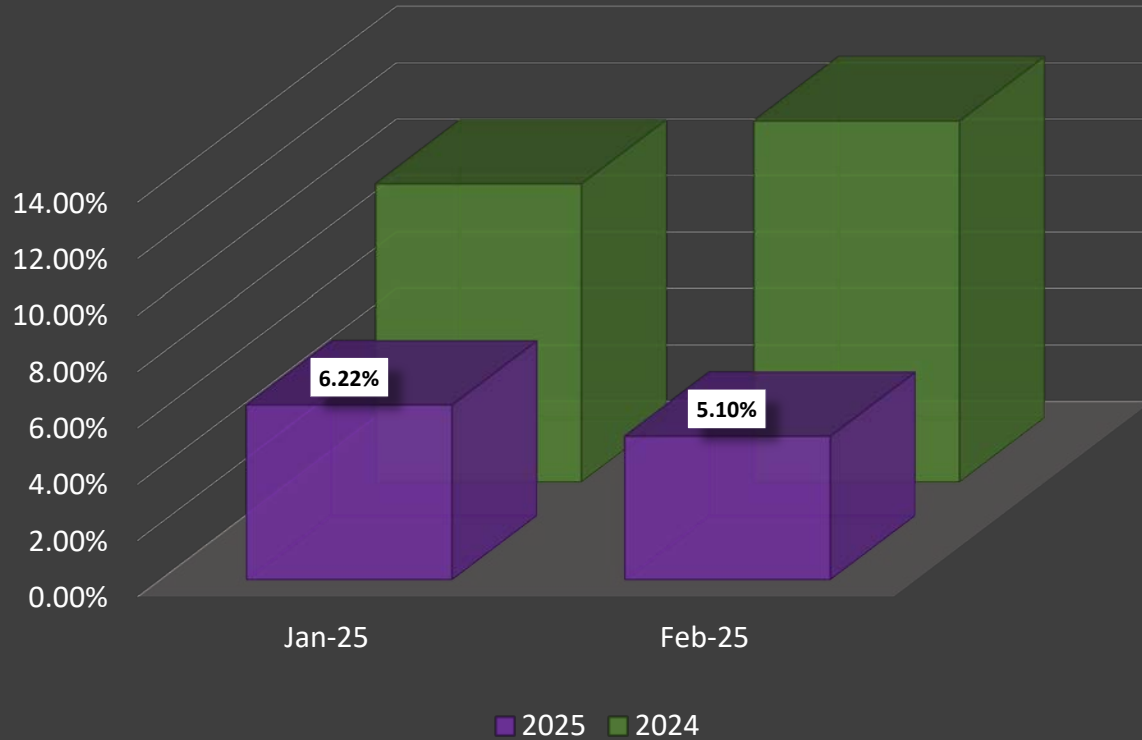


Farebox Recovery Rates 2025 vs. 2024

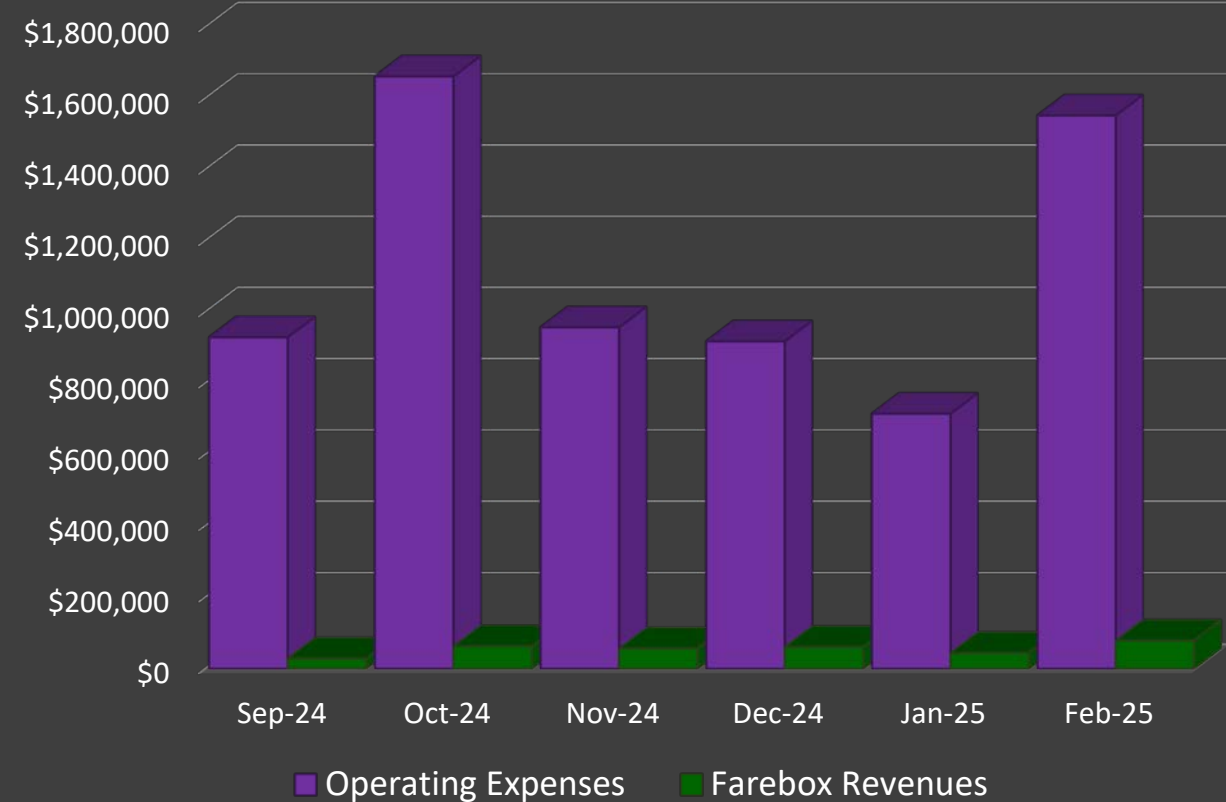
Fare revenue continues to offset a modest percentage of operating expenses as ridership continues to rebound. February's farebox recovery rate increased slightly from 7.6% to 8.2%, an increase of 0.6%.



**FAREBOX RECOVERY RATES
2025 vs 2024**



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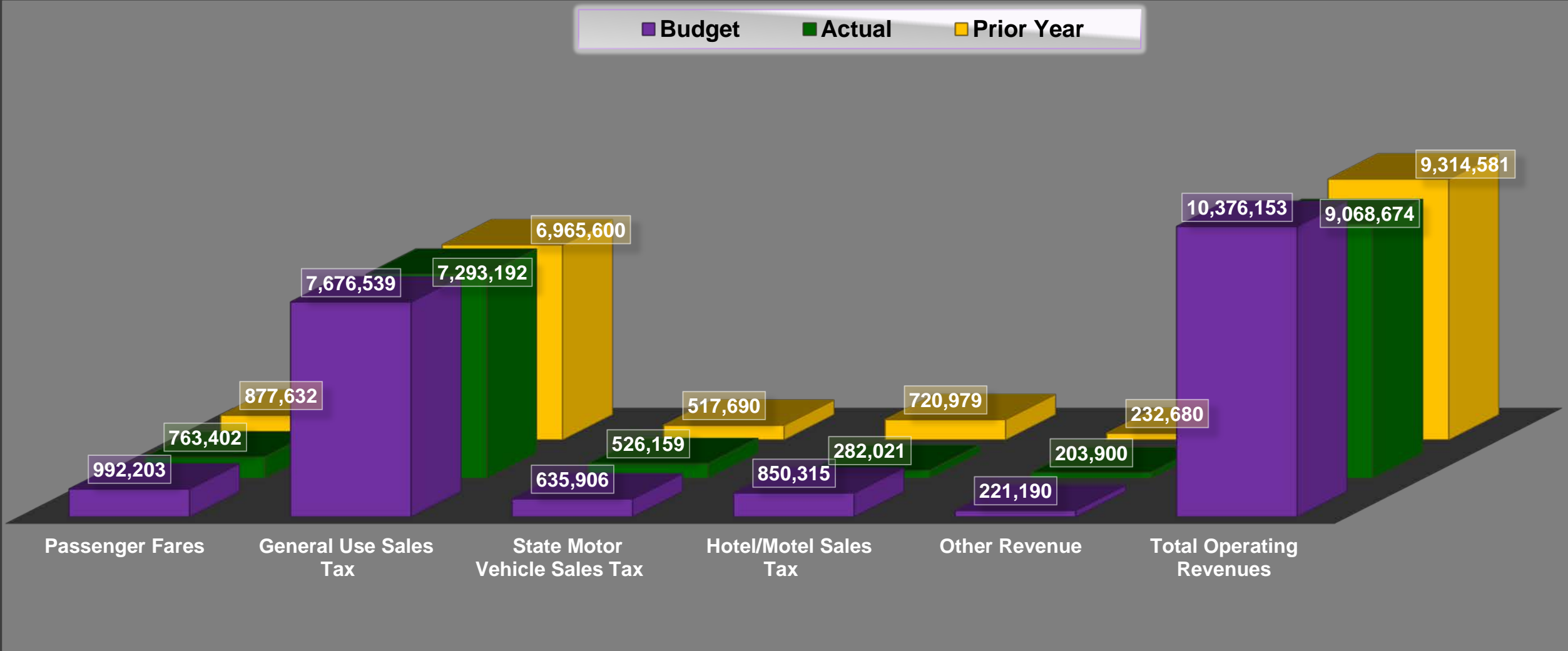
FERRY- Farebox Recovery Rates 2025 vs. 2024

The decrease in farebox recovery to 5.1% in February from 6.2% in January is the result of a larger increase in operating expenses than the increase in fare revenues from the prior month. Fare revenues continue to offset a small percentage of operating costs.



February 2025 Summary of Sources

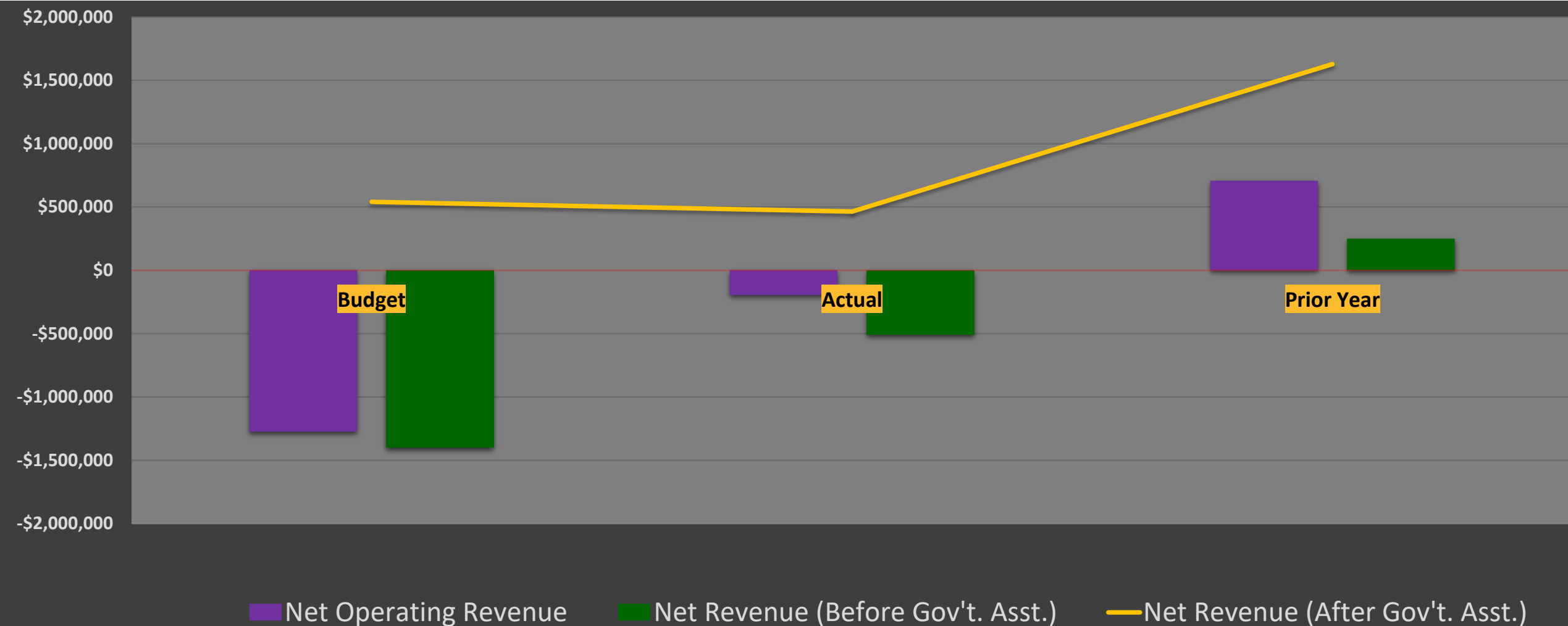
SUMMARY OF SOURCES						
	Budget	Actuals	\$ Change	% Change	YTD Budget	YTD Actuals
Sales Tax	9,162,760	8,101,372	(1,061,388)	-11.58%	18,325,520	17,834,427
Government Assistance	2,342,727	1,758,664	(584,063)	-24.93%	4,685,454	3,501,917
Sales Tax and Government Assistance	11,505,487	9,860,036	(1,645,451)	-14.30%	23,010,974	21,336,344
Passenger Fares	992,203	763,402	(228,801)	-23.06%	1,984,406	1,450,925
Other Operating Revenues	221,190	203,900	(17,290)	-7.82%	442,380	376,249
Subtotal Transit Operations	1,213,393	967,302	(246,091)	-20.28%	2,426,786	1,827,174
Total Operating Revenues	12,718,880	10,827,338	(1,891,542)	-14.87%	25,437,760	23,163,518
Capital Funding	5,275,772	460,907	(4,814,865)	-91.26%	10,551,544	3,133,505
Investment Income	131,239	72,742	(58,497)	100.00%	262,478	175,783
Subtotal Capital and Bond Resources	5,407,011	533,649	(4,873,362)	-90.13%	10,814,022	3,309,288
Total Revenue	18,125,891	11,360,987	(6,764,904)	-37.32%	36,251,782	26,472,806
Operating Reserve	0	(273,466)	(273,466)	-100.00%	0	1,874,846
Total Sources	18,125,891	11,087,521	(7,038,370)	-38.83%	36,251,782	28,347,652



Operating Revenues (Budget, Actual & Prior Year)

RTA's two largest revenue sources are General Use Sales Tax (\$7.3M) and Passenger Fares (\$763K). The two combined make up 88.8% or \$8.1M of total revenue. Overall, total operating revenues for the month of February are \$9.1M.





Net Revenues (Before and After Government Assistance)

Net Revenue (Before Government Assistance) is -\$510K for the month of February. After applying the month's \$1.8M in Government Operating Assistance, Net Revenue is \$464K for the month of February.

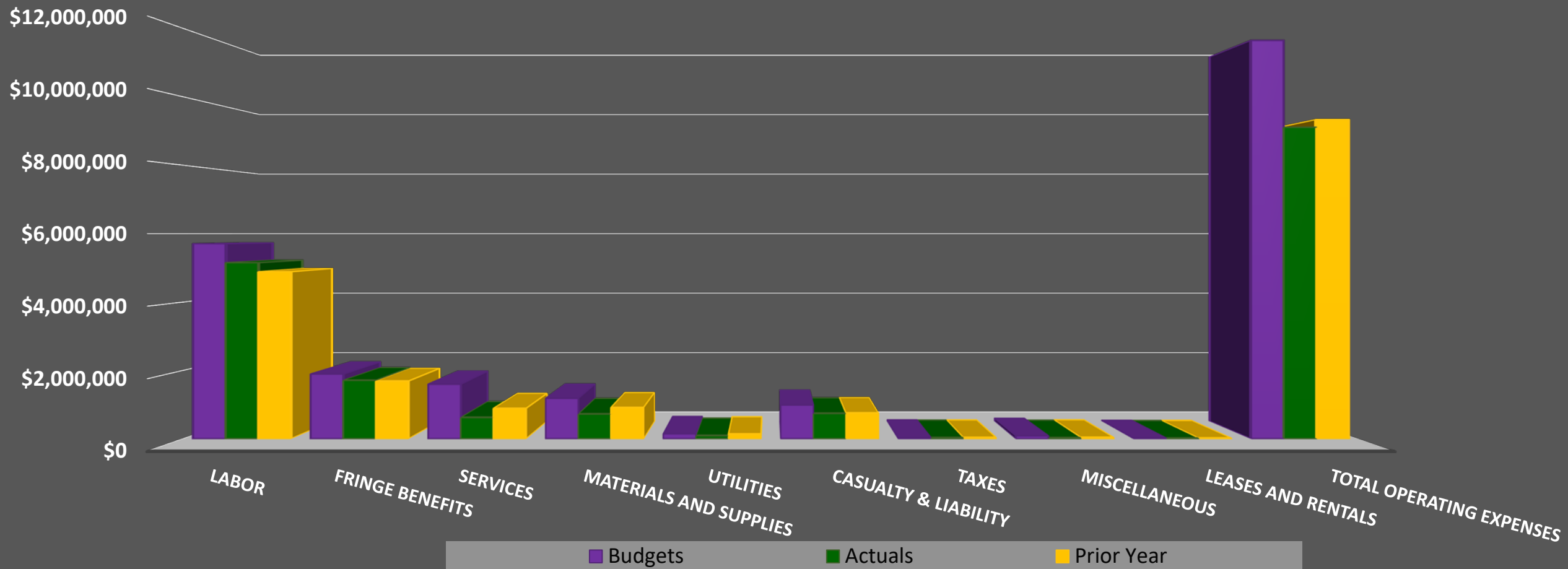


February 2025 Summary of Uses

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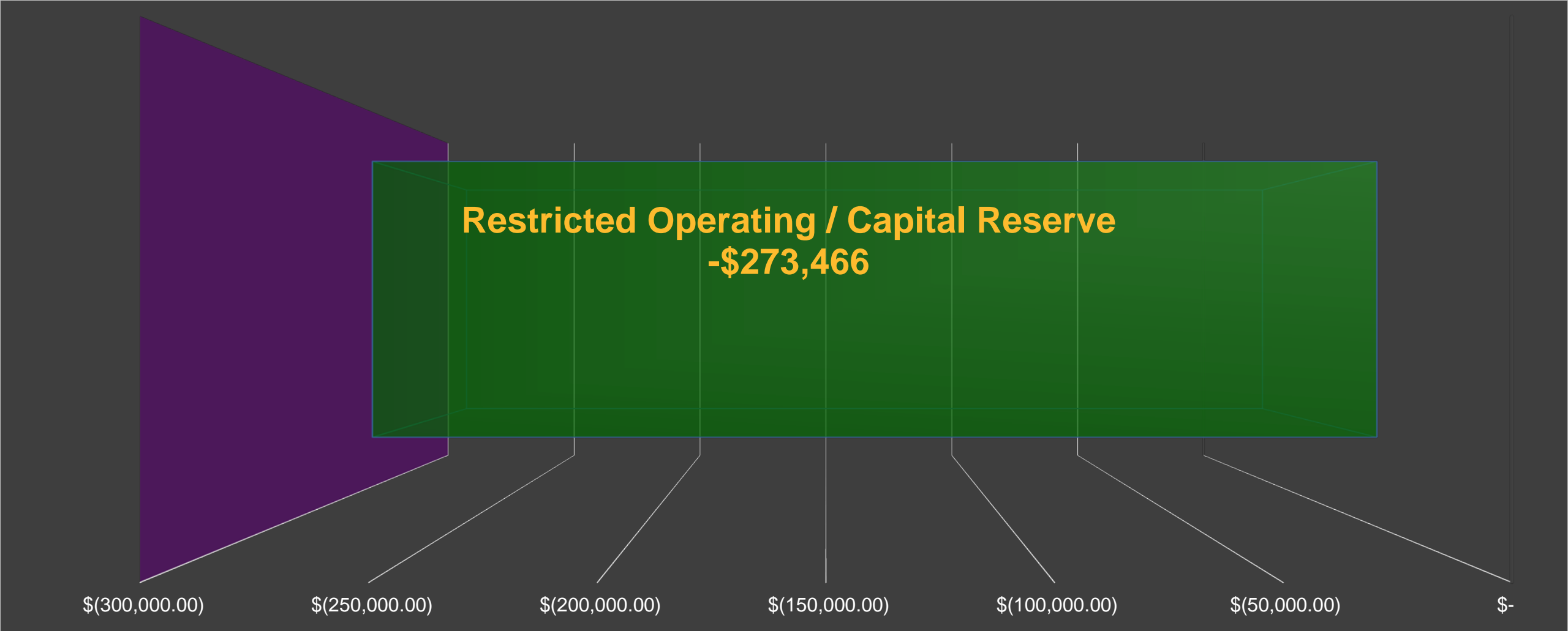
	Budget	Actuals	\$ Change	% Change	YTD Budget	YTD Actuals
Transit Operations	11,649,552	9,262,375	2,387,177	20.49%	23,299,104	18,371,718
TMSEL Legacy Costs	126,694	316,185	(189,491)	-149.57%	253,388	463,559
Maritime Costs	401,915	784,699	(382,784)	0.00%	803,830	976,057
Capital Expenditures	5,275,772	464,804	4,810,968	91.19%	10,551,544	3,137,402
Debt Service	671,958	259,458	412,500	61.39%	1,343,916	5,398,916
Total Expenditures	18,125,891	11,087,521	7,038,370	38.83%	36,251,782	28,347,652
Operating Reserve	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0
Total Uses	18,125,891	11,087,521	7,038,370	38.83%	36,251,782	28,347,652

Operating Expenses (Actual - \$9,324,802)



Operating Expenses

Operating Expenses for the month of February are roughly \$9.3M. Labor and Fringe Benefits, the largest expenditure at \$6.6M, comprised 71.1% of this month's actual expenses. In total, Operating Expenses for the month of February show an increase of 1.7% from \$9.1M in January.



Operating Reserve

The negative variance that resulted from Net Revenue (After Government Assistance of approximately \$1.8M) reduced the Restricted Operating/Capital Reserve by \$273K, after the offset of \$259K in Debt Service.



Procurement

Purchase Orders Less than \$100K
(March 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025)

Order	Supplier	Cost Center Code	Cost Center Description	Account	Creation Date	Description	Purchase Order Amount
RTAP_01267	NAPA	4300	Maintenance	01-0000-00-1302-000-00-00000-00000	3/5/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$1,672.56
RTAP_01268	NULITE ELECTRICAL WHOLES	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-123-01-00-00000-00000	3/5/25	materials and supplies	\$2,781.00
RTAP_01269	GRAINGER (2)	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-0000-00-1302-000-00-00000-00000	3/5/25	materials and supplies	\$1,092.60
RTAP_01270	ULINE INC	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-123-01-00-00000-00000	3/5/25	materials and supplies	\$2,934.27
RTAP_01272	SWIPE RESOURCES LLC	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-8510-061-01-00-00000-00000	3/5/25	Freon Cylinders	\$4,304.00
RTAP_01273	ANCHOR BRAKE SHOE COMPANY	0000	Unspecified	01-0000-00-1302-000-00-00000-00000	3/6/25	Locomotive Brake Shoes	\$20,160.00
RTAP_01274	OPTERRA SOLUTIONS INC	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-7570-121-03-00-00000-00000	3/6/25	Weed Control Services	\$13,200.00
RTAP_01275	PHOENIX MINING EQUIPMENT	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-141-03-00-00000-00000	3/6/25	Insulated Runner & Bronze Clips	\$3,000.00
RTAP_01271	GRAINGER (2)	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-141-03-00-00000-00000	3/6/25	materials and supplies	\$2,891.50
RTAP_01276	EDDIE'S ACE HARDWARE	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-123-01-00-00000-00000	3/7/25	materials and supplies	\$240.00
RTAP_01277	HIGHLY SEASONED CATERING LLC	7700	Human Resources	01-7700-02-9496-181-89-00-00000-00000	3/7/25	employee transit day meals	\$10,436.00
RTAP_01278	STAR AUTO GLASS	4500	Paratransit Services	01-4500-06-7490-061-05-00-00000-00000	3/10/25	Windshields (Units 7400, 7405 & 7515)	\$2,141.40
RTAP_01279	AIR COOLED ENGINES INC.	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-06-8630-091-00-00-00000-00000	3/10/25	Light Tower Machin Radiator & Mount	\$699.60
RTAP_01280	TRI-STATE REFRIGERATION	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-7410-061-01-00-00000-00000	3/10/25	equipment repairs and maintenance	\$2,092.27
RTAP_01281	RELIABLE TRANSMISSION SERV INC	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-7310-061-01-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$11,396.10
RTAP_01282	GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-06-7580-091-00-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$923.41
RTAP_01283	LAMARQUE FORD	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-06-8630-091-00-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$1,342.60
RTAP_01284	NAPA	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-8510-061-01-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$2,092.15
RTAP_01285	D & S STEERING SERVICE INC	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-8510-061-01-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$2,800.00
RTAP_01286	COMMUNITY COFFEE COMPANY LLC	5100	Chief Financial Officer	01-5100-02-8570-175-00-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	materials and supplies	\$5,500.00
RTAP_01287	ALLDATA LLC	2900	Information Tech	01-2900-02-7140-170-05-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	paratransit veh data repair subscription (5/25-5/26)	\$1,500.00
RTAP_01288	TMG INDUSTRIAL	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-06-8620-121-13-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	Rock & Dirt Screen for Streetcar Maintenance)	\$6,999.00
RTAP_01290	ELECTRICAL SALES CORPORATION	2900	Information Tech	01-2900-02-7140-170-89-00-00000-00000	3/11/25	maintenance renewal	\$3,368.00
RTAP_01291	MODEL1	4500	Paratransit Services	01-4500-06-8510-061-05-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$771.60
RTAP_01292	GRAINGER (2)	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-061-03-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$2,051.20
RTAP_01293	ACADIAN CYPRESS & HARDWOOD	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-16-8650-061-03-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	materials and supplies	\$1,040.60
RTAP_01294	NAPA	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-061-03-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$675.86
RTAP_01295	IT Devices Online Inc.	2900	Information Tech	01-2900-02-7590-170-00-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	maintenance renewal	\$43,508.82



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RTAP_01296	Bethany Builders LLC	0000	Capital Projects	01-0000-00-1501-000-00-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	construction project	\$16,100.00
RTAP_01297	MODEL1	4500	Paratransit Services	01-4500-06-8510-061-05-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	materials and supplies	\$1,343.94
RTAP_01298	TRANE US INC	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-7610-127-89-00-00000-00000	3/13/25	equipment repairs and maintenance	\$788.00
RTAP_01299	VAUGHN'S POWER EQUIPMENT INC	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-16-8640-121-03-00-00000-00000	3/14/25	materials and supplies	\$18,413.83
RTAP_01300	MYTHICS LLC	2900	Information Tech	01-2900-02-7140-171-00-00-00000-00000	3/17/25	maintenance renewal	\$5,820.00
RTAP_01301	NEW FLYER OF AMERICA (2)	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-8510-061-01-00-00000-00000	3/17/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$16,723.94
RTAP_01302	UNITED RENTALS	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-125-00-00-00000-00000	3/18/25	equipment rental	\$2,554.04
RTAP_01303	TRIO COMPRESSED AIR	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-125-00-00-00000-00000	3/18/25	materials and supplies	\$2,550.78
RTAP_01304	AIR NU INC	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-125-00-00-00000-00000	3/18/25	materials and supplies	\$677.50
RTAP_01305	NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CARBON	4300	Maintenance	01-0000-00-1302-000-00-00-00000-00000	3/18/25	Motor Brushes	\$2,361.00
RTAP_01308	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-125-00-00-00000-00000	3/19/25	Super Paint INT (Satin)	\$403.04
RTAP_01309	GRAINGER (2)	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-123-01-00-00000-00000	3/20/25	materials and supplies	\$3,285.25
RTAP_01310	SCHINDLER SPRING COMPANY INC	4300	Maintenance	01-0000-00-1302-000-00-00-00000-00000	3/20/25	materials and supplies	\$5,583.00
RTAP_01311	GRAINGER (2)	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-061-03-00-00000-00000	3/20/25	materials and supplies	\$1,150.04
RTAP_01313	ELERTS	2900	Information Tech	01-2900-02-7140-166-00-00-00000-00000	3/20/25	SaaS Subscription Renewal (4/17/25 - 4/16/26)	\$20,991.00
RTAP_01314	ABC PARTS SOURCE	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-125-00-00-00000-00000	3/21/25	materials and supplies	\$4,399.74
RTAP_01315	Efforts of Grace, Inc.	2100	Chief Executive Officer	01-2100-02-7070-176-00-00-00000-00000	3/21/25	professional services	\$25,000.00
RTAP_01316	VISIONTRON CORP.	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-166-03-00-00000-00000	3/24/25	Barricades	\$15,800.00
RTAP_01317	START SMART LLC	7300	Civil Rights	01-7300-02-7070-176-00-00-00000-00000	3/24/25	professional services	\$23,750.00
RTAP_01318	TRIO COMPRESSED AIR	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-7610-127-89-00-00000-00000	3/24/25	materials and supplies	\$489.00
RTAP_01319	ALLIED PAPER COMPANY (2)	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-124-00-00-00000-00000	3/24/25	materials and supplies	\$2,929.95
RTAP_01320	NAPA (2)	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-061-03-00-00000-00000	3/24/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$675.86
RTAP_01321	DIXIE INDUSTRIES INC	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-16-8510-061-03-00-00000-00000	3/24/25	materials and supplies	\$1,892.00
RTAP_01322	HELM PAINT & SUPPLY INC	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-04-8510-062-03-00-00000-00000	3/25/25	Paint Supplies	\$1,245.58
RTAP_01323	CONVERGINT TECHNOLOGIES	3300	System Security & Emerg Prep	01-3300-99-7660-161-00-00-00000-00000	3/25/25	Canal St. Main Door Repair	\$3,907.86
RTAP_01324	GOODYEAR TIRE & RUBBER CO	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-06-8120-081-00-00-00000-00000	3/25/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$994.99
RTAP_01325	GRAINGER (2)	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-123-01-00-00000-00000	3/25/25	materials and supplies	\$462.30
RTAP_01326	NEW FLYER OF AMERICA	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-8510-062-01-00-00000-00000	3/25/25	vehicle repairs and parts	\$8,879.65



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RTAP_01327	GLORY GLOBAL SOLUTIONS INC	2600	Revenue Collection	01-2600-02-7460-111-00-00-00000-00000	3/26/25	Coin Sorter Repairs	\$3,198.82
RTAP_01328	NAPA	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-06-8640-091-00-00-00000-00000	3/26/25	Truck Bed Liner	\$989.94
RTAP_01329	LAMARQUE FORD	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-06-8630-091-00-00-00000-00000	3/26/25	Vehicle #6575 Bumper & Hardware	\$437.28
RTAP_01331	BROOKVILLE EQUIPMENT CORP	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-16-8510-061-03-00-00000-00000	3/27/25	Vehicle Parts 2001	\$9,168.88
RTAP_01332	STAR LOCK & KEY COMPANY INC	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-125-00-00-00000-00000	3/28/25	Storage Closet Door Handle Repair	\$750.00
RTAP_01333	TRANE US INC	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-7610-127-89-00-00000-00000	3/31/25	equipment repairs and maintenance	\$3,623.00
RTAP_01334	GRAINGER (2)	2843	Infrastructure - TBD	01-2843-99-8620-123-01-00-00000-00000	3/31/25	Banding Bracket & Strapping Sealer	\$1,707.22
RTAP_01335	STAR GLASS INC	4500	Paratransit Services	01-4500-06-7490-061-05-00-00000-00000	3/31/25	Windshield (Units 7501, 7512 & 7514)	\$1,275.00
RTAP_01336	MODEL1	4500	Paratransit Services	01-4500-06-8510-061-05-00-00000-00000	3/31/25	Vehicle Materials (Units 7507 & 7509)	\$1,905.07
RTAP_01337	GRAINGER (2)	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-02-8640-061-01-00-00000-00000	3/31/25	Supplies & Materials	\$725.68
RTAP_01338	LAMARQUE FORD	4500	Paratransit Services	01-4500-06-7310-061-05-00-00000-00000	3/31/25	Transmission Repair (Unit 7508)	\$5,401.18
RTAP_01339	FASTENAL COMPANY	4300	Maintenance	01-4300-99-8640-051-03-00-00000-00000	3/31/25	Gas-Powered Pressure Washer	\$1,667.38
TOTAL:							\$371,636.28



Questions?



Agenda

7. DBE Report



Contract Awards March 2025

\$4,881,109 in contracts were awarded

- \$931,137 was awarded to DBE firms.
- Of the DBE contracts \$931,137 was awarded to DBE/SBE Prime Contractors.

Total DBE participation (commitment) is 19%.





Current DBE Projects

Project	Contract Amount	DBE Goal	Payments Made to DBE	DBE Goal	% Goal Achieved	Tentative Completion Date
Disaster Recovery Grants Management and Administration	\$137,888	\$67,565	\$54,353	49%	39%	6/2025
Transit Ferry Services	\$8,442,843	\$842,442	\$776,110	10%	9%	1/2026
OSHA Program Development and Training	\$203,800	\$203,800	\$124,873	100%	61%	5/2026
Universal Accessibility Study	\$260,000	\$88,192	\$0	33.92%	0%	12/2025



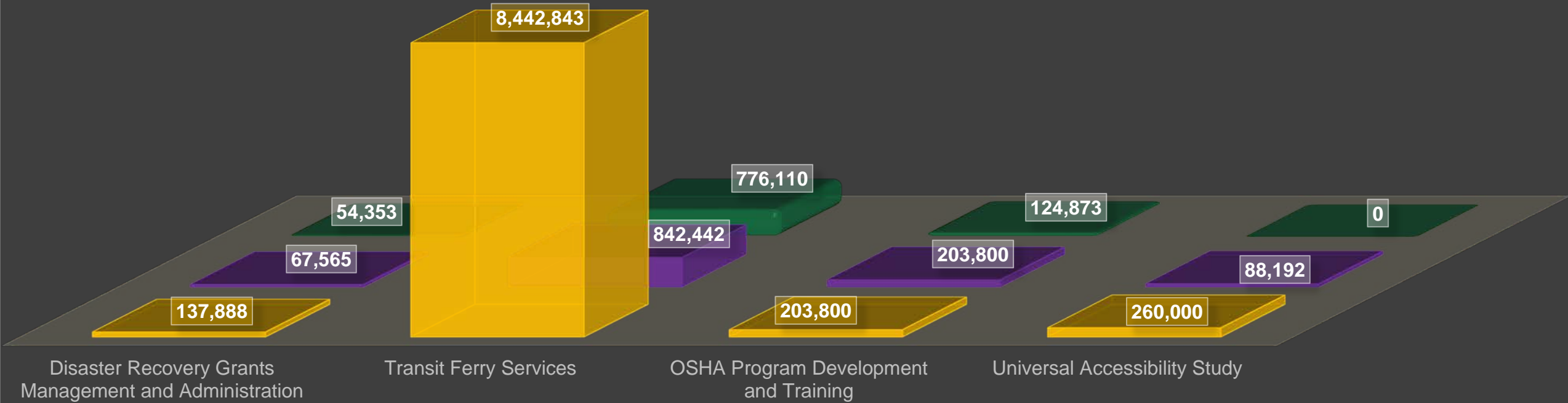
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Project	Contract Amount	DBE Goal	Payments Made to DBE	DBE Goal	% Goal Achieved	Tentative Completion Date
On Call Technical Safety Support	\$545,572	\$545,572	\$422,971	100%	78%	11/2025
Drug and Alcohol Testing Services	\$95,000	\$95,000	\$39,037	100%	41%	9/2026

Contract Amount

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DBE Goal Achieved

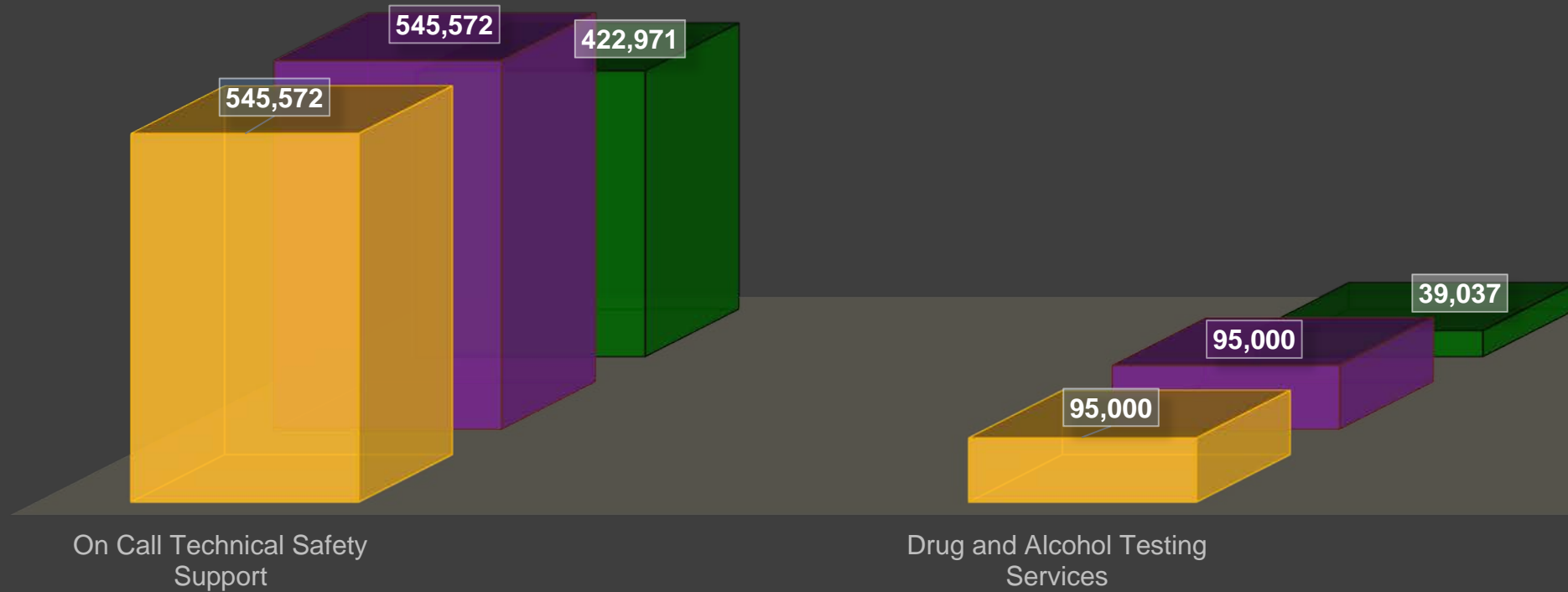


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Temporary Janitorial Services	\$1,928,000	\$1,928,000	\$1,810,005	100%	99%	3/2025
Advertising Campaigns & Media Buying Services	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$226,864	100%	57%	2/2028
Non-Advertisement Bus Shelters	\$858,210	\$858,210	\$598,023	100%	70%	3/2025
Algiers Ferry Buildings Renovation	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$500,612	100%	46%	3/2026
Website Services	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$116,662	100%	39%	5/2026



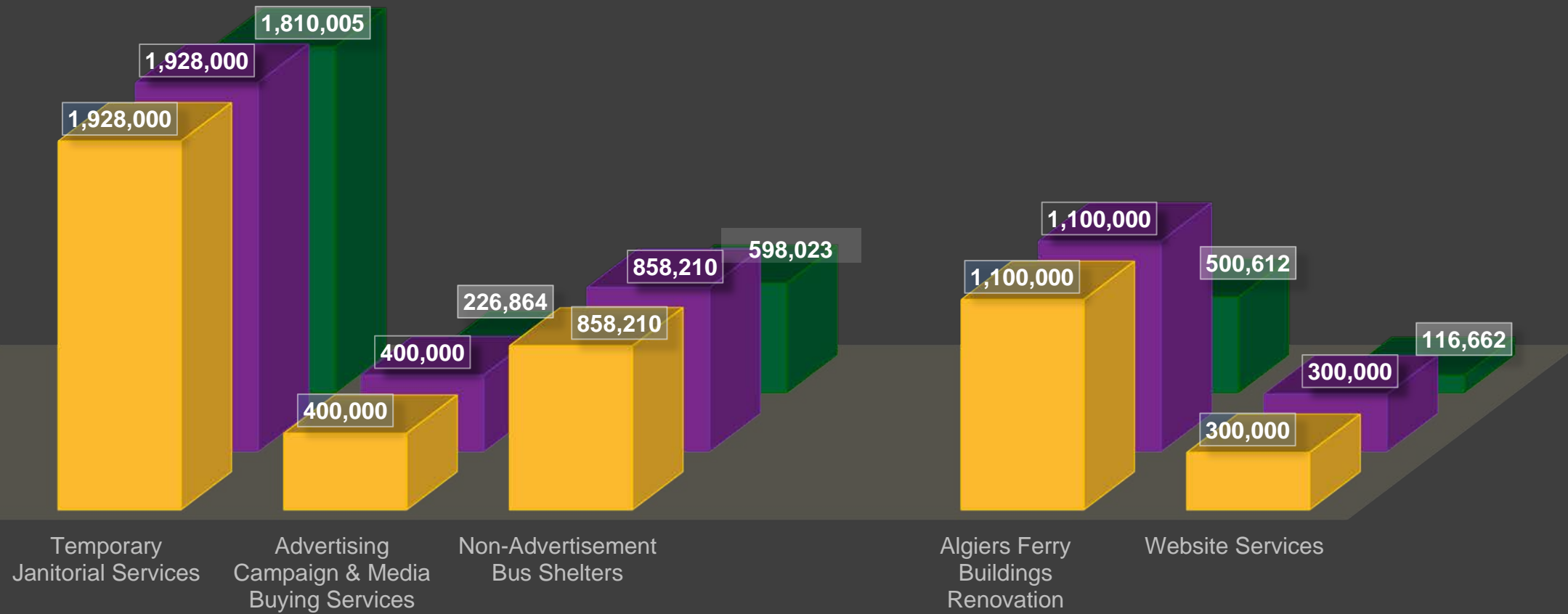
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Facility Maintenance & Construction Support Services	\$1,362,506	\$1,362,506	\$811,544	100%	60%	12/2023
Algiers Ferry Barges Replacement	\$1,365,265	\$1,365,265	\$56,516	100%	4%	12/2025
Zero Emission Fleet Planning	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0	100%	0%	5/2025
Transit Stops Inventory Improvement	\$493,430	\$493,430	\$0	100%	0%	1/2026

Contract Amount

SBE Goal

SBE Goal Achieved

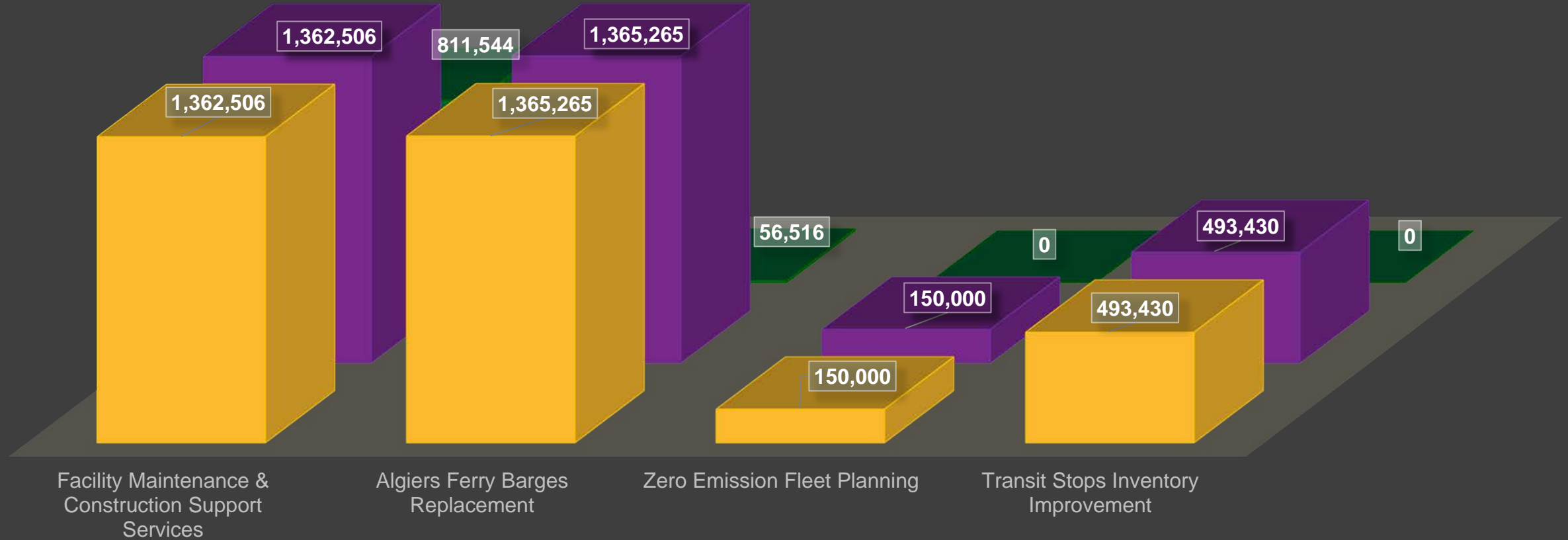


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SBE Goal Achieved



Current SBE Projects



Upcoming DBE/SBE Projects

DBE/SBE Goal

RFP 2024-012 Executive Coaching & Consultant Services
(To be awarded at May Board Meeting)

100% SBE

RFQ 2024-034 Climate Adaptive Transit Shelter Design
(Technical Evaluation – 4/7/2025 at 2pm)

18% DBE

RFP 2025-004 Exclusive Advertisement Rights
(Technical Evaluation – TBD)

24.35% DBE

RFQ 2025-008 Standard Operating Procedure Development
(Technical Evaluation – TBD)

34.61% DBE

RFQ 2025-009 Streetcar System Modernization Feasibility Study
(Technical Evaluation – TBD)

32% DBE

RFP 2025-010 Fare Collection System Upgrade Consultant
(Proposals due 4/24 at 1pm)

22.3% DBE



DBE/SBE Business Development Trainings

DBE Workshop: Proposal Writing 101: Bid Writing Techniques and Tips

The learning objective of this workshop is to provide small and disadvantaged business enterprise firms with the guidance they need to research and streamline the proposal response to win more business.

Tuesday, April 22nd 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

RTA Board Room, 2nd Floor
2817 Canal Street, New Orleans

DBE/SBE Outreach Events

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Questions?



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8. Chief Planning and Capital Project Officer's Report

Open Projects: Construction

2023 Shelter Installation

Contracting:

Engineer: Infinity

Contractor: Pivotal Engineering

Contracting Strategy: D/B/B

Project Costs:

Design: \$141,299

Construction: \$832,148

Status:

- All permits approved
- **15 of 16** sites completed
- 1 delayed for water leak

Schedule:

Construction NTP: September 2023

- Anticipated Substantial Completion: **April 2025**



Open Projects: Construction

Interim Hubs, Phase 2

Improve lighting, landscaping and seating at interim hubs at Main Library and N.O. East Library

Contracting:

Design: GoTech (downtown) Infinity (N.O. East)

Construction: TEH

Project Budget:

Project: \$750,000

Schedule:

Construction Start: 12/4/24

Construction Completion: Downtown: Substantially Complete

April 2025 downtown mural

Spring 2025 for N.O. East

Status:

Lighting downtown complete

N.O. East improvements



Board Action:

None currently



Open Projects: Design

Algiers Ferry Buildings Renovation

Rehabilitate and modernize the 40-year-old Algiers Ferry Terminal for modern vessels and access, add Marine administrative offices, develop concessions/public space. Renovate Lower Algiers Maintenance Facility.

Contracting:

Engineer: Batture

Contractor: TBD

Contracting Strategy: D/B/B

Project Budget:

Total: \$9,861,000 (80% grant funded)

Schedule:

Design NTP: **January 2024**

Construction Bid Release: **April 2025**

Construction Start: **August 2025**

Substantial Completion: **August 2026**

Status:

Bid package complete; routing for release



Board Action:

None currently





Open Projects: Design

Algiers Ferry Barges Modernization

Replace landing barges at Algiers Point and Lower Algiers with new, standardized design for interoperability between ferry landing locations.

Contracting:

Engineer: Infinity Engineering (On-Call A&E)

Contractor: TBD

Contracting Strategy: D/B/B

Project Budget:

Total: \$13,670,000 (80% grant funded)

Schedule:

Design NTP: **November 2024**

Construction Bid Release: June 2025

Construction Start: September 2025

Substantial Completion: June 2026

Status:

30% Schematic Design submitted and reviewed internally;
costs concerns with steel prices to go up



Board Action:

None currently



Open Projects: Design

Zero Emission Bus Pilot

Purchase of three (3) electric buses and charging infrastructure. Engineering is included in the purchase.

Contracting:

Engineer: Kimley Horn

Contractor: New Flyer

Contracting Strategy: Named partner (turnkey)

Project Budget:

Total: \$6,324,288 (77% grant funded)

Schedule:

NTP for Bus Procurement: [October 2024](#)

Infrastructure Design 100% complete: June 2025

Construction NTP: September 2025

Electric Bus Roll Out: [Summer 2027](#)

Status:

In-route charging site in N.O. East finalized

[Buses on order](#)

[Begin detailed charging infrastructure site design](#)



Board Action:

None currently



Open Projects: Planning

Resilient, Zero-Emission Fleet

Advance the conversion of bus fleet to zero emissions with 20 vehicles, resilient charging infrastructure, investment in workforce transition.

Contracting:

PM: CTE (Named partner)
Design: Jacobs (Named partner)
Charging Equipment: Heliox (Named partner)
Construction: TBD
Vehicles: TBD
Workforce Dev: Delgado, IBEW (Named partners)



Board Action:

Award design contract (May)

Bus order (May/June)

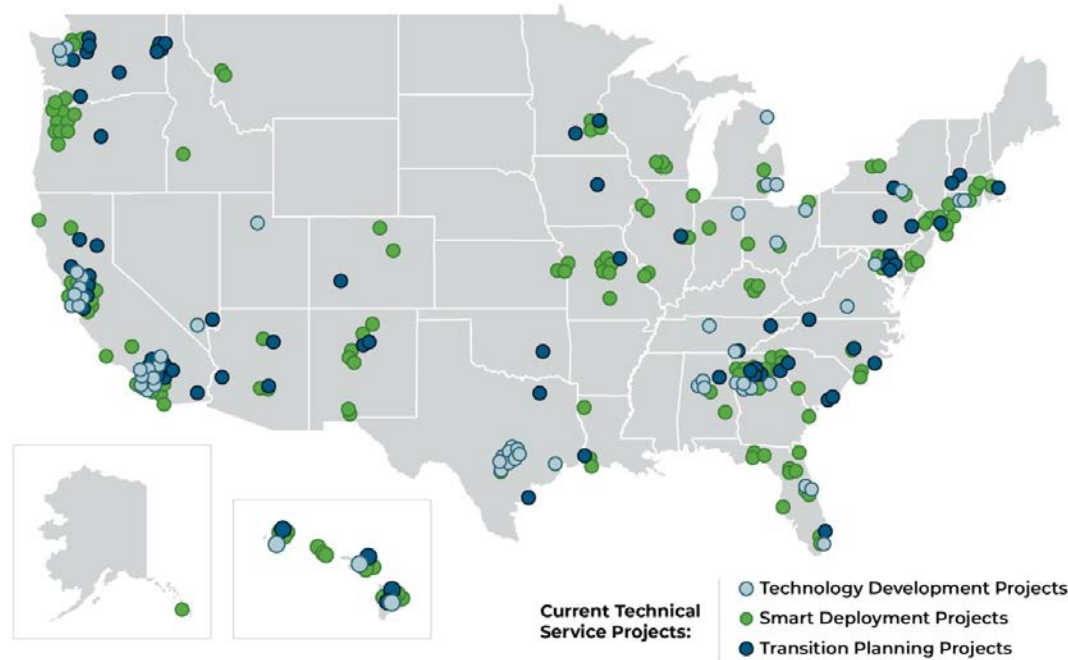
Key equipment order (June)



Center for Transportation and the Environment (CTE)

About CTE

- 30+ years experience
- \$3.8B+ portfolio
- 140+ active projects
- Zero-Emission transportation technologies
- Atlanta , Berkeley, Denver, St. Paul



What We Do

- Technology Development
- Transition Planning
- Advocacy
- Grant Writing as a Service
- Smart Deployment

CTE has assisted **more than 250** operators that have either deployed, or will soon deploy, **more than 1,400** zero-emission vehicles.



Project Overview

RTA is aiming to expand the fixed-route fleet of zero emission vehicles. This project includes the procurement of battery electric buses, depot and on route chargers, and a microgrid for charging resilience.

Battery Electric Bus

- 20 New Flyer 40' Battery Electric Buses (BEBs)
- Expanding fleet for more service

Infrastructure

- Depot/On-route charging - Pantograph
- New Orleans East facility upgrades
- Microgrid

Workforce Development

- Collaboration with local colleges
- Apprenticeship Program

Project Goals

Fleet Electrification Timeline:

- Targeting implementation of the 20 buses by 2028.
- Up to 50 BEVs in the next 5-10 years, with potential growth in technology

Operational Resiliency:

- Ensure Resiliency
- Mitigate service disruption during power outages (especially during hurricane events)
- Charging without grid power is a priority to ensure service continuity
- (Re)train maintenance staff in new technologies (build internal capacity)

Fleet Growth and Strategy:

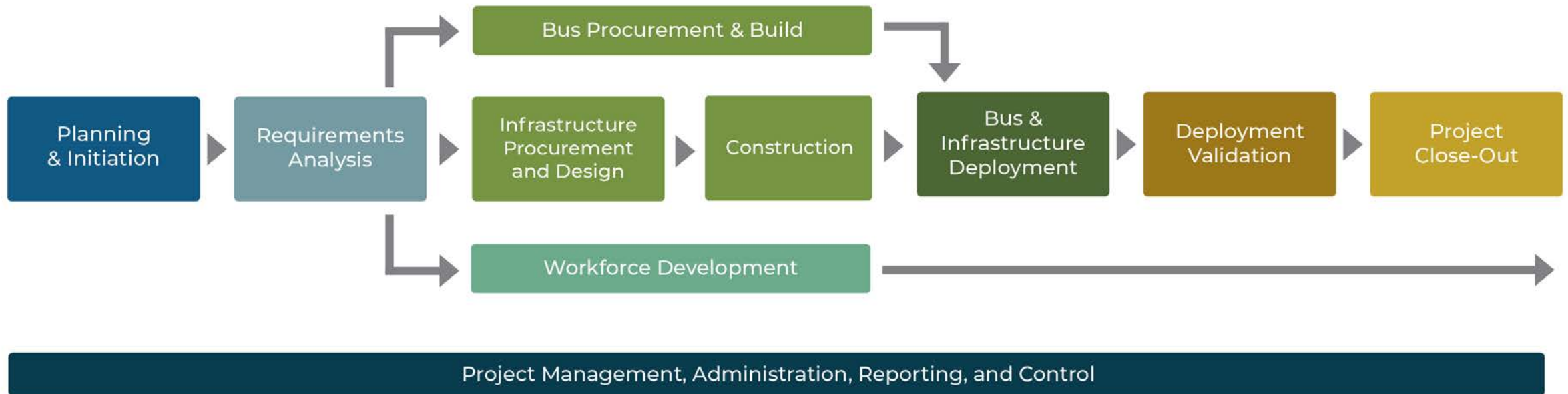
- Aim to have a better understanding of how to make future fleet decisions
- Inform future fleet purchases (number and technology)
- Gain operational flexibility between buses and bus schedule
- Use on-route charging to reduce operational limitations

Showcase Fleet Electrification Benefits:

- Demonstrate the value and potential of fleet electrification on a regional level.
- Develop and support robust training programs at local institutions (Delgado and IBEW)



Project Scope



Project Budget

Category	Item Description	Budget
Administration	RTA Project Administration	\$217,759
Professional Services	External Project Management (CTE)	\$731,000
Facility	Design and Engineering (Jacobs)	\$7,927,691
Bus	20 Battery Electric Buses	\$31,217,086
Facility	Charging Infrastructure & Microgrid	\$36,616,947
Facility	Facility – PPE Tools and Equipment	\$250,000
Facility	Facility – Software	\$523,200
Workforce Development	Workforce Training	\$4,250,000
Total		\$81,733,683

Project Timeline

Q4 2024 – Q1 2025

- ❖ Planning and Initiation
- ❖ Requirements Analysis
- ❖ Technical Support

Key Milestones: Kick-off, Project Workbook (Charter), Bus and Route Modeling

Q1 2026 – Q4 2026

- ❖ Bus Build
- ❖ Infrastructure Design and Pre-Construction Phase
- ❖ CMAR Contractor begins

Key Milestones: 30% Design, CMAR Procurement, 75% Design, Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP), Construction Work Packages (CWPs)

Q1 2025 – Q4 2025

- ❖ Requirements Analysis
- ❖ Bus Procurement
- ❖ Long-lead Equipment Procurement
- ❖ Infrastructure Procurement- Planning and Design

Key Milestones: Charger/Rate Modeling, BEB Bus Contract, A&E Contract, Delivery Method Development

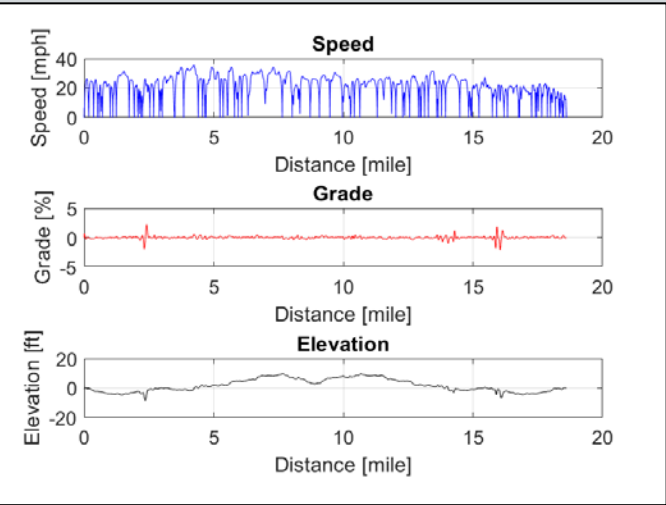
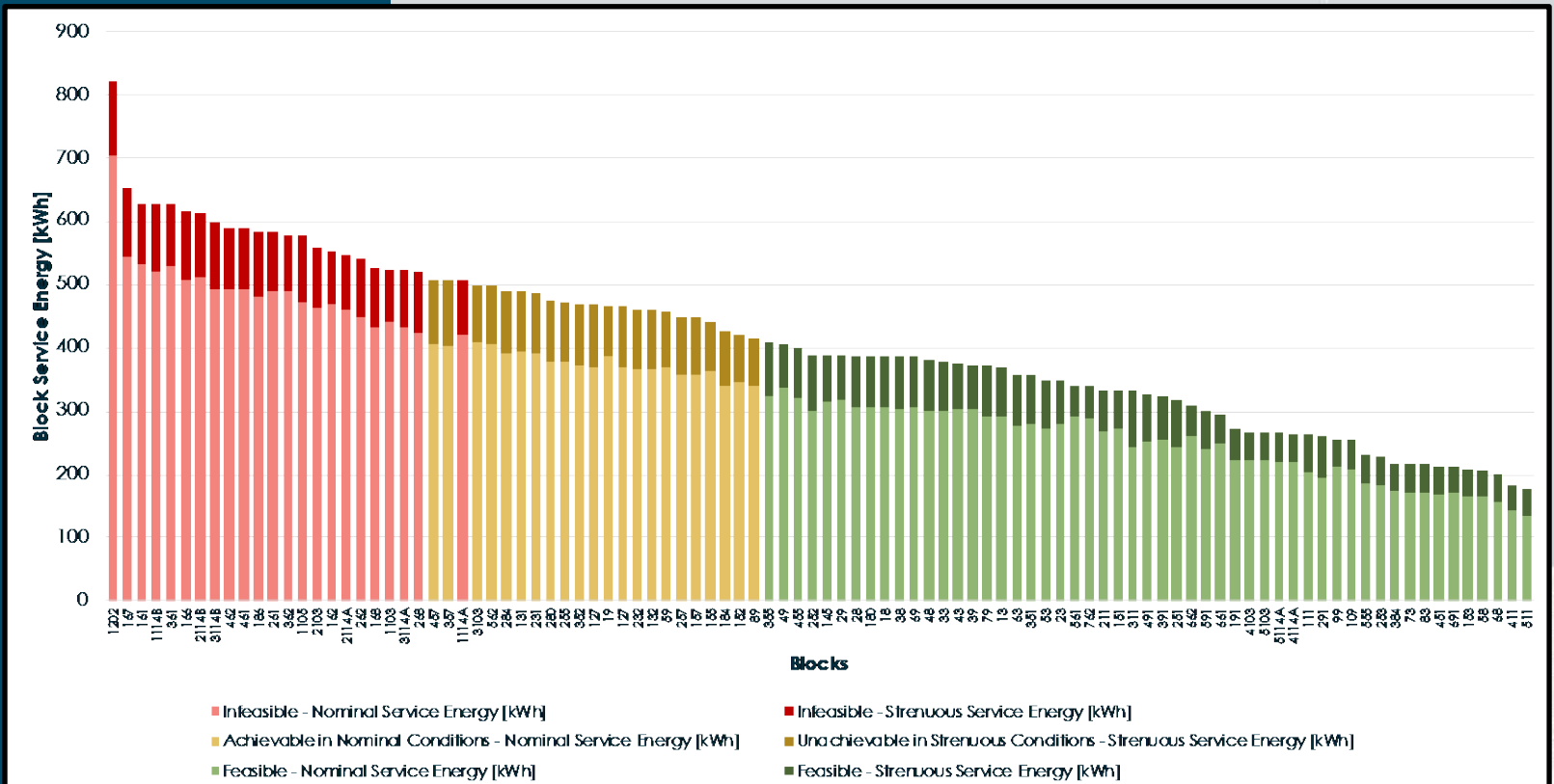
Q1 2027 – Q4 2028

- ❖ Bus build
- ❖ Charger commissioning
- ❖ Bus delivery/acceptance
- ❖ Buses placed in revenue service
- ❖ Performance reporting (KPI)
- ❖ Workforce Development

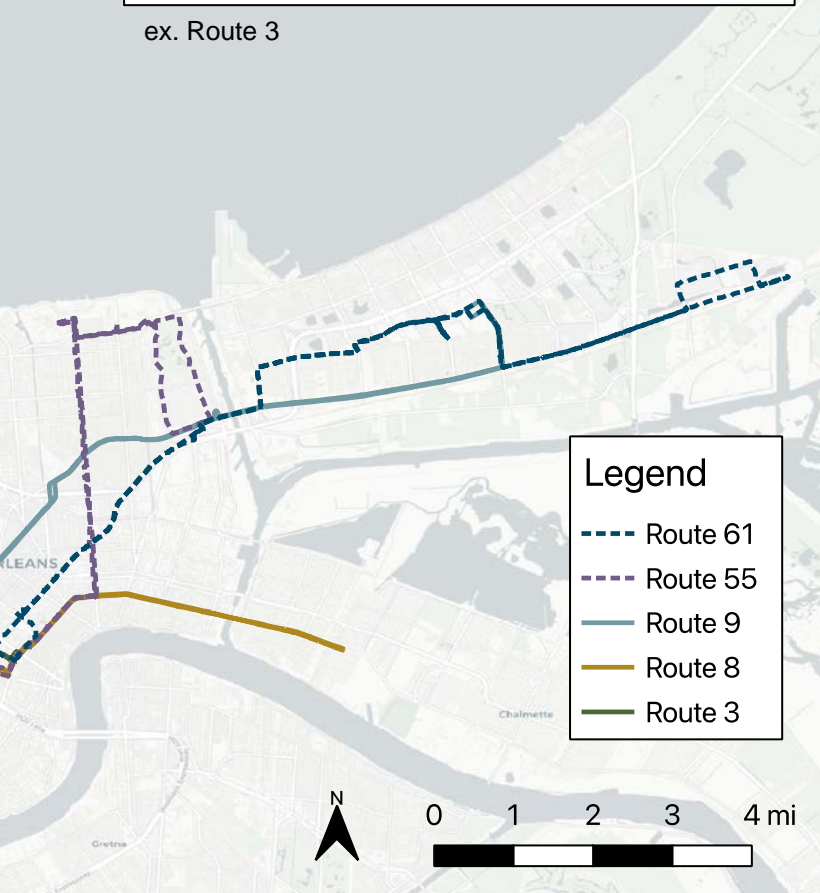
Key Milestones: Bus and Infrastructure Commissioning, Ribbon Cutting, Buses in Revenue Service, Workforce Development curriculum/program initiation, Performance Reporting

Route Modeling

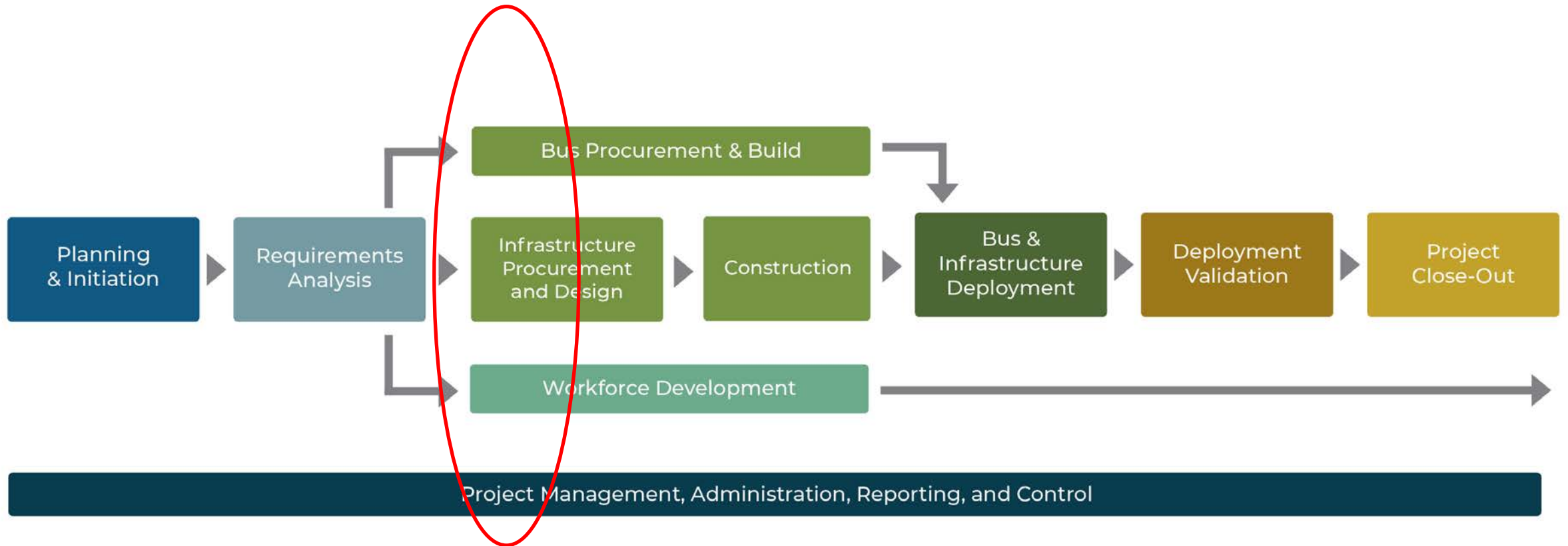
November 2024 – January 2025



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Next Steps





Open Projects: Plans/Studies

Plan/Study	Scope	Status	Budget	Funding Source
Universal Accessibility Study	Roadmap for access to all RTA services regardless of ability, implementation plan and evaluation framework	Standing up Advisory Committee	\$250,000	Local (Operating)
Lo/No Implementation Planning	1) Evaluate program delivery options 2) Develop future fleet facility plan	Task 1 Complete Task 2 draft sent	\$180,000	Local (Operating)
Transit Stop Inventory Update & Assessment	Update transit stops inventory and ADA compliance; develop improvement program;	Piloting survey w/ range of stop types	\$600,000	Local (Operating)



Open Projects: In Procurement

Name	Number	Solicitation	Status	Budget
Fare Modernization Initiative Consultant	2022-IT-02	RFQ for service related to: fare modernization plan; technology procurement; support implementation	Re-solicit underway	NTE \$876,000
Climate-Adaptive Transit Shelter Design Services	2023-FA-04	RFQ for service related to: design and prototype Better Bus Stop shelter;	RFQ Closed: 12/19 Selection Cmte: 4/7 Board Action: May	NTE \$650,000
Streetcar System Modernization Master Plan	2025-PS-01	RFQ for services related to: streetcar system existing conditions; roadmap for accessibility, technology, fleet	RFQ Closed: 3/21 Selection Cmte: TBD Board Action: May	\$1,000,000



Open Projects: In Development

Name	Number	Scope	Status	Budget
Carrollton Double Crossover Replacement	2019-FG-01	Installation of special trackwork at end of St Charles streetcar	Re-bid for April 2025	\$2,000,000
All Stops Accessible, St Charles Streetcar	2023-FL-04	Upgrade 40 streetcar stops for ADA-compliance	Design RTP (On-call) release 4/2025	\$6.9 million (total project)
Program Management Services (BRT + CIP)	n/a	PM/CM Support for Capital Program	Finalizing funding Release 4/2025	On-call
Downtown Transit Center	2015-FA-01	100% Design	RFQ release 5/2025	\$33 million (total project)
BRT East-West Bank Corridor	2021-FG-01	30% Design and environmental	RFQ Release 4/2025	NTE \$4 million



Grants / Funding Request

Grant Program	Funding Request	Status	Federal Amount Awarded	Scope Request
Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Pilot Program	\$950,000 Fed	Awarded	Full amount	Develop TOD land-use regulations, station area plans and opportunity sites along BRT



Questions?



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9. Procurements

A. Authorizations:

Pest Control Services	25-033
FY 2025 Trapeze Software Support	25-040
Carrollton Wheel Press Upgrade	25-042

B. Ratifications:

Authorize to ratify contract award to Ron Turley Fleet Management System	25-041
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10. New Business



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11. Audience Questions & Comments



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12. Adjournment